



STATE-TRIBAL COLLABORATION ACT 2020 AGENCY REPORT

NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (NMDOT)

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I. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT) has maintained a proactive government-to-government working relationship with state tribal entities, addressing the tribes' specific needs and concerns relative to transportation. NMDOT strives to be a national leader in developing these relationships on all matters of transportation in a consultative manner that is respectful of each tribe's culture and traditions, and to ensure compliance with the federal tribal coordination requirements. New Mexico is one of a small number of states that actively support, promote and encourage tribal participation and involvement in the Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) and Regional Transportation Planning Organizations (RTPOs) statewide transportation planning processes. In addition, the NMDOT Tribal Coordinating Committee (TCC) reconvened to coordinate a planning committee to plan and facilitate a Safety Summit held at the Institute of American Indian Arts, Santa Fe, New Mexico, as a highlight of the 2020 activity, as well as being active in other selected statewide committees involved in assisting with updating of the Statewide Transportation Plan.

Michael R. Sandoval, NMDOT Cabinet Secretary, continues to fulfill the commitment of the government-to-government working relationships with tribal governments. Several tribal leaders requested to meet with him on an individual bases to address specific issues, i.e. Right of Ways, Project Developments within tribal boundaries and especially providing an opportunity for funding through the Local Transportation Project Fund. Which in turn sets the standard for a safe, reliable and efficient transportation system for the traveling public onto the tribal lands, while promoting tribal economic development. Secretary Sandoval has assigned Mr. Ron D. Shutiva, Tribal Liaison, as a key executive administrative staff member to participate in the Departmental Administration, which has continued with the commitment of the principle partnership with tribal governments by recognizing, respecting and supporting the unique sovereign status of the tribes, nations and pueblos of New Mexico. Mr. Shutiva pro-actively conducts outreach, mediating misunderstandings between tribal entities and the Department to address their tribal transportation concerns and needs. NMDOT has built a close working relationships with the tribal entities based on Mr. Shutiva' s experience and accountability as a former Tribal Governor for the Pueblo of Acoma.

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NMDOT, with the leadership of Secretary Sandoval, has assisted the tribal entities during this COVID-19 pandemic by providing Reader Boards to announce the closure of the tribal communities, especially to inform the tourist wanting to visit the tribal communities. In addition, even delivering of water for one of the tribal entity's livestock. Along with the coordination of other state agencies for the delivery of the much needed PPE supplies and materials, food and water.

II. AGENCY OVERVIEW / BACKGROUND

The NMDOT continues to articulate its 2040 Plan vision as *“A safe and sustainable multimodal transportation system that supports a robust economy, fosters healthy communities and protects New Mexico’s environment and unique cultural heritage.”* The Department’s goals are as follow:

1. Operate with Transparency and Accountability
2. Improve Safety and Public Health for All System Users
3. Preserve and Maintain Our Transportation Assets for the Long Term
4. Provide Multimodal Access and Connectivity for Community Prosperity
5. Respect New Mexico’s Cultures, Environment, History and Quality of Life

III. AGENCY EFFORTS TO IMPLEMENT POLICY

Former NMDOT Cabinet Secretary, Gary Giron, formally signed and adopted the State-Tribal Consultation, Collaboration and Communication Policy on December 18, 2009, and since that time:

- NMDOT has continued its commitment to the principle of partnership with tribal governments. NMDOT recognizes respects and supports the unique sovereign status of the tribes and pueblos in New Mexico.
- In accordance with the provisions of the State Tribal Collaboration Act (STCA) on partnership with tribal governments, NMDOT has, with the assistance of its Tribal Liaison, Ron D. Shutiva, pro-actively consulted with the tribal entities in addressing their transportation concerns and needs.

IV. CURRENT AND PLANNED PROGRAMS AND SERVICES FOR AMERICAN INDIANS/ALASKA NATIVES

The following is a listing of current programs and services that NMDOT provides to tribal entities as part of the statewide transportation-planning program:

Multimodal Planning and Programs Bureau

The Multimodal Planning and Programs Bureau (MPPB) is charged with developing the statewide long range multimodal transportation plan called the New Mexico 2040 Plan (or simply, 2040 Plan), the State Freight Plan, NMDOT’s Public Involvement Plan (PIP) and the Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP). The Bureau ensures compliance with federal and state planning regulations for Metropolitan Planning

Organizations (MPOs) and, for the non-metropolitan consultation process, through working with Regional Transportation Planning Organizations (RTPOs). The Bureau oversees the Bicycle/Pedestrian/Equestrian (BPE) Program, Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP), Recreational Trails Program (RTP), and Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP), as well as projects previously funded through the Safe Routes to School and Scenic Byways programs. The Bureau's activities and projects are included in the Planning Division's [Planning Work Program](#).

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SECTIONS AND PROGRAMS

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- [Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program](#)
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- [Local Technical Assistance Program](#)

RELATED BUREAUS AND RESOURCES

- [Planning Division webpage](#)
- [Data Management Bureau webpage](#)
- [Research Bureau webpage](#)
- [Traffic Safety Bureau webpage](#)
- [Statewide Transportation Improvement Program \(STIP\)](#)
- [Scenic Byways maps](#)

Other Support Documents

- [Public Involvement Plan \(PIP\)](#) (8.8 mb) and [Appendix: Stakeholder and Public Outreach](#)
- [Local Government Road Fund Project Handbook](#)
- [State Functional Classification Map](#) (Dynamic online map; [PDF](#), 7 mb; [Google Earth KMZ](#), 5 mb)
- [MOU Between NMDOT, NM MainStreet, and NM Historic Preservation Division](#)
- [RTPO/MPO Work Plan Amendment Form](#)

Government to Government Unit

The Multimodal Planning and Programs Bureau's Government to Government (GTG) Unit monitors state and federal legislation pertaining to transportation appropriations and policies; conducts research into national Best Practices related to state transportation planning programs; develops and oversees implementation of the 2040 Plan and the Public Involvement Plan (PIP); provides technical assistance,

including transportation modeling and analysis, to other planning efforts initiated by the Department; coordinates local involvement in the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP); manages the Transportation Alternatives, Recreational Trails , Bicycle/Pedestrian and Equestrian, Tribal Outreach, Safe Routes To School, and Scenic Byways programs.

The GTG Unit administers contracts for seven RTPO and five MPOs, and works closely with NMDOT's District Offices, STIP Unit, Design Regions and other Divisions to ensure proactive enforcement of state and federal laws.

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RELATED LINKS

- [Tribal/Local Public Agency \(T/LPA\) Resources webpage](#)
- [Planning Procedures Manual](#)

MPO and RTPO Liaisons

Planning staff also serve as liaisons to New Mexico's Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) and Regional Transportation Planning Organizations (RTPOs).

MPOs

Section 112 of the Federal Highway Act of 1973 and subsequent federal transportation legislation require that Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) conduct comprehensive transportation planning for metropolitan areas with populations of 50,000 or more. Federal law requires MPOs to develop Transportation Improvement Programs (TIPs) and long-range transportation plans. New Mexico has five MPOs:

- Farmington ([FMPO](#))
- Santa Fe ([SFMPO](#))
- Albuquerque area (Mid-Region, [MRMPO](#))
- Las Cruces (Mesilla Valley, [MVMPO](#))
- El Paso MPO ([EPMPO](#)) spans the New Mexico/Texas border to cover the City of Sunland Park in New Mexico; as such, NMDOT coordinates with EPMPO for activities in this region.

