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Conservation Scorecard 2019



2019 Scorecard Executive Summary



The 2019 legislative session represented a new, high water mark for CVNM's work in the state legislature. **After almost a decade of defending our air, land, water and communities from attacks under the Marti-**

nez administration, New Mexicans were ready for a new Governor to bring energy and a fresh vision to maximize our state's potential. With Michelle Lujan Grisham poised to do that, the onus was on us to make sure that we had done the groundwork to have visionary legislation and strategic plans ready to go. Thanks to our staff, our allies across the state, our legislative leaders, including Senate Majority Leader Peter Wirth and Speaker of the House Brian Egolf, and the support of our members, we were able to do that. As a result, we're looking back on a landmark legislative session.

The importance of legislation like the Energy Transition Act (ETA) can't be overstated. In addition to setting a nation-leading course for moving our electric sector to zero-carbon emissions, the ETA establishes a just transition for New Mexico from coal to clean energy, like wind and solar. **New Mexicans**

share deep-rooted conservation values and finally have the leaders to match our zero-carbon energy potential—that's why New Mexico now leads the country for zero-carbon energy standards. The window of political opportunity to make progress is open, which means we're on the clock now. The first chapter of the Lujan Grisham administration was a great success, and there are more successful chapters to write. The push has only begun to right the wrongs from the Martinez administration and make our state a real leader in protecting our air, land, water and communities.

The Conservation Scorecard is our primary tool to hold legislators accountable for the votes they cast. Please use this *Scorecard* as a tool to push your legislators to continue to reflect your values in their votes. We know that when legislators vote with their constituents' conservation values, New Mexico communities win.

Thank you for being a Conservation Voter,

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About the Scorecard

Conservation Voters New Mexico's 2019 *Conservation Scorecard* provides objective, nonpartisan information about the conservation voting records of all members during the 54th Legislature of the State of New Mexico. Scorecards are a clear and comprehensive way for you to see how you are being represented on issues that matter to you.

Vote Selection

Each vote was selected solely on the basis of the conservation values embodied in the legislation. Responsibility for the final set of selected votes rests entirely with Conservation Voters New Mexico (CVNM).

Thousands of votes are taken during a legislative session in New Mexico. Many of these votes represent overwhelming agreement on non-controversial issues or amendments. To provide better insight into the various positions of our legislators, **CVNM tends to select measures that illustrate the key debates and fierce disagreement over conservation policy in the state.**

CVNM selected the most critical votes on each issue. In some cases, a vote on an amendment to a bill or a procedural

motion was more important than voting on the bill itself. In others, a procedural motion is the only public indication of a legislator's position on a measure. In all cases, the actual vote included in the *Scorecard* is detailed in the vote description. Some votes, such as those taken on a motion to "table" a bill, are not made public on the Legislature's website. These votes are recorded and shared here as a demonstration of where legislators stand on critical issues.

We encourage you to read the descriptions of each vote to determine how well your legislators represented you on the issues and bills that are most important to you.

CVNM Priority Votes

Let's face it: not all votes are equal. Some votes are more critical than others, either because of the issues at stake or the personal courage required of legislators who take the pro-conservation position. Here, we represent the most critical measures by classifying them as "priority" bill. The priority bills are in **orange** in the bill description and the data tables. The value of these votes is doubled in the *Scorecard*.

Know the Score, Take Action

It's never too late to say 'thanks!' —or 'no thanks'...

Tell your legislators that you know the score.

One of the best ways to influence the voting records of your elected officials is to **communicate regularly with them**. If your legislators scored well, it's important to thank them and to support them. If you feel you weren't well-represented by your legislators' votes, it's important to hold them accountable by letting them know what you think about their votes. The *Scorecard* is your key to staying informed on your legislators' votes and getting in touch with them.

If you don't know who your legislators are, visit www.CVNM.org and click on the "Find your Legislator" link under the "Conservation Scorecard" drop-down menu.

Communicate with the Governor and your Legislators

Whether you're congratulating your legislators on their score or expressing your disappointment, **be direct, courteous and polite**. The most important part of your communication is letting them know that you are paying close attention to how they vote or, in the case of the Governor, what actions she takes on legislation that affects our air, land and water.

Calling your legislator directly and **sending letters** through regular mail remain by far the most effective ways to communicate with your legislators.

The Governor and Lieutenant Governor can always be contacted at the State Capitol. Except during the legislative session, state legislators should be contacted in their home districts, as listed on pages 22 and 23.

Join Conservation Voters New Mexico today!

We take on tough fights to protect New Mexico and these efforts in the State Capitol and around the state require financial resources. **We can only win with your support.** Please join other New Mexicans in becoming a Conservation Voter today! Membership is easy: just submit the enclosed envelope with your contribution or join online at www.CVNM.org and click "Donate."



CVNM's Cycle of Accountability

CVNM's work to report to you about how your legislators voted on key conservation policy during each legislative session is part of our strategic approach to building power for the environment and ensuring New Mexicans' air, land and water is protected. We call this approach the "Cycle of Accountability."



Issue Spotlight: the Energy Transition Act

In the 2019 legislative session, New Mexico passed landmark climate legislation in the Energy Transition Act (ETA, Senate Bill 489). The bill was supported by a broad coalition composed of labor groups, community advocacy organizations, rural electric co-ops, utilities and environmental groups like CVNM. **Its passage and signature by the Governor mark the first progress that New Mexico has made towards meaningful action on the climate crisis in almost a decade.**

Ultimately spanning 89 pages, the bill was ambitious in that it will address not just the closure of a coal plant or a clean energy future, but the entire process of abandonment, retirement of the plant and the adoption of significant amounts of clean energy all at the same time. This willingness to have the “big conversation” all in one place is uncommon, and represents a bold commitment from Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham to show the country a new way to move from coal to clean energy, like wind and solar.

