

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The New Mexico State Land Office (“NMSLO”) will hold a public hearing on May 27-28, 2026, at 9 a.m., and continuing thereafter as necessary, in Morgan Hall, Room 101, 310 Old Santa Fe Trail, Santa Fe, New Mexico. The hearing will include a virtual/telephonic participation option, details of which will be provided on NMSLO’s website (<http://www.nmstatelands.org>) at least 30 days prior to the public hearing. Any change to the location or time of the hearing will be posted with a final agenda on the NMSLO website at least 72 hours prior to the date and times specified above.

The purpose of the hearing is to consider amending State Land Office Rule 19.2.100.23 NMAC to ensure sufficient financial assurance is in place for state oil and gas leases. NMSLO’s authority to manage state trust lands is found in Article 13 of the New Mexico Constitution and in NMSA 1978, Section 19-1-1. The legal authority to promulgate this rule is found in NMSA 1978, Section 19-1-2.

The proposed rule is available on the NMSLO website (<http://nmstatelands.org>) and the Sunshine Portal (<http://www.sunshineportalnm.com>) and at the NMSLO building located at 310 Old Santa Fe Trail, Santa Fe, New Mexico. To request a hard copy, please contact Francesca Di Palma at (505) 827-5761 or make a request by email at INFO@nmslo.gov.

Written comments may be submitted by mail to Francesca Di Palma, New Mexico State Land Office, Attention: Financial Assurance Rulemaking, or by email to INFO@nmslo.gov. Written comments (including comments submitted by email) will be accepted through 11:59 p.m. on May 26, 2026.

Individuals with disabilities who require this information in an alternative format or need any form of auxiliary aid (such as a sign language interpreter) to attend or participate in any aspect of the proposed rulemaking process or the public rule hearing are asked to contact Selena Romero at least 10 days prior to the hearing by phone at (505) 827-5790 or by email at sromero@nmslo.gov.