

Introduction

On behalf of Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham, the New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT) seeks applicants for the Recreational Trails Advisory Board (RTAB). All eligible applicants are encouraged to apply. The RTAB members serve an advisory role for the Recreational Trials Program administration, project development, scoring and selection of projects. Ideal applicants are enthusiastic supporters and users of recreational trails, representing a diverse range of perspectives and experiences from around the state.

Recreational Trails Program

The Recreational Trails Program (RTP) is a Federal reimbursement program funded through section 1109 of the FAST Act, as codified under Title 23 of the United States Code, sections 133(b)(6), 133(h)(5)(C), and 206. In New Mexico, RTP is administered by NMDOT. The program provides funding to eligible entities to develop and maintain recreational trails and trail-related facilities for both non-motorized and motorized trail uses. In addition to their recreational purpose, RTP-funded projects often provide additional multimodal transportation options. Examples of trail uses include hiking, bicycling, in-line skating, equestrian use, cross-country skiing, snowmobiling, off-road motorcycling, all-terrain vehicle riding, and four-wheel driving.

RTP funds come from the Federal Highway Trust Fund and represent a portion of the motor fuel excise tax collected from non-highway recreational fuel use—fuel used for off-highway recreation by snowmobiles, etc. New Mexico's *estimated* annual RTP funding amount is \$1,415,533 each year. For more information please see the <u>Recreational Trails Program Guide</u>.

Recreational Trails Advisory Board

To be eligible to receive RTP funds, the State of New Mexico must establish a Recreational Trails Advisory Board (RTAB) that represents both motorized and non-motorized recreational trail users. The Board must meet at least once per Federal fiscal year in a publically noticed meeting. In years with calls for projects, additional meetings may be required to rate and rank project applications.

Application Instructions

Please fill out the application in its entirety. Submit the completed form and your resume to Maggie Moore, <u>mailto:Maggie.Moore@state.nm.us</u>, by August 14, 2020. If you have any questions, please contact Maggie Moore at the email above or 505-470-4705.

Recreational Trails Advisory Board Application

- 1. Name:
- 2. Phone number(s):
- 3. Email:
- 4. Address:
- 5. Please describe why you are interested in serving on the NM Recreational Trails Advisory Board (RTAB). Include information about your professional experience or advocacy work that supports your candidacy. Identify strengths you will bring to the RTAB, the program and the project application review process (e.g. budget review, trail planning, design, maintenance and construction etc.).
- 6. Do you represent motorized or non-motorized trail user interests?
 - □ Non-Motorized (e.g. hiking, running, equestrian, bicycling etc.)
 - □ Motorized (e.g. snowmobiling, OHV, four-wheel vehicles)
- 7. Would you be able to travel to and/or attend a remote meeting, at least once a year to participate in the RTAB's meeting(s)?
 - □ Yes
 - 🗆 No
- 8. Do you have any financial or other interests that might present a conflict of interest if you were to be appointed to the position for which you have applied? If yes, please explain in the space below.
 - □ Yes
 - 🗆 No
- 9. Have you at any time been a registered lobbyist? If so, please list the principals you represented and the dates.
 - □ Yes
 - 🗆 No
- 10. Have you ever been found guilty of any criminal law or a traffic violation for which you were fined more than \$100? If yes, please explain in the space below.
 - □ Yes
 - 🗆 No
- 11. Are you currently involved, or have you been involved in the past five (5) years in a civil suit?
 - □ Yes
 - 🗆 No

12. Have you ever been accused of sexual harassment?

- 🗌 Yes
- 🗆 No

13. If you answered "yes" to any of the questions above, please provide an explanation:

□ I hereby certify that this request contains no willful misrepresentation(s), and that should any investigation disclose such misrepresentation or falsification, my application will be rejected, my name removed from consideration for appointment, or I may be removed from appointment.

□ I understand that submission of my request does not guarantee appointment.

□ I understand that I may be required to submit to a background check as a condition of appointment. I understand that unsatisfactory results from, refusal to cooperate with, or any attempt to affect the result of these checks will result in withdrawal of any offer or termination of appointment.