The ETA does several things. First, it raises New Mexico's clean energy standard, known as the Renewable Portfolio Standard, to 50% by 2030 and 80% by 2040, with a requirement that all electricity delivered to customers be carbon free by 2045. It includes provisions guaranteeing apprenticeship opportunities, ensuring that New Mexico's electric sector will continue to provide living wage jobs. It also establishes funding for

communities impacted by coal plant closure to begin the process of planning for a workforce transition, as well as begin facilitating a broader diversification of the economy in the Four Corners area. The bill provides a financial mechanism, called securitization, for a utility to refinance the outstanding debts on the coal plants they have ownership stakes in at lower rates, resulting in savings to ratepayers on those outstanding debts. **Finally, there's funding in place to make sure that the state can convene stakeholders and begin to execute a meaningful transition process that pushes new economic sectors and opportunities in a community that has long been defined by the coal and natural gas sectors.**

This broad focus is, in part, what makes the ETA unique nationwide. It bridges where we have been as a state with where we would like to go. New Mexicans have been raising their voices for years to advocates and legislators that they would like to see clean energy play a larger role in New Mexico. At the same time, many communities in New Mexico are still reliant on extractive industries for their economic livelihood.

The solutions that we must find moving forward to our most pressing conservation issues will look increasingly like those in the ETA: holistic with an eye on where we have been, where we are and where we know we must go.



Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham: A



The defining feature of the 2019 legislative session was the presence and influence of new Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham. The short version is this: over her first 100 days, Governor Lujan Grisham has governed the way that she campaigned — energetic, full of ideas

and not afraid to push the envelope. While this *Scorecard* is focused on legislative votes and policy, the Governor wasn't afraid to push beyond the legislature to start articulating her vision for New Mexico's energy and environmental future.

Climate Executive Order

On January 29, the Governor signed Executive Order 2019-003 addressing climate change and energy transition. This order did several things at the same time. It served to join New Mexico in the U.S. Climate Alliance, joining 22 other states in **a commitment to meet the 2016 Paris Agreement**. It committed state agencies to work together to develop and execute plans and policies to achieve the emissions targets necessary for compliance with the Paris Agreement, including energy efficiency and Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS) increases. Finally, it directed state agencies to immediately begin taking steps to **eliminate methane emissions** from the oil and gas industry.

Legislative Accomplishments

We saw significant gains in conservation and climate policy during the 2019 legislative session. The legislature ultimately sent 16 pieces of pro-conservation legislation to the Governor's desk for signature, **many of which were actively supported and advocated for by the Governor's office and her cabinet secretaries**. The first and most notable is the Energy Transition Act (ETA, Senate Bill 489). This bill requires the state to achieve RPS targets of 50% by 2030, 80% by 2040, and to hit 100% carbon-free electricity by 2045. The ETA also includes provisions to allow utilities to securitize undepreciated capital costs of coal plants and provides transitional funding for local communities impacted by the closure of the coal plants. The Governor signed this bill into law on March 22.

The Governor was instrumental in passing legislation that created an Outdoor Recreation Division in the Economic Development Department (Senate Bill 462), **along with an attached "Equity Fund" designed to develop outdoor recreation infrastructure and opportunity for low income families and youth across New Mexico**. The Outdoor Equity Fund is the first of its kind in the nation. The Governor signed this bill into law on April 2.

CVNM supported legislation to re-establish the authority of the Oil Conservation Division (OCD) to assess administrative fines and penalties for violations of the Oil & Gas Act (Senate Bill 186). While Senate Bill 186 ultimately stalled, the content of the

bill was amended into other legislation that did pass (House Bill 546). This administrative penalty authority will be a critical component to OCD's ability **to hold the oil and gas industry accountable for their impact on our air, land and water**, including meaningful action to eliminate methane emissions in New Mexico.

These are just a few of the vital pro-conservation bills that the Governor was instrumental in passing. There are many more that passed that will have myriad positive impacts on New Mexico. Please visit www.scorecard.cvnm.org to read about them.

Appointments

The Governor has appointed conservation-minded leaders to both of the major environmental regulatory cabinet posts. In addition to being exceptionally qualified as environmental and energy regulators, both of her appointments have demonstrated a collaborative and transparent approach to their regulatory responsibilities.

For Secretary of the Energy, Minerals, and Natural Resources Department (EMNRD) the Governor tapped Sarah Cottrell Propst. A long-time conservation champion in her own right (and former CVNM board president), she most recently had served as the executive director of Interwest Energy Alliance, a trade group of renewable energy installers. As EMNRD Secretary, she oversees the entire oil and gas regulatory mechanism in the state, as well as clean energy development and state forests and parks. She was the lead voice from the Governor's office in the negotiations and work to pass the ETA.

For the Environment Department, the Governor recruited James Kenney from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). At EPA, Kenney was one of the agency's experts on oil and gas regulation, and the industry waste water known as "produced water" in particular. This expertise has become immediately useful as produced water begins to take a central place in the discussion around oil and gas regulation in New Mexico.

Both of these appointments indicate a strong new direction for the Governor's administration — one that acknowledges industry roles in the state, but doesn't flinch when it comes to holding them accountable.