RTPOs

Regional Transportation Planning Organizations are state-designated entities that orchestrate rural transportation planning, covering regions outside of MPO boundaries. New Mexico has seven RTPOs:

- Northwest ([NWRTPO](#))
- Northern Pueblos ([NPRTPO](#))
- Northeast ([NERTPO](#))
- Mid-Region ([MRRTPO](#))
- Southeast ([SERTPO](#))
- South Central ([SCRTPO](#))

- Southwest ([SWRTPO](#))

Each RTPO is comprised of a Policy Committee and a Technical Committee, though some RTPOs join these committees. RTPO Policy Committee members represent the governmental entities that comprise the RTPO and are authorized to make decisions on their behalf. Technical Committee members are professional staff who provide technical expertise to the transportation planning process.

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RELATED LINKS

- [MPO/RTPO Contact List](#)
- [Upcoming RTPO Meetings](#)

Native American Tribal Liaison

The purpose of Tribal Liaison at NMDOT is to maintain the government-to-government relationships outlined in [New Mexico's State-Tribal Collaboration Act](#) and to assure compliance with the federal tribal coordination requirements. The NMDOT increased its participation and partnership with tribal governments significantly since 2004 through completing Memoranda of Agreements (MOAs) and Joint Powers Agreements (JPAs) with all of the pueblos and tribal nations in the State. In addition, New Mexico is one of a small number of states that support and encourage tribal participation in the MPO and RTPO State transportation planning processes. The NMDOT Tribal Liaison is proactive in conducting outreach, mediating misunderstandings between tribal entities and the NMDOT and building close relationships based on experience and accountability.

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RELATED LINKS

- [Tribal Lands Map](#)
- [Tribal Leader Contact List](#)

Bicycle, Pedestrian and Equestrian Coordinator

The Bicycle, Pedestrian and Equestrian (BPE) Coordinator serves as a resource for NMDOT staff on BPE-related issues. The Coordinator also provides residents and visitors with information on cycling through New Mexico.

The Prioritized Statewide Bicycle Network Plan (NM Bike Plan), adopted by NMDOT in December 2018, is a long-range infrastructure plan that identifies which NMDOT owned and maintained roadways are desirable for bicycle infrastructure investment through the establishment of a statewide priority network, as called for in the 2040 Plan. The plan provides design guidelines to inform the implementation of bikeways along the priority network during major roadway rehabilitation or reconstruction. The NM Bike Plan and Appendix is available to view/download as a PDF from the related links to the right.

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RELATED LINKS

- [NM Bike Plan \(13.5 mb\)](#)
- [NM Bike Plan Appendix \(6 mb\)](#)
- [Bicycle Safety brochure \(English\)](#)
- [Bicycle Safety brochure \(Spanish\)](#)
- [Equestrian Safety brochure](#)
- [Pedestrian Safety brochure \(English\)](#)
- [Pedestrian Safety brochure \(Spanish\)](#)
- [NMDOT EDC4 Safe Transportation for Every Pedestrian Report](#)

Bicycle Map Links:

- [State Bicycle Guideline Map](#) (Interactive online map; [two-sided PDF](#), 12.4 mb)
- [Albuquerque city bike map](#)
- [Farmington city bike map](#)
- [Las Cruces city bike map](#) (4.5 mb PDF, two sided)
- [Rio Rancho city bike map \(north side\)](#)
- [Rio Rancho city bike map \(south side\)](#)
- [Santa Fe city bike map](#) (7.36 mb PDF)

Active Transportation and Recreational Programs

The New Mexico Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) is a Federal reimbursement program authorized through the FAST Act as part of the new Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Program. TAP funds can generally be used for bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure and activities, in addition to other projects, as outlined in the NM Active Transportation and Recreational Programs

Guide. Each state's department of transportation administers the program using its own competitive process, in accordance with the law. Approximately every two years, NMDOT coordinates with the state's seven RTPOs and five MPOs on soliciting TAP applications. The most current NM Active Transportation and Recreational Programs Guide can be downloaded to the right.

TAP Annual Reports

- [FFY 2014-15 TAP Annual Report](#)
- [FFY 2016 TAP Annual Report](#)
- [FFY 2017 TAP Annual Report](#)

Recreational Trails Program

The Recreational Trails Program (RTP) is a Federal reimbursement program and provides funding to eligible entities within New Mexico to develop and maintain recreational trails and trail-related facilities for both non-motorized and motorized uses. These Federal funds benefit recreationists who enjoy hiking, bicycling, in-line skating, equestrianism, cross-country skiing, snowmobiling, off-road motorcycling, all-terrain vehicle riding, and off-road four-wheel driving. NMDOT is pleased to provide access to funding for quality, diverse recreational trail projects that will improve New Mexicans' quality of life all across the state. The most current NMDOT Active Transportation and Recreational Programs can be downloaded below.

RTP Annual Reports

- [FFY 2014-15 RTP Annual Report](#)
- [FFY 2016 RTP Annual Report](#)
- [FFY 2017 RTP Annual Report](#)

Active Transportation Programs Federal Fiscal Year 2020+ Call for Projects Report

This report covers the recent statewide call for projects for three federally funded active transportation programs: the TAP, RTP and Congestion Mitigation & Air Quality Improvement (CMAQ). Managed by the NMDOT Multimodal Planning and Programs Bureau, these programs fund bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure, construction and maintenance of recreational trails, and planning and infrastructure projects that reduce congestion and improve air quality around the state.

- [2020+ Call for Projects Report](#)

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RELATED LINKS

- [NMDOT Active Transportation and Recreational Programs Guide](#)
- [TAP/RTP Application Form \(Fillable\)](#)
- [TAP/RTP Sample Programmatic Grant Agreement](#)

- [TAP/RTP Sample Resolution of Sponsorship](#)
- [Project Feasibility Form \(PFF\)](#)
- [Project Prospectus Form \(PPF\)](#)
- [Bicycle Count Program Guide](#)
- [Bicycle Count Program Application](#)

Highway Safety Improvement Program

The goal of the federally-funded Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) as authorized in the FAST Act is to achieve a significant reduction in traffic fatalities and serious injuries on all public roads, including non-State-owned public roads and roads on tribal lands. The HSIP requires a data-driven, strategic approach to improving highway safety on all public roads that focuses on performance. Approximately \$22 million is available to the NMDOT per federal fiscal year. Eligible entities include NMDOT Districts, and Tribal and Local Public Agencies (T/LPAs). Application information is distributed by the NMDOT through the MPOs and RTPOs. The funds are also programmed through the MPO/RTPO planning process and distributed through Cooperative Agreements with the T/LPAs.

New Mexico DOT's HSIP is guided by the Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP), a statewide, comprehensive effort to reduce fatalities and incapacitating (serious) injuries on New Mexico's roadways for all modes and users (motorists, pedestrians, bicyclists, and other transportation users). The 2016 NM Strategic Highway Safety Plan is available to view/download as a PDF (22 MB) from the related links to the right.

