

**NOTICE OF RULEMAKING**

The New Mexico Department of Workforce Solutions (“Department” or “NMDWS”) hereby gives notice that the Department will conduct a public hearing to receive comments regarding proposed amendments to NMAC 11.2.3 (the State Apprenticeship Policy Manual) in the Leo Griego Auditorium located in the State Personnel Office (Willie Ortiz Building) at 2600 Cerrillos Road in Santa Fe, New Mexico, 87505 on October 23, 2025 from 12:00 pm to 2:00 pm.

Summary: The proposed regulation amends 11.2.3 NMAC, to clarify the standards for apprenticeship programs requesting reciprocity from the New Mexico State Apprenticeship Agency, specifically as they apply to programs working on Energy Transition Act projects.

Under Subsection C of Section 62-13-16 NMSA 1978, NMDWS is the agency responsible for promulgating rules to ensure compliance with this section of the Energy Transition Act. Paragraph (5) of Subsection B of Section 50-7-4 NMSA 1978 grants the secretary of workforce solutions the authority to perform duties such as are necessary to carry out Chapter 50, Section 7 NMSA, which includes promulgating regulations.

Interested individuals are encouraged to submit written comments to the New Mexico Department of Workforce Solutions, P.O. Box 1928, Albuquerque, N.M., 87103, attention Andrea Christman prior to the hearing for consideration. Alternatively, written comments may be submitted via email to [andrea.christman@dws.nm.gov](mailto:andrea.christman@dws.nm.gov). Comments must be received no later than 5 p.m. on October 23, 2025.

Copies of the proposed rule may be accessed online at <https://www.dws.state.nm.us/> or obtained by calling Andrea Christman at (505) 841-8478 or sending an email to [Andrea.Christman@state.nm.us](mailto:Andrea.Christman@state.nm.us). The proposed rule will be made available at least thirty days prior to the hearing.

Individuals with disabilities who require this information in an alternative format or need any form of auxiliary aid to attend or participate in this meeting are asked to contact Ms. Christman as soon as possible. The Department requests at least ten (10) days advance notice to provide requested special accommodations.