Quick Hits

Highlights from the 2019 Session



- While the Oil Conservation Division (OCD) administrative penalties bill, Senate Bill 186, did not pass, the administrative penalties provision at the heart of the bill was incorporated into another bill, House Bill 546. House Bill 546 was initially a bill designed to clearly assign liability and rulemaking authority around the disposition and treatment of water produced by the oil and natural gas industry. CVNM didn't have a position on House Bill 546 initially due to our lack of familiarity with the issue of what is known as "produced water" treatment and disposal. That neutral stance continued after the substance of Senate Bill 186 was amended into House Bill 546. We'll continue to communicate with members as we learn more about (and eventually develop a position on) oil and gas waste water.
- Senate Bill 462 included the creation of a new Outdoor Equity Fund, designed to develop opportunities for low-income young people across New Mexico. This fund is not only unique, it's a critical piece to ensure that the Outdoor Recreation Division is more than just a recreational tool, but a truly transformational tool to define and establish the way that New Mexicans engage with our public lands.
- The new legislature featured leadership on conservation from familiar and established champions like Senator Mimi Stewart and Representative Patricia Roybal Caballero, and also saw the emergence of younger conservation and climate leaders. Second term Representatives like Nathan Small and Angelica Rubio proved themselves able sponsors and coalition builders around key pieces of pro-conservation legislation like the Energy Transition Act (Senate Bill 489) and the Outdoor Recreation Division bill (Senate Bill 462). Additionally, the freshman class in the House demonstrated tremendous knowledge and expertise on environmental and climate issues with Representatives like Melanie Stansbury and Abbas Akhil showing immediate willingness to develop and introduce bold legislation on water and energy policy.
- Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham came out of the gate with a bold legislative agenda spanning a broad number of policy areas. The pacing and feel of the work in the State Capitol were immediately different in 2019 compared to years past. Gone were the early weeks of sluggish pacing. Cabinet secretaries and staff were active in the hallways and hearing rooms pushing key legislative pieces, and many committees began meeting on weekends almost immediately. The energy and vision that Governor Lujan Grisham campaigned on translated into the 2019 legislative session in an immediately noticeable way.
- Keep an eye out for the follow-ups to key legislative pieces. Many of the legislative successes of the 2019 session will require further rulemakings and administrative follow through. The Public Regulation Commission (PRC) will oversee clean energy procurement plans and coal plant retirement proceedings as a result of the passage of the Energy Transition Act. The Oil Conservation Commission within OCD will promulgate rules to implement the administrative penalty authority that it gained in House Bill 546. The Secretary of Economic Development will appoint a new Outdoor Recreation Division Director. The bills that we pass in the legislature are only as good as how they're put to work. We'll be keeping a close eye on the execution of these new policies on the ground.

2019 Conservation Bill and Vote Descriptions

This is a subset of bills scored this session. Priority bills are orange. For complete data, visit www.scorecard.cvnrm.org

Support

HB 291: Efficient Use of Energy Act Changes (A. Romero)

HB 291 establishes thresholds for energy efficiency programs which, at minimum, save 5% of energy costs to customers. **HB 291 passed the House 58-7 and passed the Senate 27-13. The bill was signed by the Governor on April 3.**

HB 521: PRC Application for Vehicle Electricity (Rubio/Woods/Louis/Anderson/Garratt)

HB 521 requires public utilities to file applications to expand transportation electrification, i.e., charging facilities for electric vehicles. **HB 521 passed the House 45-17 and passed the Senate 22-12. The bill was signed by the Governor on April 3.**

SB 76: Prohibit Coyote Killing Contests (Moore/Steinborn)

SB 76 prohibits organized or sponsored competitions with the objective of killing coyotes for prizes or entertainment.

SB 76 passed the Senate 22-17 and passed the House 37-30. The bill was signed by the Governor on April 2.

SB 462: Create Outdoor Recreation Division (Steinborn; Small/Rubio/Johnson/Neville)

SB 462 creates a division of outdoor recreation in the Economic Development Department. The bill also establishes the Outdoor

Equity Grant Program and Fund.

SB 462 passed the Senate 38-0 and passed the House 52-14. The bill was signed by the Governor on April 2.

SB 489: Energy Transition Act (Candelaria/Stewart; Small/Roybal Caballero/Egolf)

SB 489 sets a nation-leading renewable energy standard of 50% by 2030 and 80% by 2040 that investor-owned utilities must meet. In addition, the bill sets zero-carbon energy standards for investor-owned utilities by 2045 and rural electric cooperatives by 2050. The bill establishes a pathway for an energy transition in the Four Corners area while providing relief to workers in San Juan County affected by the closure of coal units. **SB 489 passed the Senate 32-9 and passed the House 43-22. The bill was signed by the Governor on March 22.**

HB 28: Resource Sustainability and Security Act (Stansbury)

HB 28 would have created a sustainability and resilience council that would have developed a government-wide plan to ensure the long-term sustainability and resilience of New Mexico and its infrastructure and resources. **HB 28 passed the House 40-23 and passed the Senate Conservation Committee, but died in the Senate Finance Committee.**

SB 186: Oil Conservation Division Powers & Duties (Martinez; McQueen)

SB 186 would have reinstated administrative penalty authority to the Oil Conservation Division. **SB 186 died on the Senate Finance Committee calendar. However, its language was inserted into HB 546, which passed and was signed by the Governor on April 3.**

HB 206: Environmental Review Act (Chasey; Stewart)

