



State of New Mexico Commissioner of Public Lands

## Executive Order No. 4-1 Permanent Daylight Saving Time On State Trust Land

**WHEREAS**, the Commissioner of Public Lands has broad constitutional authority and statutory jurisdiction over the direction, control, care and disposition of state trust lands, in accordance with the acts of Congress relating thereto and such regulations as may be provided by law (*see* NM Const., art. XIII, Sec. 2 and NMSA 1978, § 19-1-1); and

**WHEREAS**, State Land Office is responsible for administering 9 million acres of surface and 13 million acres of subsurface estate for the beneficiaries of the state land trust, which includes schools, universities, hospitals and other important public institutions; and

**WHEREAS**, the biannual change of time between mountain standard time and mountain daylight saving time is disruptive to commerce and to the daily schedules of the residents of the state of New Mexico; and

**WHEREAS**, heart attacks, strokes, and workplace injuries go up because of the clock change; and

**WHEREAS**, traffic accidents spike on the Monday after "Spring Forward"; and

**WHEREAS**, permanent Daylight Saving Time saves energy, lessens our carbon footprint, and helps in the fight against childhood obesity; and

**WHEREAS**, studies have found that Daylight Saving Time contributes to improved road safety by reducing pedestrian fatalities by 13% during dawn and dusk hours; and

**WHEREAS**, year-round Daylight Time means people have more time for outdoor recreation like walking, bikepacking, or hiking the New Mexico trails; and

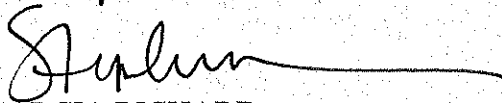
**WHEREAS**, , longer nights give people more time to go shopping, to restaurants, or other events, boosting the local economy; and

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Stephanie Garcia Richard, Commissioner of Public Lands, do hereby order and direct that the state trust lands operate under permanent daylight saving time; and

*BE IT FURTHER ORDERED* that

**THIS IS AN APRIL FOOLS JOKE!**

SIGNED AT THE STATE LAND OFFICE  
THIS 1 DAY OF April 2019.



STEPHANIE GARCIA RICHARD  
COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS

