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I am writing to state my support for the Rule Change to the NM State Endangered Plant Law to strengthen the law and give native and endangered plants similar protections afforded to animals. I state this as a private citizen of NM.

There are not enough protections for rare plants and they are easily the most forgotten of natural resource land management. Since many of our rare plants are substrate specific, climate change will impact them more than most species. Therefore we must do more to protect these species and their habitats.

Currently BLM and FS have few protections for non-ESA species. This law would provide more ways for agencies to protect these species, since often the agencies defer to state law.

I support this new rule! Sincerely, Zoe Davidson 719-473-4278