HB 206 would have required non-federal government agencies to consider the impacts of a state-funded project that may affect public health, ecosystems and the environment. **HB 206 died on the calendar of the House State Government, Elections, and Indian Affairs Committee as sponsors were making technical changes to the bill.**

HB 210/SB 281: Community Solar Act (Roybal Caballero/A. Romero; Stefanics)

HB 210/SB 281 established rules for community solar facilities and specifically reserved a portion of shares for low-income customers. This would have stimulated the growth of the solar industry and expanded access to solar energy for more New Mexicans. **HB 210 passed the House 42-25 and passed the Senate Conservation Committee, but died on the calendar of the Senate Judiciary Committee. SB 281 died in the Senate Conservation Committee (never heard).**

HB 220: Determination of Discharge Effect on Water (McQueen)

HB 220 was a legislative fix for the "Copper Rule" which currently allows copper mines to exceed groundwater discharge limits. **HB 220 died on the calendar of the House Judiciary Committee.**

HB 255: Mining Permit Corporate Guarantees (McQueen)

HB 255 would have made it more difficult for mining interests to "self bond," decreasing the likelihood that clean-up costs are shifted to taxpayers. **HB 255 was pulled from the House Calendar and re-referred to the House Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Committee where it died on the calendar.**

HB 263: State Game Commission Changes (McQueen)

HB 263 established requirements and qualifications for the members of the State Game Commission to lessen the politicization of the commission and established professional qualifications for four of the seven members. **HB 263 passed the House 45-20 but was tabled and died in the Senate Rules Committee.**

HB 398/SB 500: Oil, Gas and Vented Gas Royalties (Lente; O'Neill)

HB 398/SB 500 established a threshold over which oil and gas production is taxed at one fourth percent. The bill also established that vented and flared gas was subject to royalties. **HB 398 was tabled and died in the House Commerce and Economic Development Committee. SB 500 received a do pass in the Senate Conservation Committee, but the committee report was not filed and the bill was not referred to the Senate Corporations and Transportation Committee.**

SB 518: New Solar Market Development Tax Credit (Stewart)

SB 518 allowed a taxpayer a tax credit for installing a solar photovoltaic or thermal system. This bill allowed a 10% credit up to \$6,000 with a five year carry forward and established an aggregate cap of \$10 million per year and would sunset in 2029. **SB 518 passed the Senate 29-12 and passed the House Taxation and Revenue Committee, but died on the House Calendar.**

Oppose

HB 373: New Mexico Central Arizona Project Entity

(G. Armstrong/Sweetser/Dow; Ramos)

HB 373 would have helped reinforce the authority of the entity overseeing the Arizona Water Settlement, thereby creating a more robust (and potentially un-needed) agency to carry out an underfunded, unnecessary and unpopular diversion project on the Gila River, even though it would not have had the authority to plan it independently. **HB 373 was tabled and died in the House Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Committee.**



Reading the Votes

If a legislator voted in support of the pro-conservation position, his or her vote is recorded on the chart as a **✓**; votes against the conservation position are indicated with an **X**.

If a legislator was excused from voting, this is noted by an **E**, and the vote does not count positively or negatively towards their final score. If a legislator was not excused from voting but missed the vote, they are recorded as 'absent', shown as **A**. An absence counts against a legislator in the calculation of their score because they can be excused. If a legislator chooses to recuse themselves from a vote, this is noted by an **R**, and the vote does not count positively or negatively towards their final score.

Wherever possible, the votes included in the *Scorecard* were taken on the floor of the House or Senate, where every legislator's position can be represented. However, some of the most important actions are taken in legislative committees on measures that never reach the floor. In these cases, CVNM has presented the relevant committee votes. If no vote is displayed, that means the legislator did not cast a vote on the bill. This occurs because a legislator may not sit on the committee that debated and voted on a bill.

If the sponsor of a measure does not serve on a committee for which a vote is being scored, their sponsorship is considered representative of their position, and is recorded with a **✓** or **X**, as appropriate.

Regional Data

New to the 2019 *Scorecard* is regionalized data. To better help Conservation Voters identify how their legislators' votes impact their community, we have grouped legislators into six regions in New Mexico.

For each region, we have highlighted how the legislators that represent that region voted on CVNM's priority legislation and two bills that specifically or disproportionately impact that region. In addition, we have highlighted certain legislators whose strong performance stands out and the legislator with the lowest score for each region. In order to display regional data in this *Scorecard*, we chose to highlight a subset of data on bills and votes in the print version of the *Scorecard*. For complete data, visit www.scorecard.cvnm.org.

How to Read the Scorecard

LEGISLATOR (PARTY, DISTRICT)		CURRENT SCORE	LIFETIME SCORE	HB209	HB210	HB280	SB489	SB462	SB186	HB220	SB500	SB76
Joe Smith (R, 23)		79%	86%	E	✓	✓	✓		✓	R	E	X
Mark Martinez (D, 34)		32%	20%	X	X	✓	X		A	X	✓	R

Guide to Scorecard Icons:



Northeast

At the interface of New Mexico's public lands and agricultural economy, Northeastern New Mexicans are at the frontlines of the state's wildlife policy decisions.



