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EMNRD launches nationwide search for new Deputy Cabinet Secretary

SANTA FE, NM – The New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department (EMNRD) announced today that it is accepting applications from candidates for its Deputy Cabinet Secretary position. Details on how to apply are available on the [EMNRD website](#).

Todd Leahy, who has served as deputy secretary since the beginning of the Lujan Grisham administration, announced his departure from EMNRD effective October 13, 2023. As a result, the agency has launched a national search to fill this critical position.

The EMNRD Deputy Cabinet Secretary oversees the Department’s operations and staffing, and supports the Department’s robust policy, legislative, and budget development. The position reports to the Cabinet Secretary of EMNRD and is appointed by the Governor. The Deputy works closely with the Cabinet Secretary, General Counsel, Chief Financial Officer, Chief Information Officer, and division directors as well as other state agencies.

“EMNRD is looking for a dynamic new deputy secretary to join our high-performing senior leadership team,” said EMNRD Cabinet Secretary Sarah Cottrell Propst. “I am grateful to Todd Leahy for his service at EMNRD since the beginning of the administration. I wish him the very best in his future endeavors.”

Dylan Fuge, Oil Conservation Division Director, will serve as the Acting Deputy Secretary effective October 14 until a permanent deputy secretary is hired.

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