

AGENDA
NEW MEXICO OFF-HIGHWAY MOTOR VEHICLE ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
Thursday, February 3, 2010
Stuart Udall Meeting Room
Camino Lejo
Santa Fe, NM
9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Public testimony and comment: All those interested in providing oral comment are encouraged to prepare a "Speaker's Card" for each item on which they will comment. These cards assist the Advisory Board to manage more effective public communication. Comments will be allowed on each item, regardless of card completion.

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AGENDA ITEM NO. 1: Meeting Called to Order.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2: Roll Call.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3: Approval of Agenda.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4: Approval of Minutes from October 21, 2010 meeting

NEW BUSINESS:

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5: OHV Registration Update -- The Department will present an update on the transition to a mandatory OHV registration display and other efforts with MVD to streamline the registration and permitting process.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6 : NMDGF Field Officers – Level of OHV Enforcement Effort – Enforcement of OHV laws is not the primary duty of Department Conservation officers, but is an important component of a wide array of enforcement and biological tasks they perform. Limited budgets and staff availability impact the ability of NMDGF officers to enforce OHV laws at a level desired by segments of the public. The Department and board will discuss ways to meet expectations within available resources and the need and opportunities for additional resources.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7: Update on Expansion Positions -- The Department will present updates on the status of requested enforcement coordinator and education coordinator expansion positions.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8: OHV Safety and a Recent Report on a Downturn in OHV-related Accidents – Presentation and discussion between the Department and Advisory Board on a recent report published by the federal Consumer Product Safety Commission that shows a downturn in OHV-related accidents, including factors contributing to this trend and how New Mexico's efforts can reinforce this trend.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 9: Education Update – The Department will present an update regarding the following OHV education-related topics:

OHV Informational and Enforcement Brochures – Staff from UNM School of Law's Institute of Public Law will provide an update to the board on the progress of the 2 OHV brochures they have received a grant to produce.

E-Course Update – number of people trained, public reaction, outreach, and other information.

Hands-on Training– Plans and timeline for the creation of a viable statewide hands-on OHV training course.

The Department has proposed creating educational OHV videos and will present an update on these videos.

Proposed educational efforts related to resource protection and damage, i.e., watersheds, erosion, habitat.

Other education and outreach efforts in New Mexico and other states.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 10: Enforcement -- The Department will present an update on enforcement strategies for the upcoming season.

Enforcement authority of part-time backcountry rangers, coordination with US Forest Service, ongoing issues on State Trust lands, availability of federal grants.

Opportunities to identify and address areas with high levels of conflict between OHV users and other segments of the recreating public.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 11: Grant Program Update -- The Department will present an update on the status of current year grants and information on the timeline and process for grant applications and awards in the upcoming fiscal year.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 12: NMDGF Outreach to Non-Motorized Community – Conflict Resolution

In the August 18 meeting, Director Stevenson proposed that the Department would develop strategies to minimize conflicts between ranchers, hunters and rogue OHV users. The Department will provide an update on the development of these strategies.

Identification of specific problem areas and mechanisms for addressing these areas

The Department will present an update on their public outreach programs addressing the concerns of the non-motorized hunting and ranching community.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 13: Election of Chair and Vice-Chair –

The Board specified that they would select a chair and vice-chair at six-month intervals. The current chair and vice-chair were selected in May 2010.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 14: General Public Comments (Comments Limited to 3 Minutes per speaker).

AGENDA ITEM NO. 15: Establishing a Date for the Next Advisory Board Meeting and a 2011 Schedule of Meetings.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 16: Adjourn.

NOTE: The meeting will be adjourned upon completion of the agenda or up to those items that time allows. Any items not discussed will be on the following meeting's agenda.

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