Senate

Serving Districts 7, 8

Key Legislation

LEGISLATOR (PARTY, DISTRICT)	CURRENT SCORE	LIFETIME SCORE	HB206	HB210	HB28	SB489	SB462	SB186	HB220	HB263	SB76
Pete Campos (D, 8)	89%	77%				✓	✓				✗
Pat Woods (R, 7)	6%	21%		✗	✗	R	E	✗			✗



House

Serving Districts 63, 64, 67

Key Legislation

LEGISLATOR (PARTY, DISTRICT)	CURRENT SCORE	LIFETIME SCORE	HB206	HB210	HB28	SB489	SB462	SB186	HB220	HB263	SB76
Jack Chatfield (R, 67)	14%	14%		✗	✗	✗	✗			✗	✗
Randal S. Crowder (R, 64)	7%	23%		✗	✗	✗	✗			✗	✗
Martin R. Zamora (R, 63)	6%	6%		✗	✗	✗	✗			✗	✗



Northwest

Senate

Serving districts 1, 2, 3, 4, 22, 30



BEST

John Pinto

Party: **Democrat**

District: **3**

Current Score: **100%**

Lifetime Score: **80%**

BILL	CATEGORY	VOTE
HB206: Environmental Review Act		
HB210: Community Solar Act		
HB28: Resource Sustainability and Security Act		
SB489: Energy Transition Act		✓
SB462: Create Outdoor Recreation Division		E
SB186: Oil Conservation Division Powers & Duties		
HB220: Determination of Discharge Effect on Water		
SB500: Oil, Gas, and Vented Gas Royalties		
HB398: Oil, Gas and Vented Gas Royalties		



WORST

William E. Sharer

Party: **Republican**

District: **1**

Current Score: **27%**

Lifetime Score: **19%**

BILL	CATEGORY	VOTE
HB206: Environmental Review Act		
HB210: Community Solar Act		
HB28: Resource Sustainability and Security Act		
SB489: Energy Transition Act		✗
SB462: Create Outdoor Recreation Division		✓
SB186: Oil Conservation Division Powers & Duties		
HB220: Determination of Discharge Effect on Water		
SB500: Oil, Gas, and Vented Gas Royalties		
HB398: Oil, Gas and Vented Gas Royalties		

Key Legislation

LEGISLATOR (PARTY, DISTRICT)	CURRENT SCORE	LIFETIME SCORE	HB206	HB210	HB28	SB489	SB462	SB186	HB220	SB500	HB398
George K. Munoz (D, 4)	57%	48%				✗	✓				
Steven P. Neville (R, 2)	43%	38%				✗	✓				
John Pinto (D, 3)	100%	80%				✓	E				
Clemente Sanchez (D, 30)	90%	69%				✓	✓				
William E. Sharer (R, 1)	27%	19%				✗	✓				
Benny Shendo Jr. (D, 22)	90%	76%				✓	✓				

Northwest New Mexico is home to two of the largest coal power plants in the Southwest U.S., one of the largest natural gas patches and widespread abandoned uranium mine waste, making this an area where energy policy in particular tends to loom large.



House

Serving districts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 65, 69



BEST

D. Wonda Johnson

Party: **Democrat**

District: **5**

Current Score: **100%**

Lifetime Score: **96%**

BILL	CATEGORY	VOTE
HB206: Environmental Review Act		
HB210: Community Solar Act		✓
HB28: Resource Sustainability and Security Act		✓
SB489: Energy Transition Act		✓
SB462: Create Outdoor Recreation Division		✓
SB186: Oil Conservation Division Powers & Duties		
HB220: Determination of Discharge Effect on Water		
SB500: Oil, Gas, and Vented Gas Royalties		
HB398: Oil, Gas and Vented Gas Royalties		✓



WORST

Rod Montoya

Party: **Republican**

District: **1**

Current Score: **0%**

Lifetime Score: **9%**

BILL	CATEGORY	VOTE
HB206: Environmental Review Act		✗
HB210: Community Solar Act		✗
HB28: Resource Sustainability and Security Act		✗
SB489: Energy Transition Act		✗
SB462: Create Outdoor Recreation Division		✗
SB186: Oil Conservation Division Powers & Duties		
HB220: Determination of Discharge Effect on Water		✗
SB500: Oil, Gas, and Vented Gas Royalties		
HB398: Oil, Gas and Vented Gas Royalties		

Key Legislation

LEGISLATOR (PARTY, DISTRICT)	CURRENT SCORE	LIFETIME SCORE	HB206	HB210	HB28	SB489	SB462	SB186	HB220	SB500	HB398
Eliseo Lee Alcon (D, 6)	94%	83%		✓	✓	✓	✓				
Anthony Allison (D, 4)	73%	73%		✓	✓	✗	✓				
Paul C. Bandy (R, 3)	13%	25%		✗	✗	✗	✗				
Harry Garcia (D, 69)	93%	94%		✓	✓	✓	✓				
D. Wonda Johnson (D, 5)	100%	96%		✓	✓	✓	✓				✓
Derrick J. Lente (D, 65)	94%	93%		✓	✓	✓	✓				✓
Patricia A. Lundstrom (D, 9)	55%	65%		✗	✓	✗	E				
Rod Montoya (R, 1)	0%	9%	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗		✗		
James R.J. Strickler (R, 2)	5%	14%	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗		✗		



Santa Fe Area

Senate

Serving districts 5, 6, 24, 25, 39



BEST

Peter Wirth

Party: **Democrat**

District: **25**

Current Score: **100%**

Lifetime Score: **99%**

BILL	CATEGORY	VOTE
HB206: Environmental Review Act		
HB210: Community Solar Act		✓
HB28: Resource Sustainability and Security Act		E
SB489: Energy Transition Act		✓
SB462: Create Outdoor Recreation Division		✓
SB186: Oil Conservation Division Powers & Duties		✓
HB220: Determination of Discharge Effect on Water		
HB521: PRC Application for Vehicle Electricity		✓
SB518: New Solar Market Development Tax Credit		✓

