

**BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS**

**IN THE MATTER OF PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO  
19.2.100.23, RELATING TO FINANCIAL ASSURANCE  
FOR OIL AND GAS LEASES ON STATE TRUST LANDS**

**RULEMAKING HEARING PROCEDURES**

The public hearing in this matter will begin at 9 a.m. on May 27, 2026, and continue as necessary through May 28, 2026. The hearing will be held in hybrid fashion, both in Morgan Hall and on a virtual platform.

The proposed Rule amendments, related documents, and the details on participation in the rulemaking process can be found on the New Mexico State Land Office website.

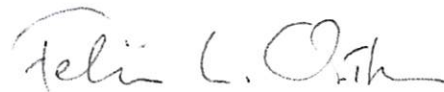
The hearing will be conducted pursuant to 19.2.16 NMAC, the Commissioner's Rulemaking Procedures. All interested persons, or groups of persons, will have a reasonable opportunity to present written materials, present oral comments on the proposed rule, present questions, and examine witnesses.

State Land Office (SLO) staff present their testimony first and answer questions from the public when the presentation is complete. When the State Land Office presentation and questioning has been completed, public comment will be invited from those present in the hearing room and on the platform, and will be accepted in writing from anyone until the hearing is adjourned.

Public comments less than 5 minutes in length will be expressly invited at 1 p.m. on May 27 and 9 a.m. May 28. Those wishing to offer comment longer than 5 minutes are invited to reach out to the Hearing Officer and SLO rulemaking staff

([Felicia.L.Orth@gmail.com](mailto:Felicia.L.Orth@gmail.com) and [INFO@nmslo.gov](mailto:INFO@nmslo.gov)) to request a desired timeframe that will be honored to the extent possible. Those wishing to present slides should bring their own devices, and at least one hard copy of the slide presentation is requested for use by the Hearing Officer.

Following the close of the record, the Hearing Officer will prepare a report for the Commissioner summarizing all comment and a Statement of Reasons supporting any Final Order to be issued by the Commissioner. The Commissioner's decision will be distributed to all rulemaking participants who provide an address, and will be published in accordance with the State Rules Act and the Commissioner's Rulemaking Procedures.



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Felicia L. Orth, Hearing Officer