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NM- Chihuahua Border Master Plan Public Meeting

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The BMP study area covers a wide range of jurisdictions, including federal, state, county and city governments, along with others including port authorities, planning associations and railroad companies. An inclusive stakeholder involvement program, seamlessly implemented on both sides of the border, is essential to achieving the objectives of the BMP study. NMDOT will host an online public meeting to provide information as well as an opportunity to provide comments to the BMP.

The NMDOT is hosting this public meeting virtually, using Zoom, due to current health considerations and restrictions due to COVID-19.

Attend the virtual public meeting on Wednesday, May 26, 2021, 6:00 p.m.

Click on the virtual public meeting at <u>Launch Meeting - Zoom</u> or <u>https://zoom.us/j/91463401769?pwd=d3U2UXF1dHpNUTVpdVdsT2lXemZ4Zz09</u> Meeting ID: 994 6340 1769 Meeting passcode: 497018

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NEW MEXICO-CHIHUAHUA BORDER MASTER PLAN Virtual Public Meeting - May 26, 2021

PROJECT OVERVIEW

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PROJECT UPDATE

Great strides have been made since our original plan was completed in 2015.

The BMP update includes six (6) PAC Workshops with the focus of continuing coordination and dialogue among the U.S. and Mexico delegations within the Policy Advisory Committee (PAC) regarding infrastructure priority projects. The workshops will allow PAC members to provide updates and modification to the current Priority Project List, thus allowing the opportunity to have a new ranking of projects due to new data or status of projects. Also, the workshops will allow members the opportunity to submit new projects for PAC review or remove projects with approval of project sponsors.

Five Policy Advisory Meetings are in the books, new data has been collected, and an updated list of projects is available for review under the following categories: Rail, Land Ports of Entry, and Multi-Modal Infrastructure.

WHEN?

May 26, 2021 at 6:00 PM MST

WHERE?

Join virtually through Zoom:

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