Key Legislation

LEGISLATOR (PARTY, DISTRICT)	CURRENT SCORE	LIFETIME SCORE	HB206	HB210	HB28	SB489	SB462	SB186	HB220	HB521	SB518
Carlos R. Cisneros (D, 6)	100%	75%				✓	✓			E	✓
Richard C. Martinez (D, 5)	85%	63%		✓	✓	✓	E	✓		✓	E
Nancy Rodriguez (D, 24)	100%	87%				✓	✓			✓	✓
Elizabeth "Liz" Stefanics (D, 39)	94%	97%		E	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
Peter Wirth (D, 25)	100%	99%		✓	E	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓

Home to a high concentration of progressive climate focused voters, Santa Fe decision-makers tend to reflect this by prioritizing clean air, clean water and a proactive approach towards dealing with climate change.



House

Serving districts 40, 41, 42, 43, 45, 46, 47, 48, 50, 70



BEST

Matthew McQueen

Party: **Democrat**

District: **50**

Current Score: **100%**

Lifetime Score: **96%**

BILL	CATEGORY	VOTE
HB206: Environmental Review Act		✓
HB210: Community Solar Act		✓
HB28: Resource Sustainability and Security Act		✓
SB489: Energy Transition Act		✓
SB462: Create Outdoor Recreation Division		✓
SB186: Oil Conservation Division Powers & Duties		✓
HB220: Determination of Discharge Effect on Water		✓
HB521: PRC Application for Vehicle Electricity		✓
SB518: New Solar Market Development Tax Credit		



Key Legislation

LEGISLATOR (PARTY, DISTRICT)	CURRENT SCORE	LIFETIME SCORE	HB206	HB210	HB28	SB489	SB462	SB186	HB220	HB521	SB518
Christine Chandler (D, 43)	100%	100%		✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	
Brian F. Egolf (D, 47)	100%	98%		✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	
Roberto "Bobby" J. Gonzales (D, 42)	91%	77%		✓	✓	✓	E			E	
Susan K. Herrera (D, 41)	100%	100%		✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	
Matthew McQueen (D, 50)	100%	96%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Andrea Romero (D, 46)	100%	100%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	
Tomás E. Salazar (D, 70)	92%	88%		✓	✓	✓	✓			E	
Joseph L. Sanchez (D, 40)	83%	83%		E	✓	✓	✓			✓	
Jim R. Trujillo (D, 45)	85%	72%		✓	✓	E	✓			✓	
Linda M. Trujillo (D, 48)	100%	100%		✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	



Southwest

Senate

Serving districts 28, 31, 35, 36, 37, 38



BEST

Jeff Steinborn

Party: **Democrat**

District: **36**

Current Score: **100%**

Lifetime Score: **98%**

BILL	CATEGORY	VOTE
HB206: Environmental Review Act		
HB210: Community Solar Act		
HB28: Resource Sustainability and Security Act		
SB489: Energy Transition Act		✓
SB462: Create Outdoor Recreation Division		✓
SB186: Oil Conservation Division Powers & Duties		
HB220: Determination of Discharge Effect on Water		
HB255: Mining Permit Corporate Guarantees		
HB373: New Mexico Central Arizona Project Entity		

Key Legislation

LEGISLATOR (PARTY, DISTRICT)	CURRENT SCORE	LIFETIME SCORE	HB206	HB210	HB28	SB489	SB462	SB186	HB220	HB255	HB373
Joseph Cervantes (D, 31)	95%	83%		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
Mary Kay Papen (D, 38)	80%	58%				✓	✓				
Gabriel Ramos (D, 28)	80%	80%				✓	✓				✗
John Arthur Smith (D, 35)	88%	47%				✓	✓				
William P. Soules (D, 37)	85%	94%		✓	✓	✗	✓	✓			
Jeff Steinborn (D, 36)	100%	98%				✓	✓				

Southwest New Mexico is a busy place for conservation, with the entirety of New Mexico's copper mining industry and the last wild, free-flowing stretch of the Gila River all in Grant County.



House

Serving districts 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 49, 52, 53



BEST

Angelica Rubio

Party: **Democrat**

District: **35**

Current Score: **100%**

Lifetime Score: **100%**

BILL	CATEGORY	VOTE
HB206: Environmental Review Act		✓
HB210: Community Solar Act		✓
HB28: Resource Sustainability and Security Act		✓
SB489: Energy Transition Act		✓
SB462: Create Outdoor Recreation Division		✓
SB186: Oil Conservation Division Powers & Duties		
HB220: Determination of Discharge Effect on Water		✓
HB255: Mining Permit Corporate Guarantees		✓
HB373: New Mexico Central Arizona Project Entity		E



WORST

Rebecca Dow

Party: **Republican**

District: **38**

Current Score: **25%**

Lifetime Score: **41%**

BILL	CATEGORY	VOTE
HB206: Environmental Review Act		
HB210: Community Solar Act		X
HB28: Resource Sustainability and Security Act		X
SB489: Energy Transition Act		A
SB462: Create Outdoor Recreation Division		X
SB186: Oil Conservation Division Powers & Duties		
HB220: Determination of Discharge Effect on Water		
HB255: Mining Permit Corporate Guarantees		
HB373: New Mexico Central Arizona Project Entity		X