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RELATED LINKS

- [2016 Strategic Highway Safety Plan](#)
- [FFY2018 HSIP Safety Targets](#)

Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program

The Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement (CMAQ) Program provides a flexible funding source to the State and T/LPAs for transportation projects and programs that help meet the requirements of the Clean Air Act. **Mandatory CMAQ** funding is made available to areas that do not meet the National Ambient Air Quality Standards for ozone, carbon monoxide, or particulate matter (for nonattainment areas) and for former nonattainment areas that are now in the early years of compliance (maintenance areas). **Non-mandatory CMAQ** funding is administered by NMDOT and is available statewide for projects and programs that improve air quality and reduce congestion. The most current CMAQ program guide outlines the process for applying for funds, identifies eligible entities, and lists eligible projects from the NMDOT **non-mandatory CMAQ** apportionment and can be downloaded to the right. Approximately every two years, NMDOT coordinates with the state's seven RTPOs and five MPOs on soliciting CMAQ applications.

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RELATED LINKS

- [NMDOT CMAQ Program Guide](#)
 - [Program Guide Supplement](#)
- [CMAQ Application Form \(Fillable\)](#)

Technical and Freight Planning

The Technical and Freight Planning (T&FP) Unit manages freight planning efforts, including maintaining and guiding implementation of the New Mexico State Freight Plan, and coordinates with freight partners within the state as well as external partners; maintains roadway classification systems, including the Functional Classification System, National Highway System (NHS), and freight-specific classifications; provides technical support, including maintenance of the New Mexico Statewide Travel Demand Model (NMSTDM).

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Local Technical Assistance Program

The New Mexico Local Technical Assistance Program (LTAP) Center provides local and tribal agencies with a variety of adaptable tools—training events, technology transfer resources, and personalized on-site heavy equipment training—to improve their transportation operations. NM LTAP does not provide engineering services, but does offer proven solutions to many transportation problems.

What Services does NMLTAP Provide?

- Information regarding transportation issues
- Conduct Training based on local or tribal needs
 - Worker/Work Place Safety,
 - Workforce Development,
 - Highway Safety, and
 - Infrastructure Management
- Assistance, referrals, or information through on-site, telephone, or email consultation

If you have any questions regarding eligibility or need additional information please contact the UNM NMLTAP center.

New Mexico LTAP Center
[UNM NMLTAP resources and information](#)
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Data Management Bureau

The Data Management Bureau is part of the Planning Division, and provides planning and engineering data to NMDOT staff, FHWA, government, businesses, and the public. The Data Management Bureau oversees the Traffic Monitoring Program and the Roadway Inventory Program.

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Traffic Monitoring Program

NMDOT relies on accurate and quality traffic data to support its planning, engineering and operation activities. Traffic Monitoring is responsible for programming, collecting, analyzing and reporting traffic monitoring data for FHWA's Functional Classes 1 thru 6 urban in New Mexico. We are also participating in a pilot project to estimate Functional Classes 6 rural and 7. NMDOT collects traffic data internally, by contract, and in partnership with local entities in New Mexico. The Traffic Monitoring Program is responsible for ensuring all traffic counts collected and shared with NMDOT meet our quality standards. Traffic monitoring data includes vehicle volume, vehicle classification, vehicle speed and vehicle weight. Data is collected using manual counts, portable counters (road tube and radar) and permanent counters (Continuous Count Stations (CCS) and Weigh-in Motion (WIM) stations).

The following Products & Services are managed, maintained and updated by the Traffic Monitoring section:

- Annual Average Daily Traffic (AADT)
- Annual Average Daily Truck Traffic (AADTT)
- Future AADT
- Annual Adjustment Factors
- Annual Comparisons by Functional Classification
- Axle Correction Factors
- Daily Vehicle Miles Traveled Reports
- FHWA Vehicle Classification Scheme F Report
- Hourly Percentage by Vehicle Type
- K&D Factors
- Seasonal Adjustment Factors

Please submit all traffic count inquiries to: Traffic.Monitoring@state.nm.us

[Traffic Monitoring Data Request Form](#) - For best results use Internet Explorer (IE) or right-click and save.

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RELATED LINKS

- [CCS and WIM Map](#)
- [CCS Map Site Reference](#)
- [2017 State Traffic Monitoring Standards](#)
- [Annual Average Daily Truck Traffic \(AADTT\) on State Owned and Maintained Roads](#)
- [AADTT Map \(2017\) \[5.8mb\]](#)
- [Annual Average Daily Traffic \(AADT\) On State Owned and Maintained Roads \[14mb\]](#)
- [Acronyms and Definitions](#)

Roadway Inventory Program

The Roadway Inventory Program maintains road inventory database, produces HPMS report.

Posted Routes - Legal Descriptions

- [Business Loops](#)
- [FL Routes](#)
- [Frontage Routes](#)
- [Interstate](#)
- [NM Routes](#)
- [US Routes](#)

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Other NMDOT Programs and Services

Research Library - The Library's mission is to provide information, materials and resources that support the mission, programs, and research of the New Mexico Department of Transportation. The Library supports these programs by acquiring, organizing, managing and preserving the information in its own collections, and offering supportive reference services to the employees of NMDOT, local agencies, federal agencies, US independent nations, contractors and the public.

North/Central/South Regional Design Centers – Provides assistance with project design and development of Roadway Construction plans.

Drainage Design – Provides assistance for design of erosion protection structures and permitting for EPA Clean Water Act.

Bridge Design – Provides assistance with structural design services.

Pavement Design – Provides assistance with recommendations for pavement and material designs.

Survey and Lands Engineering – Provides assistance with conducting field surveying and acquiring Right of Way verification.

Transit and Rail Division – Conducts and participates in transit and rail planning activities, administers Federal Transit Administration (FTA) grant funds for all rural and small urban transit grants, provides technical assistance and coordination efforts to public and private non-profit transit operators and provides services in all areas of railway operations and concerns.

Traffic Safety Division – Provides Driving While Intoxicated (DWI) programs, including enforcement, media and prevention; occupant protection, such as seatbelt enforcement, media campaigns and car seat clinics; driver education for teens, driver safety and DWI school; pedestrian programs; traffic records and crash data; publications, including newsletters, brochures, and outreach materials. Tribal entities can request crash data from the [University of New Mexico Geospatial and Population Studies Traffic Research Unit](#).

Aviation – Coordinates with all public and private agencies and organizations, state, local, tribal and federal, to encourage the advancement of aviation in the state. Aviation also supports and encourages air services to smaller communities within the State through the Air Service Assistance Program.

V. NMDOT TRIBAL LIAISON ACTIVITIES AND TRIBAL TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS

NMDOT Tribal Liaison Activities and Projects

The following section outlines the activities and projects the NMDOT Tribal Liaison was involved in over the past year, including those NMDOT, FHWA, and other State/Federal agency planning initiatives affecting tribes.

