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EMNRD and NMED announce waste emissions app

SANTA FE – Today, the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) and the Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department (EMNRD) unveiled a new mobile device application that shows venting and flaring activity and emissions from the oil and gas industry in New Mexico, allowing the public to easily view and interpret air quality data collected by the state. The app was developed by EMNRD’s Information Technology Office and is now available for the public to download and use on iPhone or Android systems by searching for the New Mexico Methane Map.

The New Mexico Methane Map application allows users to search for oil and gas industry activity by address and filter by emission type, air quality monitoring stations, volatile organic compounds, and more. The app uses publicly available data collected by the state from required oil and gas industry reporting and air quality sensors. A [user guide](#) is available within the app.

“The New Mexico Methane Map exemplified this administration’s commitment to transparency and innovation,” said EMNRD Cabinet Secretary Sarah Cottrell Propst. “I applaud the months of work EMNRD’s Information Technology Office put into this application to make this a user-friendly tool for the public that highlights the information available within our department.”

“This app makes state data more accessible to New Mexicans,” said NMED Cabinet Secretary James Kenney. “As we continue progress on initiatives to reduce emissions from the oil and gas industry, using good science and data and fostering transparency must continue to be at the forefront of all our efforts.”

Both agencies will add new data and information to the app as new reporting requirements go into effect.

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