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## **MEDIA ADVISORY: Governor to deliver remarks at electric vehicle symposium in Albuquerque**

ALBUQUERQUE – Gov. Michelle Lujan Grisham will deliver remarks today at the “Governor’s Symposium on the Future of Transportation in New Mexico” in Albuquerque. The governor will preview her priorities around electric vehicles ahead of the upcoming session.

The convening is being attended by more than 300 stakeholders from around the state. The agenda is attached.

**WHEN:**

Monday, October 16  
Noon

**WHERE:**

Hotel Albuquerque  
800 Rio Grande Blvd NW  
Albuquerque, NM 87104

This event is not open to the public.

Members of the media who wish to attend must RSVP to Caroline Sweeney at [caroline.sweeney@exec.nm.gov](mailto:caroline.sweeney@exec.nm.gov) by 10 a.m.

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*Symposium* ON THE FUTURE OF *Transportation*



# MORNING SESSIONS

## 7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.

### Registration & Networking

**Location:** Alvarado Ballrooms Welcoming Area

## 8:30 a.m. – 8:40 a.m.

### Welcome Remarks

**Speaker of the House** Javier Martinez

**Location:** Alvarado Ballrooms

## 8:40 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

### Electric Vehicle Deployment:

**Where We Are Now and Where We Are Heading**

**Location:** Alvarado Ballrooms

**Presenter:** Cabinet Secretary Ricky Serna, New Mexico Department of Transportation

## 9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

### National Best Practices & Possibilities

**Location:** Alvarado Ballrooms

**Presenter:** Alex Schroeder, Chief Technology Officer of Joint Office of Energy and Transportation

**Presenter:** Cindy Vigue, New Mexico Administrator of Federal Highway Administration

## 9:30 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.

### Preparing the Grid for Electric Vehicles:

**Challenges, Solutions, and Resources for Communities**

**Location:** Alvarado Ballrooms

**Moderator:** John Williamson (Program Manager, Transportation Electrification, PNM)

**Panelists:** Luis Reyes (CEO, Kit Carson Electric Cooperative), Pat Vincent-Collawn (Chairman & CEO, PNM), Kelly Tomblin (President & CEO, El Paso Electric), Soraya Kim Larkin (Division President, H2 Power)

## 10:15 a.m. – 10:35 a.m.

### Morning Break

**Location:** Alvarado Ballrooms Welcoming Area & Hotel Albuquerque Parking Lot

## 10:35 a.m. – 11:20 a.m.

### Communities Take Charge:

**City-County-State Coordination on EV Chargers**

**Location:** Alvarado Ballrooms

**Moderator:** AJ Forte, New Mexico Municipal League

**Presenters:** Ravi Bhasker (Mayor, City of Socorro), Andrew Gonzalez (Town Manager, Town of Taos)

## 11:20 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

### EV Charger Partnerships & Adoption Strategy

**Location:** Alvarado Ballrooms

**Moderator:** Peter Johns (Dealer Relations Manager, XCel Energy)

**Panelists:** Zach Brandt (General Manager, Capitol Ford), Marc Brandt (Capitol Ford), Dan Adams (Account Executive, ChargePoint, Inc.), Carlos Garcia (Executive Manager, Garcia Infiniti)

## 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

### Lunch

**Location:** Alvarado Ballrooms

**Presenter:** Honorable Michelle Lujan Grisham, Governor of New Mexico



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# AFTERNOON SESSIONS

## 1:00 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.

**Charging at Home:  
EVSE Affordability Availability, and Access**

**Location:** Alvarado Ballrooms

**Moderator:** Dr. AnnaLinden Weller (Policy Advisor, EMNRD)

**Panelists:** Lucy Gent Foma, AICP (Alternative Fuels Program Manager, EMNRD); John Williamson (Transportation Electrification Program Manager, PNM); Tammy Fiebelkorn (Albuquerque City Councilor -District 7; New Mexico Representative for Southwest Energy Efficiency Project (SWEEP).

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## 1:45 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

**Workforce Solutions:  
Preparing a Workforce for an EV Charging Future**

**Location:** Alvarado Ballrooms

**Moderator:** Sarita Nair, Cabinet Secretary of New Mexico Department of Workforce Solutions  
**Presenter:** Alfonso Martinez (IBEW) and Bobby Getts (Director, NMJATC)

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## 2:30 p.m. – 2:50 p.m.

**Afternoon Break**

**Location:** Alvarado Ballrooms Welcoming Area & Hotel Albuquerque Parking Lot

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## 2:50 p.m. – 3:35 p.m.

**Tribal Coordination**

**Location:** Alvarado Ballrooms

**Moderator:** James Mountain (Former Governor, San Ildefonso Pueblo)

**Panelists:** Sen. Benny Shendo, Jr. (State Senator District 22), Nathan Garcia (Governor, Pueblo of Santa Ana)

## 3:35 p.m. – 4:10 p.m.

**Legislative Pathway to Transportation  
Equity & Electrification**

**Location:** Alvarado Ballrooms

**Presenter:** Sydney Lienemann (Deputy Cabinet Secretary, New Mexico Environment Department)

**Presenter:** Day Hochman-Vigil (Representative, New Mexico House of Representatives)

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## 4:10 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.

**Executive Vision on EV Chargers**

**Location:** Alvarado Ballrooms

**Presenter:** Sarah Cottrell Propst, Cabinet Secretary of the Department of Energy, Minerals, and Natural Resources Development

**Presenter:** James Kenney, Cabinet Secretary of the New Mexico Environment Department

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## 4:45 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.

**Closing Remarks & General  
Assembly Comment Session**

**Location:** Alvarado Ballrooms

**Presenter:** Martin Chavez, Infrastructure Advisor for Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham

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## 5:15 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

**Post-Conference Networking Reception**

**Location:** QBar –Hotel Albuquerque at Old Town