1. **NMDOT-Tribal Safety Summit** - NMDOT Tribal Coordinating Committee (TCC) reconvened to coordinate a planning committee to plan and facilitate a Safety Summit. The 2019 New Mexico Tribal Transportation Safety Summit Committee held a two-day event on November 21-22, 2019 at the Institute of American Indian Arts (IAIA) located at 83 A Van Nu Po Road, Santa Fe, New Mexico. The event was held in conjunction to provide input with the 2015 New Mexico Strategic Highway Safety Plan that was tasked to create the New Mexico State Safety Plan (SSP) and an update is taken place in 2020/21 with the need for tribal input.
2. **Local Government Transportation Project Fund** – Secretary Sandoval had expressed that there is a need for safety and improvements on roads across New Mexico, not just the ones that belong to the state. Everyone deserves to get to their destination as safely and efficiently as possible be it on state, county, city or tribal roads. In addition, State Transportation Commission approved the funding for the much-needed dollars out to rural communities, along with the commitment of building strong relations with local and tribal governments to help improve their transportation infrastructure with the legislative appropriation. The following tribal entities received such assistance with 95% state funding and a 5% local match:

Acoma Pueblo- SP 130 Veterans Boulevard Road Roadway Project - State Funds \$1,136,911.55, Tribal Match - \$59,837.45, Total Funding - \$1,196,749.00; Laguna Pueblo- I-40 Concrete Box Underpass Project - State Funds \$1,900,000.00, Tribal Match - \$100,000.00, Total Funding - \$2,000,000.00; Jemez Pueblo- NM 4 Traffic Communing Project - State Funds \$21,028.25, Tribal Match \$1,106.75, Total Funding - \$22,135.00; Zia Pueblo- Jemez River Bridge Project; Santa Pueblo- Eagle Estates Road- Roadway Reconstruction – State Funds \$746,031.20, Tribal Match \$39,264.80, Total Funding - \$785,296.00; Mescalero Apache Nation- White Mountain Drive Project - State Funds \$2,253,611.85, Tribal Match - \$118,611.15, Total Funding - \$2,372,223.00; Navajo Nation – Baaahaali Chapter/Transfer Station Access Road Improvement Project - State Funds \$281,437.00, Tribal Match - \$14,813.00, Total Funding - \$296,250.00; Bahastl’ah Chapter/Roadway Safety Audit - State Funds \$142,500.00, Tribal Match - \$7,500.00, Total Funding - \$150,000.00; Mexican Springs Chapter/NR 30 & US 491 Safety Audit - State Funds \$19,000.00, Tribal Match - \$1,000.00, Total Funding - \$20,000.00; Tohatchi Chapter/Road Safety Audit - State Funds \$71,250.00, Tribal Match - \$3,750.00, Total Funding - \$75,000.00

3. **Jicarilla Apache Nation** - NMDOT D-5 - NM 537 Reconstruction Project programmed for the year 2020- 2021. Project will consist of reconstruction and adding shoulders from milepost 24 to milepost 55, using a combination of STP Rural funding (\$27.5 million) and Road Funds (\$4.7 million).
4. **Jemez Pueblo** - NM 4 Bypass Project - Previous development efforts concluded Oct. 2011; currently NMDOT has contracted HDR for further development of the design for the NM 4 bypass project.
5. **Santa Ana Pueblo, New Private Railroad Crossing** – Coordinated requisition approval for payment by the Pueblo and construction of railroad crossing is completed.
6. **Ohkay Owingeh Pueblo** – Intersection of NM 74/Popay Avenue – Secretary Sandoval and Governor Ron Lovato meet with staff of both entities to come to terms with this project with the comment from the Secretary’s office of dictating \$600,000.00 toward the design and construction of the project to be included in the 2021 STIP.
7. **Mescalero Apache Tribe & NMDOT Transportation**– Coordinated a meeting with Mescalero Tribal President’s Office, Secretary Sandoval, Tim Parker, DE, NMDOT D-2 and appropriate staff members to establish a Gov’t to Gov’t quarterly coordination meeting to address common issues.
8. **Jemez Pueblo - NM 4 Multi-use Pedestrian Trail Project** - Rec Trails Program (RTP) Funding - \$462,000 Agency 85.44% - \$394,733 POJ Match 14.56% - \$67,267 Congestion Mitigation/Air Quality (CMAQ) Funding - \$30,000 Agency 85.44% - \$25,632 POJ Match 14.56% - \$4,368. Pueblo selected Wilson & Company, Inc. to perform preliminary engineering services for the project.
9. **Pre-Negotiation Stakeholders’ Meeting** - CN 5101380, US 491 and US 64 Phase IA-C, Shiprock to Colorado State Line - Project overview was provided with the following concerns for the project; NMDOT Study Procedures and NEPA Process; Propose Separate documents for Existing Conditions Report; Field Survey & Aerial Mapping; Preliminary Geotechnical Investigations; Category Exclusion; Utilities and Public Outreach.

10. **Ohkay Owingeh ROW Agreement Request** – Request for a blanket agreement to include all state owned road and by-ways through the tribal lands, especially for those roadways that do not have any current documentations. Survey work is currently underway to establish and redefine the ROWs.
11. **Shiprock Educational Corridor CN-5100821 US64-491 Phase IA-B** – Project moved to outer years on the STIP. Pre-Final Phase IA/B Report reviewed and finalized to be send to FHWA for concurrence.
12. **Buffalo Springs Patrol Yard Lease Agreement** – Navajo Nation and NMDOT Lease has been expired for quit sometime, therefore there is a need for a renewal. Discussion with the Navajo Land Department staff has led to a working relationship to understand the process of obtaining such a Lease. The staffs of both entities are working together to streamline the process of writing, reviewing, meeting requirements and obtaining signatures for the approval by the Navajo Nation Legislative Council. [Update](#) -This project is lacking a response from the Navajo Land Development Department staff; therefore, it is still on going until a recite of a formal response.
13. **US 491 Road Safety Audit** - Naschitti, Sheep Springs, and Newcomb, Navajo Chapters. The audit was complete with a report published and it is up to the project owner and the NNDOT/NMDOT design team to response to the findings of the audit report. The response needs to outline what actions the project owner or design team will take related to each safety concern listed in the audit report.
14. **NM 118 Rock Fall** – On July 31, 2019, boulders and rocks fell from the lands above NM 118 near milepost 4.5. The boulders closed the roadway to thru traffic. Environmental and archeological surveys were conducted with the draft documents scheduled to be sent to Navajo Nation for their review. Once approval has been received, scaling operations to remove loose overburden materials from the slope above NM 118 will begin. The boulders and rock debris on NM 118 will be removed as part of the scaling operations.
15. **I-40 Median Barrier Project CN-6101180 & 81/Laguna Pueblo**. The project objective is to improve driver safety and reduce roadway maintenance efforts and cost. Project needs to address the existing curves, which attributes to the number of crashes, and these crashes often extends into the opposite travel lanes that increases crash severity. The number of crashes results in frequent repairs to the median cable barriers, which also disrupts traffic during repairs. In addition, rock falls and erosion within the immediate area from steep slopes require on-going maintenance. [Update](#) - An amendment to this project is to address additional road conditions i.e. extending the termini of the scope work to include resurfacing of pavement from MM 112 to MM 114 on I 40; realigning the on/off ramps at exit 114; resurfacing the bridge deck at exit 114; and replacing the median cable barriers with concert barriers.
16. **Laguna Pueblo and NMDOT - Exit 108 Interchange Study** – Workgroup have been meeting to address the following elements of the project i.e. Scope of Work; Summary of existing conditions; Traffic and Transportation Analysis; Safety Analysis; Statement of Purpose/Need and Alternatives Analysis for the project, which is still an active project.