Key Legislation

LEGISLATOR (PARTY, DISTRICT)	CURRENT SCORE	LIFETIME SCORE	HB206	HB210	HB28	SB489	SB462	SB186	HB220	HB255	HB373
Gail Armstrong (R, 49)	20%	41%		X	X	X	✓				X
Micaela Lara Cadena (D, 33)	94%	94%		✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓
Rebecca Dow (R, 38)	25%	41%		X	X	A	X				X
Joanne J. Ferrary (D, 37)	100%	100%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	E	✓
Doreen Y. Gallegos (D, 52)	92%	82%		✓	✓	✓	✓				
Raymundo Lara (D, 34)	87%	87%		✓	✓	✓	✓				X
Willie D. Madrid (D, 53)	93%	93%		✓	✓	✓	✓				
Rodolpho "Rudy" S. Martinez (D, 39)	100%	85%		✓	✓	✓	✓				
Angelica Rubio (D, 35)	100%	100%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	E
Nathan P. Small (D, 36)	100%	100%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
Candie G. Sweetser (D, 32)	67%	71%		✓	✓	X	✓				X



Southeast

Senate

Serving Districts 27, 32, 33, 34, 41, 42



WORST

Gregg Fulfer

Party: **Republican**

District: **41**

Current Score: **13%**

Lifetime Score: **13%**

BILL	CATEGORY	VOTE
HB206: Environmental Review Act		
HB210: Community Solar Act		
HB28: Resource Sustainability and Security Act		
SB489: Energy Transition Act		X
SB462: Create Outdoor Recreation Division		E
SB186: Oil Conservation Division Powers & Duties		
HB220: Determination of Discharge Effect on Water		
SB500: Oil, Gas, and Vented Gas Royalties		
HB398: Oil, Gas and Vented Gas Royalties		

Key Legislation

LEGISLATOR (PARTY, DISTRICT)	CURRENT SCORE	LIFETIME SCORE	HB206	HB210	HB28	SB489	SB462	SB186	HB220	SB500	HB398
William F. Burt (R, 33)	33%	33%				X	✓				
Gregg Fulfer (R, 41)	13%	13%				X	E				
Ron Griggs (R, 34)	30%	35%		X	X	✓	✓	X		X	
Stuart Ingle (R, 27)	40%	26%				X	✓				
Gay G. Kernan (R, 42)	44%	36%				X	✓				
Cliff R. Pirtle (R, 32)	50%	36%				✓	✓				

Eddy and Lea counties are home to the Permian Basin, one of the most productive oil fields on the planet. Common sense policy that holds the oil and gas industry accountable is particularly important here.



House

Serving districts 51, 54, 55, 56, 58, 59, 61, 62, 66



WORST

James G. Townsend

Party: **Republican**

District: **54**

Current Score: **0%**

Lifetime Score: **11%**

BILL	CATEGORY	VOTE
HB206: Environmental Review Act		X
HB210: Community Solar Act		X
HB28: Resource Sustainability and Security Act		X
SB489: Energy Transition Act		X
SB462: Create Outdoor Recreation Division		X
SB186: Oil Conservation Division Powers & Duties		
HB220: Determination of Discharge Effect on Water		X
SB500: Oil, Gas, and Vented Gas Royalties		
HB398: Oil, Gas and Vented Gas Royalties		

Key Legislation

LEGISLATOR (PARTY, DISTRICT)	CURRENT SCORE	LIFETIME SCORE	HB206	HB210	HB28	SB489	SB462	SB186	HB220	SB500	HB398
Phelps Anderson (R, 66)	18%	18%	X	X	X	X	✓		X		
Rachel A. Black (R, 51)	0%	0%		X	X	X	X				
Cathrynn N. Brown (R, 55)	7%	19%		X	X	X	X				
Zachary J. Cook (R, 56)	21%	19%		X	X	E	✓				
Candy Spence Ezzell (R, 58)	0%	17%		X	X	X	X				
David M. Gallegos (R, 61)	0%	15%		X	X	E	X				
Greg Nibert (R, 59)	0%	13%		X	X	X	X				
Larry R. Scott (R, 62)	0%	14%	X	X	X	X	X		X		
James G. Townsend (R, 54)	0%	11%	X	X	X	X	X		X		



Albuquerque/Central

Senate

Serving Districts 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 23, 26, 29, 40



BEST

Mimi Stewart

Party: **Democrat**

District: **17**

Current Score: **100%**

Lifetime Score: **98%**

BILL	CATEGORY	VOTE
HB206: Environmental Review Act		✓
HB210: Community Solar Act		
HB28: Resource Sustainability and Security Act		
SB489: Energy Transition Act		✓
SB462: Create Outdoor Recreation Division		✓
SB186: Oil Conservation Division Powers & Duties		✓
HB220: Determination of Discharge Effect on Water		
HB291: Efficient Use of Energy Act Changes		✓
HB521: PRC Application for Vehicle Electricity		✓



WORST

Gregory A. Baca

Party: **Republican**

District: **29**









Current Score: **33%**

Lifetime Score: **40%**

BILL	CATEGORY	VOTE
HB206: Environmental Review Act		
HB210: Community Solar Act		
HB28: Resource Sustainability and Security Act		
SB489: Energy Transition Act		✓
SB462: Create Outdoor Recreation Division		✓
SB186: Oil Conservation Division Powers & Duties		✗
HB220: Determination of Discharge Effect on Water		
HB291: Efficient Use of Energy Act Changes		✗
HB521: PRC Application for Vehicle Electricity		✗

