



October 23, 2020

Dear Participant:

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

The Prospectors created this Forum years ago **at the request of local Legislators**. This is your opportunity to speak about your projects, proposed needs, policies, or barriers, etc., in preparation for the 2021 Legislative Session. It is important for your organization to present and get your needs in the notebook that the Prospectors generate as a result of this Forum. Our Legislators and the Governor utilize this notebook as a resource throughout the Legislative session!

- In the application packet is a series of topics/questions that were formed with input from our Legislators.
- If you will be requesting Capital Outlay funds, include a capital outlay request form for **each project**. It is our recommendation that you submit your top two projects due to the current economic climate.
- If you would like to see a presentation from the Legislative Finance Committee on an overview of Capital Outlay appropriations, please refer to our website.

Important dates:

- **Wednesday, November 18 - Application Deadline** to reserve a presentation time slot in the Forum.
- **Monday, November 30** – the presentation agenda will be posted at www.grantcountyprospectors.org.
- **Thursday, December 3 at 8 am – Virtual Prospectors Legislative Communication Forum**.
Presentations will be made virtually. We thank WNMU for assisting the Prospectors with hosting virtually.

Please email your application packet to priscillalucero@swnmcog.org at SWNM Council of Governments. You will receive a return email verifying receipt of your packet. As this will be a virtual presentation, all of your materials **must** be provided by the application deadline of November 18.

If you have any questions about the process, please contact Kim Clark at 575-538-2665 or kim@silvercityrealtors.org.

Regards,

Curtis Clough, 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

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

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

4. Please list your top two 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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Application Checklist

Application_____

Topic questions_____

Power Point /CD/ Flash Drive_____

Handouts for the notebook_____

(provide all when submitting your application)

Please be prepared to make your brief presentation and discuss the answers provided on the topic question form.

On November 30 go to www.grantcountyprospectors.org to see virtual log-in information, the time blocks 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.

We will announce at the Forum how we plan to facilitate Grant County Day on February 3, 2021.

Thank you for participating in the Grant County Legislative process.