17. **Isleta Pueblo TWLTL Project A301242 (formerly A300511) NM47** – Workgroup conducted a PS&E Review - for incorporation of the final Production submittal plans and contract book. Project intent is for Roadway Widening to build widened paved surface to address the safety improvements of three segments of NM 47, project is ongoing.
18. **19-137-01 Solar Project NN NDOT Street Lights** – Assisted Navajo Nation DOT's consultant to acquire the NMDOT standards for Road Light Pole base foundations and the excepted P.S.I. for the concrete mix used for the foundation.
19. **Isleta Pueblo - Issue 6594: Tribal Rd. MP 917.11 Cross Bucks Missing** – Assisted to alert the Pueblo with vandalism that had happened on the railroad tracks within the tribal boundaries. Whereby someone had cut down the safety protection signs (Cross Bucks) and removed stop signs. This is a serious matter for the protection of the public and that our department replaced these signs.
20. **County Road 55/Johnson Road Improvements** – Base course was been applied to the 6.2 miles road surface along with the chip sealing. [Update](#) -This project is complete.
21. **NM 118 Drainage Analysis Study** - An ongoing project and any future developments to be provided to the Zuni Pueblo. [Update](#) - NM 118 Drainage Analysis Study Project Team has not been successful on bring together the Navajo Nation Stakeholders. The Nation needs to provide input as to the impacts that it would have relative to any economic development, land use and/or community development within the study area. Team scheduled a future virtual session during this pandemic period.
22. **Laguna Pueblo/NM 124 Road Diet, Roundabout to NM 279 Project** - A modification to the current design suggested for the pedestrian path to utilize NM 124 from NM 279 to old Rte. 66, then divert to old Rte. 66 or other local streets to Rio San Jose Rd. Which in turn will place the pedestrians and bicyclist back on NM 124 from Rio San Jose Rd to the roundabout. The project is in the STIP with a new control number (6100764). There is \$150,000 programmed for design and \$1,300,000 programmed for construction in FY 2020.
23. **CN 6101091 - NM 53 Zuni Pueblo** – Project in design to address drainage improvements, replacement of culverts, and retention pond for control of settlements. Gov't-to-Gov't sessions entailed discussions with the tribal administration for their input and address a request for additional ROW.
24. **Enhancing Tribal Mobility in San Juan County** – US 654 Highway Rehabilitation and Safety Improvements. San Juan Chapter Bridge project connecting N36 to Hwy 64 near Hogback. The feasibility studies completed by contractor, Wilson & Company. This project would involve coordination with NMDOT and NM State Representative, Anthony Allison and other State Legislatures to obtain additional funding for preliminary engineering studies and clearances and design.
25. **NM 68 - US 64 Project** - Taos Pueblo has expressed additional concerns relative to the ROW to the northern segment of the project to be addressed by both FHWA NM Regional Office and the Bureau

of Indian Affairs (BIA) SW Regional Office. **Update** - Construction is continuing NM 68-US 64 Roadway Project on Paseo del Pueblo from La Posta Road north to Camino de la Placita in Taos. Construction is to last until late 2021.

26. **Cerrillos Road/2nd Street, Santa Fe, Intersection and Bus Pullout Project** - A new initiative has been identified by our current administration for a bigger project. NMDOT North Region Design Center is preparing an updated design for the project which will be presented to the Santa Fe Indian School (SFIS) Board of Trustees and the Shareholders (19 Pueblo Governors) of SFIS property for approval of additional right of way (ROW). **Update** - Conceptual designs have been proposed and other elements need to be addressed. Currently a study developed for a future project between St. Michaels Dr. to St. Francis Dr., which will address roadway improvements, ADA, drainage and signalization, which will include improvements to a new SFIS access and school's requests i.e. installing underground fiber optic, currently aerial; new access with acceleration and deceleration lanes to the access on the right hand shoulder. ROW acquisition process for final design is close to completion NMDOT will provide the SFIS and timeline for public meetings and presentation to the Governors. An official meeting will be coordinated with SFIS Superintendent Office to present proposed designs of the project.

27. **Santo Domingo Pueblo/NMDOT District 3** - Project updates:

- **Project A-301540 Segment 1- Update** - Project completed.
- **CN A-301542 30% Review - Santo Domingo Multi-Use Trail Segment 2 NM-1246-1806.** The project intent is to extend the multi-use trail west of the trading post and south to cross the Rio Metro NMDOT Railroad Tracks, ending at the turnout to the baseball field. Updates of the project including Project limits; Typical sections; Right-of-Way activities; Funding; Survey; Trail Alignment & design; Utility coordination; T/LPA coordination & workflow; Environmental; Drainage; Supplemental design work and Supplemental Geotechnical. Other items were the schedule of the project; preliminary construction cost estimates and the access to Pueblo lands to conduct fieldwork. Follow up on these issues will be addressed at the 60% Review.
- **Project A-301343 - NM 22 BIA 88** - Central Region Design negotiated a consultant contract with Parametrix. The project is located within Santo Domingo Pueblo. The project is for the replacement of an existing concrete box culvert bridge and improvement of the intersection. Once the Notice to Proceed is officially issued to Parametrix, D-3 will be seeking coordination efforts with the Santo Domingo Pueblo Tribal Government for a "kick-off" meeting.

28. **NMDOT/North Region Design (NRD) - NM 30 Phase II Project** - Santa Clara Pueblo Tribal Council – NMDOT North Region Design staff provided an update presentation and overview. Main concern being the transition point of the 2 lane into the 4 lane, with the request for it to be further south from the proposed location to address the issues of providing physical, operational, and safety improvements to help ensure NM 30 is safer, more efficient, and meets the needs of current and future users. The project addresses physical deficiencies, poor pavement condition, increasing traffic volumes, traffic congestion and unsafe driving conditions. In addition, our ROW bureau is waiting for Title Search Reviews of private holdings, from the BIA to enhance the project. Future updates to be provided at the 90% review status.

29. **CN 5100460 Drainage Improvements Project** - NMDOT NRD/Ohkay Owingeh Pueblo - Coordination needed between the Pueblo's drainage master plan prepared by USACE and NMDOT drainage improvements on NM 68, which detailed the existing drainage crossings of NM 68 within USACE study and also the drainage analysis conducted by NMDOT's Drainage Engineer Consultant. Tribe, our department and BIA are in the final review of the additional ROW needed for the overtures needed to address the improvements. [Update](#) – Project is on schedule.
30. **Gadiah Navajo Chapter DRAFT Plans Gadii'ahi N57A Double Chip Seal** – The plan set does not reference the specifications that are applicable to the project. Capital Appropriation Coop Agreement requires the entity (NDOT) to “be responsible for all current design practices and specifications”, which NMDOT District 5 believes are the 2019 NMDOT Standard Specifications and Standard Drawings. Because the typical section and plan/profile sheets shown in the plans requires N 57A to be constructed to the dimensions and grades shown, NMDOT believes the proposed scope of work is roadway reconstruction. NMDOT District 5 disagrees with the scope of work of placing base course and constructing a double chip seal over the base course as an option for roadway reconstruction. Therefore, NDOT needs to reconsider the project.
31. **Beclabito Navajo Chapter/NDOT** – Chapter is in the planning stage with NMDOT D-5 on a safety project on US 64 at MP 3.0-3.5 for street lighting.
32. **Apache Summit – Mescalero ITS System** - The main issue for the project is having power and communications connectivity to the Close Caption TV (CCTV) system, namely having the connection from the power source to the unit. A review with our General Counsel Office identified the need to acquire additional ROW due to the power source was outside of NMDOT ROW. Therefore, a reinstatement of this project is need for the safety of not only the Mescalero Apache Nation, but also the public. Other matters to be addressed including the cost for installation of the unit, operation & maintenance, the acquisition of the needed ROW, installation of a Roadway Weather Information System and the redetermination of the tribe's interest, along with entering into an internal governmental agreement for the O & M. A coordinated discussion among the stakeholders will enhance the project. [Update](#) – Follow up done currently Mescalero Apache Tribe are supportive of the CCTV at Apache Summit. NMDOT General Counsel reviewed Legal Description of the Project. Their opinion is that there no legal agreement was needed between NMDOT and Mescalero Apache Tribe. In support of the Tribal sovereignty, a letter of support from Mescalero Apache Tribe President and Tribal Council is pending. The goal is to have the CCTV operational by December 2020.
33. **Pueblo of San Ildefonso Cell Tower Project** - Pueblo needs to acquire an excess permit off our NM 502 ROW to construct their project and have excess for maintenance operations for the cell tower and water storage tanks. [Update](#) - Excess Driveway Permit is pending.

