



October 8, 2019

Dear Participant:

The Grant County Prospectors are pleased to announce our annual **Legislative Communication Forum**.

The Prospectors created this Forum **at the request of local Legislators** as your opportunity to speak about your projects, proposed needs, policies or barriers, etc., in preparation for the 2020 Legislative Session. It is important for your organization to present and get your projects in the Grant County Needs and Project Notebook that the Prospectors generate as a result of this Forum. Our Legislators and the Governor utilize this resource book throughout the Legislative session!

In the application packet is a series of topics/questions that were formed with input from our Legislators. The answers you provide will give them background information that they can utilize during the upcoming session.

If you will be requesting Capital Outlay funds, include a capital outlay request form for **each project**.

Important dates:

- **Thursday, November 7 - Application Deadline** to reserve a presentation time slot in the Forum.
- **Tuesday, December 3 at 8 am - Prospectors Legislative Communication Forum**
WNMU – Light Hall Theater – 1000 College Ave, Silver City, NM

You may drop off your application packet at the SWNM Council of Governments located at 1203 N. Hudson – 2nd floor of the Silver Annex or email it to priscillalucero@swnmcog.org. You will receive a return email verifying receipt of your packet.

On **November 21** you will find the tentative presentation agenda at www.grantcountyprospectors.org. Please contact Kim Clark at 575-538-2665 if you have any questions

We invite all presenters to join us in Santa Fe for Grant County Day at the Roundhouse. The logistics meeting will be Tuesday, January 28, 2020 at 5:30 at the La Fonda in the New Mexico Room and the Legislative Reception will be Wednesday, January 29, 2020 at 5:30 in the Lumpkin Ballroom North at the La Fonda.

Regards,

Evangeline Zamora, President, Grant County Prospectors
Gabriel Ramos, NM Senator, District 28
Rudy Martinez, NM Representative, District 39
Rebecca Dow, NM Representative, District 38
Candie Sweetser, NM Representative, District 32

Grant County Prospectors - 2019 Legislative Communication Forum

Application

Application deadline is Thursday, November 7, 2019

1. **Entity/Organization:**

2. **Presenters Name and Title:**

3. **Mailing Address, City, State:**

4. **Email:**

Phone:

5. **Are you with a: (please check one)**

City/County Government

Non-profit/Community sector

Special District

Regulatory issues

Education sector

Other; please describe

Healthcare sector

Topic Questions

The following are topics your entity/organization are asked to present at the Forum. These questions were formed with input from our Legislators. Please answer briefly as many questions as possible that apply to your organization.

1. **Are there any statewide policies or initiatives that are anticipated to be submitted or discussed during the upcoming legislative session that your organization would like to share or would require support.**

2. **Describe any barriers currently impacting your entity/organization.**

3. **As an organization how has your budget been impacted by past state budget shortfalls, or by decreased revenues to your entity, and what have you done to remain sustainable.**

4. If you are a non-profit seeking capital outlay funding, do you have a letter from a local government stating they will be your fiscal agent? If so, please attach.

****THE SECTION BELOW ONLY APPLIES TO GOVERNMENT AND EDUCATION SECTORS. ****

5. Provide a progress report and status update on any open projects previously funded by the State, Federal or any other funding source.

6. Please indicate if your budget is approved, quarterly financials are up-to-date and the year of your most current audit completed to show compliance with Governors Executive Order 2013-006. Are you currently required to have a fiscal agent? If so, who is it?

7. Please list capital requests in priority order with legislative language and dollar amount. Please note that all capital requests must be in the top five of your ICIP. Please attach ICIP summary page.

<u>Project</u>	<u>Legislative Language</u>	<u>Requested Amount</u>
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8. If this is a year where there may be additional funding available, please list a project that you would like to see funded in its entirety.

APPLICATION CHECKLIST:

Application_____

Topic questions_____

Power Point /CD/ Flash Drive_____

Handouts for the notebook_____

If you don't have any at time of application but will have handouts at Forum – provide 7 copies

Please be prepared to make you brief presentation and to discuss the answers you provided on the topic question form. You will need to go to www.grantcountyprospectors.org on **Nov 21** to see when **your sector** will be presenting as well as a **presentation time limit – your time starts as soon as you begin speaking!**

Your presentation will be transcribed, and or filmed. Please direct any questions to Kim Clark at 575-538-2665 or kim@silvercityrealtors.org.