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Press Release

Comments Sought On State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)

Santa Fe - The public is invited to comment on the New Mexico Department of Transportation's 8th amendment to the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). The program will serve as a four year plan for the state's federal aid highway program.

The STIP contains proposed road and bridge projects and is required under the federal legislation. Projects on the list are on federal and state highways (roads with I, U.S. or NM designations).

The NMDOT has posted the 2012-2015 STIP amendment on the internet asking for public comment until June 20, 2013. In addition, NMDOT will be soliciting final public comment in conjunction with the State Transportation Commission's meeting in Portales on Thursday, June 20, 2013.

The STIP is developed by the NMDOT, working in cooperation with state, local and tribal transportation agencies as well as regional planning organizations.

Projects included in the STIP are funded with a combination of federal, state and/or local funds. The document is posted on the NMDOT website at <u>http://dot.state.nm.us/</u>. The NMDOT STIP Coordinator will take comments via email at <u>Rebecca.Maes@state.nm.us</u>.

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