The NMDOT Tribal Liaison is also involved in the following significant tribal transportation projects currently underway:

- **Ohkay Owingeh Pueblo** – Acquisition of seven (7) Construction Maintenance Easement and two (2) Temporary Construction Permits parcels of tribal lands for project CN 5100460 Culvert Maintenance, easement agreement signed by Governor Lovato and Cabinet Secretary Sandoval.
- **NMDOT/CDOT - INFRA GRANT APPLICATION AND SURVEYS** -Colorado DOT and Ute Mountain applied for a grant under the INFRA program, would like to name the Navajo Nation as one of the joint applicants. NMDOT Tribal Liaison coordinated with NDOT for their participation. New Mexico, with the grant would use it to improve US 160 and NM 597, the access road connecting US 160 to the Four Corners Monument.
- **NMDOT D-6/Zia Pueblo** – Coordinated efforts to complete the Agreement package for the pueblo's CN LP60009.
- **Navajo DOT and Rep. Anthony Allison** – Provided an update on the 2020 Legislative proposal for the -Shiprock Patrol Yard project which was vetoed, by the Governor
- **Pueblo of San Ildefonso** – NM 30 Project Phase 3 continued coordinated efforts for the project i.e. Tribal project design needs and Feld Survey Permit for the consultant Bohannon Huston.
- **NMDOT Long Range Statewide Transportation Plan** – Participated as a work group member to review the draft Trends Report and draft Vision, Goals and Objectives updates.
- **NMDOT ROW Bureau and Santa Clara Pueblo** – Coordinated the efforts of the CN 5100441 Pueblo ROW Acquisition Status Update with the BIA
- **NMDOT Environment Department, Dulce - 38 Airport Road Project** - Assisted to identify NMDOT and Jicarilla Apache Nation stakeholders for this project.
- **MRMPO 2020 Orth Photography Project Flyover** – Assisted the MPO to identify and coordinate the tribes within the MRMPO service area that would have an interest to participate in the project.
- **UNM Transportation Engineering, Urban Planning Program** – Assisted a Graduate Student in acquiring data from Navajo Nation Chapters for a studio class referencing a land use plan.
- **Santa Clara Pueblo - Phase II Cultural Resource Coordination Mtg., CN 5100441** – Participated with the workgroup to review the revised draft copy of the environmental commitments and two Notices to Contractors regarding Descanso and cultural resource monitoring for the project.
- **NMDOT D-6/NDOT** – Assisted the district to identify the proper ownership of the tract of land that is adjacent to the project CN6101200 for the 90% plans review and coordinated with NDOT for their input.

- **Ohkay Owingeh Pueblo Old Bridge/SR 74** – Assisted the Pueblo to identify the proper division to provide the weight capacity of the bridge in order for NM Gas Company to replace a value underneath the bridge.
- **NMDOT D-6 Permission to Enter Navajo Tribal Lands form** – assisted to acquire permit to conduct Survey, Inspection and Examination of property along New Mexico Hwy 566, which crosses tribal property for the purpose of erosion mitigation, drainage analysis and design for erosion. The purpose of the form is to collect data for erosion mitigation, drainage study, analysis and design.
- **NMDOT Environment Department, Wildlife Corridors Action Plan** – Assisted with the coordination of a Tribal Involvement Meeting and hosting of such a meeting on tribal lands with departmental staff and tribal entities, which was postponed due to the COVID pandemic.
- **Isleta Pueblo/NMDOT D-3, NM 317 Striping** – Assisted Tribal staff and our NMDOT staff to coordinate a Gov't-to-Gov't session with the Isleta Tribal Leadership and Secretary Sandoval, along with staff at D-3, to address the issues of the pueblo relative to the project.
- **Coordination for South Valley ITS project (CN A300943)** Assist with the preparation of a Categorical Exclusion per NMDOT/FHWA guidance for an Intelligent Transportation System project that involves the installation of cable, vaults, pull boxes and cameras mounted on traffic lights along Rio Bravo Blvd, Dennis Chavez Blvd and 2nd Street. The project is federal funded and assisted to determine if tribal coordination is required for the project.
- **2020 Legislative Session HB 26** – Provided updates and changes to Local Government Transportation Project Fund name change to Transportation Project Fund and allowing Indian Nation, Tribe and Pueblo projects to be funded by the Transportation Project Fund, along with the request for support needed to fund transportation needs in rural/tribal communities.
- **NMDOT Data Management Bureau /Taos Pueblo** – Assisted with the coordination of conducting traffic counts in the Taos area and some of the counts within the Taos Pueblo.
- **Pueblo of Isleta - 202(a)9 Agreement** – Project (CN 301088) is programmed in FFY2022, therefore, transfer/obligate the funds cannot be done until then. NMDOT General Counsel and D3 staff are reviewing the transfer agreement for CN301088 but we wouldn't need to finalize that agreement until 2020
- **Pueblo of Jemez - 202(a)9 Agreement** - Jemez Pueblo interest in transferring project (CN 6101310), which is programmed in FFY2020, 2021, 2022 and 2023.
- **Navajo DOT/ADOT** – Provided information to NDOT to identify the proper NMDOT Division to address their concerns of conducting mobile weight station enforcement.

- **Navajo Nation** Intersection of US 64/N 5031 CN 5101120 **Update** – Moved to outer year June 2022 on the STIP, NMDOT NRD designing the process to determine the project Scope of Work.
- **Navajo Nation** Shiprock Educational Corridor CN-5100821 **Update** – Moved to outer years on the 2020 STIP with the need of additional ROW.
- **Santa Clara Pueblo** – NM 30 Phase I Project **Update** – Project is complete.
- **Isleta Pueblo** Project A300081/A300082 – R/W realignment **Update** – Currently underway with surveying activity.
- **Ohkay Owingeh Pueblo** – RSA Intersection of NM 68/Popay Avenue **Update** – Project incorporated into another project Scope of Work.
- **San Ildefonso Pueblo** – NM 4/White Rock Project **Update** - Currently under discussion need complication of Phase A/B study, in order, to request Temporary Construction Easements from the Pueblo.

