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## **EMNRD Awarded \$300,000 Grant to Help Create Energy Sector Jobs**

*'Energy Roadmap Project' builds on Governor's comprehensive  
energy plan*

**Santa Fe, NM** – Today, the Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department (EMNRD) announced their recent award from the U.S. Department of Energy of \$300,000 to develop a plan that supports partnerships and stakeholder involvement with energy producers in oil and gas, coal, nuclear, electric and renewable energy industries; helping to create more energy sector jobs in New Mexico. The Energy Roadmap Project will build on Governor Susana Martinez's comprehensive energy plan – the first of its kind in nearly 25 years – that she announced in 2015.

"New Mexico has been truly blessed with natural resources," said EMNRD Cabinet Secretary Ken McQueen. "The roadmap, along with the Governor's energy plan, will help us do everything we can to create energy sector jobs for New Mexicans for generations to come."

The New Mexico energy roadmap supports partnerships and stakeholder involvement with energy producers including the oil and gas industry, coal mining industry, electric utilities, the nuclear power industry and the renewable energy industry. With the roadmap, the Department will analyze future environmental requirements, policies, supply, demand and resiliency and future measures needed for a more diverse energy portfolio.

Governor Martinez's Energy Policy and Implementation Plan include:

- Improving New Mexico's Energy Infrastructure
- Promoting Greater Production of ALL Sources of Energy – Especially Low-Carbon Sources
- Improving Energy Workforce Training at Higher Education Institutions

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- Reducing Fresh Water Consumption in Energy Production Processes
- Streamlining Regulator Processes
- Exploring and Seizing New Energy Opportunities

The Governor's 2015 New Mexico Energy Plan was the result of more than a year's worth of work. The Department held listening sessions statewide with community leaders, members of the public, and energy stakeholders.

The entire 2015 New Mexico Energy Plan can be found online at:

<http://www.emnrd.state.nm.us/EnergyPolicy/>.

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