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Key Legislation

LEGISLATOR (PARTY, DISTRICT)	CURRENT SCORE	LIFETIME SCORE	HB206 	HB210 	HB28 	SB489 	SB462 	SB186 	HB220 	HB291 	HB521 
Gregory A. Baca (R, 29)	33%	40%				✓	✓	✗		✗	✗
Craig W. Brandt (R, 40)	22%	39%				✗	✓			✗	✗
Jacob R. Candelaria (D, 26)	89%	82%				✓	✓			✓	✓
Candace Gould (R, 10)	67%	72%				✓	✓			✗	✗
Daniel A. Ivey-Soto (D, 15)	100%	86%				✓	✓	E		E	E
Linda M. Lopez (D, 11)	91%	84%				✓	✓	✓		✓	E
Mark Moores (R, 21)	42%	32%				✓	✓	✗		✗	✗
Bill B. O'Neill (D, 13)	100%	97%				✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
Gerald Ortiz y Pino (D, 12)	100%	93%				✓	✓			✓	✓
Michael Padilla (D, 14)	90%	86%				✓	✓			✓	✓
William H. Payne (R, 20)	25%	28%		✗	✗	✓	✓	✗		✗	✗
Sander Rue (R, 23)	88%	51%				✓	✓			✓	✗
John M. Sapien (D, 9)	100%	72%				✓	✓			✓	E
Antoinette Sedillo Lopez (D, 16)	100%	100%		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
Mimi Stewart (D, 17)	100%	98%	✓			✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
Bill Tallman (D, 18)	100%	94%				✓	✓			✓	✓
James P. White (R, 19)	78%	42%				✓	✓			✓	✗



Albuquerque/Central

House

Serving Districts 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30,



BEST

Javier Martínez

Party: **Democrat**

District: **11**

Current Score: **100%**

Lifetime Score: **98%**

BILL	CATEGORY	VOTE
HB206: Environmental Review Act		
HB210: Community Solar Act		✓
HB28: Resource Sustainability and Security Act		E
SB489: Energy Transition Act		✓
SB462: Create Outdoor Recreation Division		✓
SB186: Oil Conservation Division Powers & Duties		
HB220: Determination of Discharge Effect on Water		
HB291: Efficient Use of Energy Act Changes		✓
HB521: PRC Application for Vehicle Electricity		✓



WORST

Jane E. Powdrell-Culbert

Party: **Republican**

District: **44**

Current Score: **13%**










Lifetime Score: **17%**

BILL	CATEGORY	VOTE
HB206: Environmental Review Act		
HB210: Community Solar Act		✗
HB28: Resource Sustainability and Security Act		✗
SB489: Energy Transition Act		✗
SB462: Create Outdoor Recreation Division		✓
SB186: Oil Conservation Division Powers & Duties		
HB220: Determination of Discharge Effect on Water		
HB291: Efficient Use of Energy Act Changes		A
HB521: PRC Application for Vehicle Electricity		A

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31, 44, 57, 60, 68

Key Legislation

LEGISLATOR (PARTY, DISTRICT)	CURRENT SCORE	LIFETIME SCORE	HB206 	HB210 	HB28 	SB489 	SB462 	SB186 	HB220 	HB291 	HB521 
Abbas Akhil (D, 20)	94%	94%	✓	E	✓	✓	✓		E	✓	✓
Deborah A. Armstrong (D, 17)	100%	95%		✓	E	E	E			E	E
Alonzo Baldonado (R, 8)	20%	20%		X	X	X	✓			✓	A
Karen C. Bash (D, 68)	100%	100%		✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓
Gail Chasey (D, 18)	100%	94%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓
Daymon Ely (D, 23)	100%	98%		✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓
Kelly K. Fajardo (R, 7)	40%	28%		X	X	✓	✓			✓	✓
Natalie Figueroa (D, 30)	100%	100%		✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓
Miguel P. Garcia (D, 14)	100%	96%		✓	E	✓	✓			E	✓
Joy Garratt (D, 29)	100%	100%		✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓
Jason C. Harper (R, 57)	23%	23%		X	X	X	✓			✓	X
Dayan Hochman-Vigil (D, 15)	85%	85%		E	✓	✓	✓			✓	E
Tim D. Lewis (R, 60)	20%	25%		X	X	X	✓			✓	X
Georgene Louis (D, 26)	86%	97%		✓	✓	✓	E			✓	✓
Antonio "Moe" Maestas (D, 16)	93%	88%		✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓
Javier Martínez (D, 11)	100%	98%		✓	E	✓	✓			✓	✓
Jane E. Powdrell-Culbert (R, 44)	13%	17%		X	X	X	✓			A	A
William B. Pratt (D, 27)	86%	86%		✓	A	✓	✓			✓	✓
William "Bill" R. Rehm (R, 31)	33%	30%		X	E	✓	✓			✓	X
G. Andrés Romero (D, 10)	100%	98%		✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓
Patricia Roybal Caballero (D, 13)	100%	97%		✓	E	✓	✓			✓	E
Patricio Ruiloba (D, 12)	73%	75%		✓	✓	✓	✓			A	✓
Debra M. Sariñana (D, 21)	100%	100%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
Gregg Schmedes (R, 22)	36%	36%		X	X	X	✓			✓	X
Melanie A. Stansbury (D, 28)	100%	100%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
Sheryl Williams Stapleton (D, 19)	100%	78%		✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓
Elizabeth "Liz" Thomson (D, 24)	100%	98%		✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓
Christine Trujillo (D, 25)	100%	95%		✓	E	✓	✓			✓	✓

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