Other tribal outreach provided by the NMDOT Tribal Liaison includes:

- **Tribal Planners Roundtable** - Participate to address tribal transportation issues and concerns.
- **Tribal Entities, RTPO's and MPO's** - Provided COVID-19 information on Travel Restrictions on Pueblos and Reservations.
- **Tribal Entities, RTPO's and MPO's** – Provided clarifications regarding Project Feasibility Form.
- **Tribal Entities, RTPO's and MPO's** – Provided the 2020 NMDOT Surplus Equip Sale.
- **NMDOT Tribal Liaison** – Participated in the T/LPA training session on the revision of the T/LPA Handbook.
- **Santa Ana Pueblo** – Assisted the pueblo for the recruitment and advertisement of a Transportation Program Manager.
- **Tribal Entities, RTPO's and MPO's** – Provided information on U.S. Secretary of Transportation Elaine L. Chao Announces Availability of \$1 Billion to Upgrade American Infrastructure.
- **Tribal Transportation Program Coordinating Committee (TTPCC)** – Provided clarification of the purpose of the national committee, to newly hired tribal planners, which the committee membership is an appointed position and this committee addresses tribal transportation issues and concerns on a national base. Further, encouraged the tribal planners to participate in the sessions held in Albuquerque.
- **TTAP Consultation - Jan. 16, 2020** – Provided updates and encouragement to tribal transportation planners to attend the consultation.
- **Zia Pueblo** review of plans for tribe's Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Building – 100% complete - current need of a driveway permit for their Emergency Response Facility (ERF). **Update** – Building construction complete, pending Driveway Permit request from the Pueblo.
- **Sandia Pueblo** maintenance agreement along I-25 & NM 313/NMDOT District 3 – Due to staff, turnover agreement is still in the development stage, in addition with the need for legal review by both parties. **Update** – On going discussion with the Pueblo and NMDOT D-3 staff.

- **Laguna Pueblo:** Abandonment of frontage road north side I 40 @ 66 Casino which runs parallel to I-40 and turns north at the concrete barriers on the west end of the segment of road way **Update** – Final agreement for conveyance being addressed by NMDOT Property Management and the NMDOT Office of General Counsel awaiting comments from the Pueblo is still pending.
- **San Felipe and Santa Ana Pueblos** – Road Signage on NM 313 to determine the proper land boundaries coordination with the pueblos, NMDOT District 3 and the BIA – Meeting with both entities to reach a common agreement **Update-** Outstanding final approval by BIA.
- **Zia Pueblo** - NMDOT Utility Permit and Work Permit packets for commercial development off US 550 **Update** – Coordination with the Pueblo and NMDOT D 6
- **Isleta Pueblo** - Safety concerns on NM 47, especially the turning lanes and signage for farm equipment, along with the right of way fencing and gates. **Update** - On going discussion with the Pueblo and NMDOT D-3 with a need to revisit RSA
- **Santa Ana Pueblo** - Update Dove Road (main arterial of the community) and NM 313 Intersection improvements. **Update** – Pueblo seeking TIF funding for the project
- **San Felipe Pueblo** - Frontage Road project /Tribal infrastructure Funds (TIF) **Update** – Pueblo to address cultural concerns of the location of the project
- **Sandia Pueblo** - NMDOT Rail Division/Ref: irrigation/ditch/drainage issues, Railway ROW, vegetation growth and railroad crossings **Update** - On going discussion with the Pueblo and NMDOT D 3.
- **Rio Grande Gorge Bridge Safety Network Group** - Physical barrier prevent loss of life both accidental and purposeful; reducing speed limit; parking and vending spaces. **Update** - On going discussion with Taos County, Taos Pueblo and NMDOT D 5, currently posting Security Guards at the rest area to prevent vandalism.
- **Zia Pueblo** - National Tribal Transportation Facility Inventory (NTTFI) formally the Indian Reservation Roads Program (IRR). **Update** - Pueblo is addressing their inventory within their Long Range Transportation Plan.

The NMDOT Tribal Liaison also provides the following in-house assistance and coordination:

- **2020 NMDOT Legislative Team** - Responsible for internal bill review assignments and provide responsive information.
- **NMDOT Broad Band Project** - Our department’s broadband initiative. Create a video as part of Secretary’s presentation to various tribes to expand broadband technology.
- **Local and Tribal Funding for the 2040 MTP Financial Section** – Assisted in the coordination of the Mid Region MPO in developing a update to their twenty year long-range plan, *Connections 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (2040 MTP Update)*. Per federal regulations, a need to include all funding used for transportation purposes within the Albuquerque Metropolitan Planning Area (AMPA) which include funds for highways, roads, bike/ped facilities and transit.
- **Construction Agreement for Frontage Road and CME's (Tracking #19-327-02)** – Assisted with the request to meet with the San Felipe Pueblo Tribal Administration to discuss a request for Construction Agreement for the Frontage Road and 11-CME-6, 11-CME-5 and 11A-CME-1 along Interstate 25 between mile post 252 and 254 at the San Felipe Interchange.

- **US 64 ROW/Navajo Right-of-Way Documents** – Assisted in coordinating the research and acquiring right documents for the US 64 project from Shiprock, NM to Arizona Stateline.
- **2019 Navajo Nation Capital Outlay Agreements** – Assisted with updates of transportation capital outlay projects in conjunction with the reconciliation sessions.
- **Office of U.S. Senator Martin Heinrich - NM 537 Inquiry** – Provided information of Jicarilla Apache Nation seeking funding to repair a segment of NM 537. With their unsuccessful efforts in the past with applying for NM State DOT funds due to the high cost estimate of the project. NMDOT staff currently working with Jicarilla Apache Nation staff on a FLAP application for the next funding cycle.
- **Ecosphere-Environmental Services** - City of Aztec North Main Avenue Extension project, Categorical Exclusion, and as part of the CE provided coordination to determine whether there were any Traditional Cultural Properties within the project.
- **NMDOT Traffic Technical Support Group** – Assist with review and development of signal & lighting agreements for all NMDOT projects.
- **Pueblo of Isleta 5310/Drug and Alcohol Policy** – Coordinated efforts with Isleta Tribal General Counsel, NMDOT General Counsel and Transit Bureau in the review of the tribe's Drug and Alcohol policies to be in compliance with NMDOT requirements.
- **Laguna Contact** – Assisted NMDOT ROW Bureau to identify the proper tribal contact to process Railroad Certification.
- **NMDOT- ROW Bureau** – Clarification on the new procedures for CN S100570 - Santa Fe Indian School BIA/AVSU Appraisal Question.
- **NMDOT, MPOs & RTPOs** - Assisted the distribution of the House Bill 207, which changed the Local Gov't Transportation Project fund's name to Transportation Project Fund, includes tribal governments as eligible recipients, along with the inclusion of transit, bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure as eligible project types.
- **NMDOT, MPOs & RTPOs** - Assisted the distribution of the Vetoing of Senate Bill 232, which funded various local transportation projects in the tune of \$50 million.
- **NMDOT Transit and Rail Bureau** – Assisted the distribution of the Notice to interested parties of the FY 2020 49 USC Sec. 5311 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Sec. 5310 Individuals with Disabilities.
- **HB 349 Capital Outlay, signed and chaptered bills and VETOED Bills** – Provided the 2020 Legislative information to the tribal contacts and MPOs & RTPOs
- **RTPO and MPO Quarterly Meetings** – Participation to address tribal concerns and needs.
- **NMDOT-Research Oversight Committee (ROC)** – Committee member representing the tribal communities to address evaluation and scoring of research proposals.
- **State Transportation Innovation Council (STIC)** – Council member representing the tribal communities to address tribal transportation needs for innovative initiatives on tribal roads and byways.
- **Cochiti Pueblo - SR22 Right of Way Fencing** Assisted the pueblo to address trespass issues on to their tribal lands due to a missing gate and the need to have NMDOT D-3 Maintenance Patrol replace the gate since it is on NMDOT ROW.
- **FY 2021 LGRF Invitation for Jemez Pueblo** – Assisted the pueblo to acquire information for submission of an application for the Local Government Road Fund.
- **NMDOT D-3/Santo Domingo Pueblo** – Assisted pueblo staff to include the new

appointed 2020 Tribal Administrative staff with the monthly coordination meetings in order for them to have firsthand information on current project activities.

