

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING

Public Notice: The New Mexico Adult Parole Board will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, September 15, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. The meeting will be held in person in the UNM Science & Technology Park Rotunda, 801 University Blvd. Albuquerque, NM.

Purpose of Rule Hearing: The purpose of the public hearing is to receive public input on the proposed amendments to 22.510.3.8 NMAC – Policy Statement Pertaining to the Granting of Parole, Denial of Parole, Revocation or Rescission of Parole and to the Discharge of Parole 22.510.3.8 NMAC.

Statutory Authority: Paragraph (8) of Subsection B of Section 31-21-25-NMSA 1978.

Purpose of the Proposed Amendments: The purpose of these changes is to comply with the new promulgated statute passed at the 2026 Legislative Session it strengthens and clarifies the parole decision making process for inmates serving indeterminate sentence for crimes committed prior to July 1, 1979 and where appropriate, the provision apply to person serving indeterminate life sentence for crimes committed on or after July 1, 1979. The statute now provides comprehensive parole hearings that consider institutional conduct, criminal history, participation in rehabilitation programming, demonstrated personal growth, readiness for community reentry.

Summary of Proposed Changes to 22.510.3.8 NMAC: Policy Statement Pertaining to the Granting of Parole, Denial of Parole, Revocation or Rescission of Parole and to the Discharge of Parole The section being amended is Section 22.510.3.8, adds language that considers institutional conduct, criminal history, participation in rehabilitation programming, demonstrated personal growth, readiness for community reentry. It also updates language for gender neutrality and adds language to identify board training and updating the rule based on evidence-based practices.

How to Comment on the Proposed Rules: Public comment addressing the proposed rule changes can be made by mail to Roberta Cohen, New Mexico Adult Parole Board, 4337 State Road 14, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87508 or by emailing your comment to Roberta.Cohen@apb.nm.gov by 5:00 p.m. Thursday, September 10, 2026. Email comments must include the subject line, “Rule Changes to 22.510.3.8 NMAC”, the commenter’s name and contact information. Copies of Proposed Rules:

Copies of the Proposed Rules: are available for download on the New Mexico Corrections Website under the Parole Board section website at www.cd.nm.gov/division/parole-board/ A copy of the proposed rules may also be requested by contacting Roberta Cohen by phone at (505)386-6873 or by email Roberta.Cohen@apb.nm.gov.

Special Needs: Individuals who require this information in an alternative format or need any form of auxiliary aid to attend or participate in the public hearing are asked to contact Roberta Cohen at (505)386-6873 as soon as possible to allow adequate time to provide the requested accommodation(s).