Northern New Mexico Group Monthly Newsletter

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Rural Home Weatherization Program

Santa Fe Sierra Club donors are funding a winter home weatherization program in Counselor, Ojo Encino and Torreon-Star Lake Navajo Chapters starting in January. Homeowners wanting an energy audit and follow up installations or repairs will be contacting their Chapter Houses for more information and to schedule a visit.
For more information or to contribute: Contact Teresa Seamster: tc.seamster@gmail.com

Santa Fe National Forest Species Monitoring

The Greater Santa Fe Fireshed Coalition is collaborating with Santa Fe National Forest to develop a multi-organization monitoring team to conduct pre and post thinning and prescribed fire treatments in the Santa Fe Watershed this year.
For updates and information on the 2018 GSFFC monitoring: Contact Santa Fe National Forest Fireshed Coordinator: hannahbergemann@fs.fed.us or tc.seamster@gmail.com

Taos and Santa Fe Water Sentinels

Water Sentinels located in Taos and Santa Fe, and directed by Eric Patterson, will be training new volunteers for 2018 to help collect water samples from 5 northern New Mexico rivers and test the water for temperature, conductivity, ph, sediment, flow rate, e Coli, and possibly for hormones, heavy metals and PCBs.
For information or training: Contact Eric Patterson: eepatt@gmail.com

Renewable Energy & PRC

Energy Committee of the Northern Group is closely following the progress of the PNM rates case and PRC information and understanding of renewable energy opportunities in the wake of the corporate tax rate reduction for 2018.
For information: Contact Shane Woolbright: director@meso.org

Legislative and Public Events in 2018

Top legislators, such as State Senator, Peter Wirth (listening to a presentation on Bears Ears at the Holiday Party), are key allies in our work to protect our national monuments, wilderness and public lands, and address water quality issues, social justice and oil and gas impacts.
To work on public and legislative events and issues: Contact Tom Gorman or Patricia Cardona: gormantd@gmail.com or patriciacardona24@yahoo.com