- **NMDOT D-6 Quarterly Meeting Pueblo of Acoma** – Assisted both entities to establish Quarterly Coordinating Meetings to address common issues and concerns.
- **NMDOT D-6 Quarterly Meeting Pueblo of Laguna** – Assisted both entities to establish Quarterly Coordinating Meetings to address common issues and concerns.
- **NMDOT, Traffic Records** – Assisted staff to acquire fatal crash report from Sandia Pueblo.
- **NMDOT District 5/San Ildefonso Pueblo** - Presentation of District's STIP project reconstruct of 3+ mile stretch of NM 4, from White Rock to just north of the Truck Bypass (just south of NM 502).
- **Laguna Pueblo, NMDOT D-3 & D-6** - Coordination of monthly discuss common issues and concerns of both entities.
- **NMDOT-POD** - Critical listing of Capital Outlay Projects with tribal entities.
- **NMDOT D-5 Staff** – Research/acquirement of documents for the San Ildefonso Pueblo's Easement Agreement and the Grant of Easement on NM 4.
- **NMDOT ROW/D-5/Pojoaque Pueblo** – Relocation/Specialty Project #CN-9900270 Arroyo Jacona - Request for new survey to set monuments on CMEs. [Update](#) – Survey completion pending.
- **Navajo Nation / NM Indian Affairs Department** – Reconciliation and updates on NMDOT projects.

Tribal Participation in State Transportation Planning

The NMDOT Tribal Liaison, Ron D. Shutiva, continues to encourage tribal involvement in the MPO and RTPO planning processes in order to take advantage of opportunities for involvement in the development of MPO Transportation Improvement Program (TIPs) and RTPO Regional Transportation Improvement Program Recommendations (RTIPRs) that feed into the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). Mr. Shutiva continues to provide assistance in developing procedures and mutual protocols concerning safety, environmental and emergency response measures, and adherence to cultural values. Mr. Shutiva continues to provide technical assistance regarding planning activities and requirements by acting as an intermediary between tribes, Bureau of Indian Affairs – Southwest Region Department of Transportation (BIA-SWRDOT), FHWA-Federal Lands Tribal Transportation Program, Tribal Technical Assistance Program and other NMDOT divisions and district offices. Tribal Liaison continues to meet with tribal officials to coordinate tribal and NMDOT communication involving the implementation of local transportation projects.

Technical Planning Assistance

NMDOT's goal for Fiscal Year 2020 pertaining to collaboration with tribal entities is to continue providing technical planning assistance to address the specific unmet needs and concerns of each individual tribe. The Department's Native American Transportation Outreach Program will continue to serve as a liaison between the tribes; the BIA's Regional Department of Transportation Offices; FHWA-Federal Lands Tribal Transportation Program; Tribal Technical Assistance Program and NMDOT Divisions and District Offices to ensure tribal participation in all pertinent planning activities and the sharing of data and other information to coordinate services. The Native American Tribal Liaison will continue to meet with tribal officials on a regular basis to coordinate tribal and NMDOT

communications regarding the implementation of local transportation-related projects, along with meeting any new requirements established in the FAST Act. The Tribal Liaison will reactivate the Tribal Coordinating Committee (TCC), established for the 2040 Plan, to assist in developing a plan and setting milestones for organizing a Tribal Safety Summit held in November of 2019, along with implementation of the Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP).

Training and Employee Notification

STCA Training Certification

The State Personnel Office (SPO) and Indian Affairs Department (IAD) developed the Cultural Competency Training component of the STCA. A new training schedule will enable new NMDOT staff and Districts to receive certification.

The NMDOT will implement the following to meet its responsibilities under the State-Tribal Collaboration Act:

1. Allocate time during NMDOT's monthly New Employee Orientation for the Department's Tribal Liaison to address employees regarding the provisions of the State-Tribal Collaboration Act;
2. Continue to track current "Developing Effective Communication Skills in the Workplace" training classes in the Department's training database; and
3. Develop additional training curriculums as needed in lieu of classes ordinarily provided by SPO, unless such training becomes available.

In addition, the NMDOT Tribal Liaison will continue to consult with the SPO as needed and appropriate, regarding the training program that the SPO had formerly implemented so successfully.

Employee Notification about the STCA

When the new training schedules for the Cultural Competency Training becomes available, the NMDOT Training Bureau will prepare a notification list identifying all new NMDOT employees that must complete the training as required by the provisions of the STCA. NMDOT Training Bureau has also coordinated with IAD to conduct specific sessions for the NMDOT employees.

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VII. NMDOT Glossary of Terms and Acronyms

- **(2040 Plan)** New Mexico 2040 Plan
- **(AADT)** Annual Average Daily Traffic
- **(ARRA)** American Recovery and Reinvestment Act
- **(BIA)** Bureau of Indian Affairs
- **(BPE)** Bicycle Pedestrian Equestrian
- **(BR)** Bridge Program
- **(BUILD)** Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development
- **(CMAQ)** Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program

- **(CCTV)** Close Caption TV
- **(FAST)** Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act
- **(FFY)** Federal Fiscal Year
- **(HSIP)** Highway Safety Improvement Program
- **(IM)** Interstate Maintenance Program
- **(IRRP)** Indian Reservation Roads Program
- **(LRTP)** Long Range Multimodal Transportation Plan
- **(LTAP)** Local Technical Assistance Program
- **(MAP – 21)** Moving Ahead for Progress into the 21st Century Act
- **(MPO)** Metropolitan Planning Organization
- **(NHS)** National Highway System
- **(NRD)** North Region Design
- **(PIF)** Project Identification Form
- **(PIP)** Public Involvement Plan
- **(PLH)** Public Lands Highways Program
- **(RTP)** Recreational Trails Program
- **(RTPO)** Regional Transportation Planning Organization
- **(SAFETEA-LU)** Safe Accountable Flexible Efficient Transportation Equity Act: a Legacy for Users
- **(SHSP)** Strategic Highway Safety Plan
- **(STBG)** Surface Transportation Block Grant Program
- **(STIP)** State Transportation Improvement Program
- **(STP)** Surface Transportation Program
- **(STIC)** State Transportation Innovation Council
- **(TAP)** Transportation Alternatives Program
- **(TCC)** Tribal Coordinating Committee
- **(TIGER)** Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery
- **(T/LPA)** Tribal/Local Public Agencies
- **(TLPTP)** Tribal Long Range Transportation Plan
- **(TPS)** Safety Programs
- **(TPTG)** Transportation Program Technical Group
- **(TTAP)** Tribal Technical Assistance Program
- **(TTPCC)** Tribal Transportation Program Coordinating Committee
- **(TTIP)** Tribal Transportation Improvement Program
- **(TTP)** Tribal Transportation Program
- **(VMT)** Vehicle Miles of Travel