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Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department Office Updates

Santa Fe – In an effort to reduce the spread of COVID-19 and as directed by the Governor, the Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department (EMNRD) announces the following changes in office access. EMNRD has shifted as many employees to telework as possible.

EMNRD Headquarters - Wendell Chino Building

Most staff with offices in EMNRD's Wendell Chino Building headquarters in Santa Fe are teleworking. Access to the building is by appointment only for limited circumstances when important business cannot be conducted remotely.

- To contact the Energy Conservation and Management Division please visit the [Contact Us page](#).
- To contact the Mining and Minerals Division call 505 467-9671

State Forestry Field Offices

State Forestry field offices are closed through April 9th. The phone number for State Forestry is 505-476-3325 and the website can be found [here](#).

State Parks

The most recent public health order prohibits gatherings of more than 10 people. To that end, NM State Parks are closed through April 9th. Please see our [FAQ page](#) on State Parks closures. If you request a camping refund related to the closure of State Parks call 1-877-664-7787 or visit reserveamerica.com.

Oil Conservation Division (OCD) Field Offices

OCD field offices are only accessible by appointment and the public and oil and gas operators are encouraged to conduct business [online](#) as much as possible.

- Artesia/Hobbs Field Office
 - For general office questions please call 575-626-0857.
 - For operations or compliance emergencies please call 575-626-0830.
- Aztec
 - For general office questions please contact Amy Vermersch at 505-334-6178 ext 113.
 - For releases or environmental concerns contact Cory Smith at 505-419-2687.
 - For operations or compliance emergencies please contact Brandon Powell at 505-320-0200.

State government remains dedicated to serving New Mexicans while ensuring the safety of our community.

New Mexico health officials continue to urge New Mexicans to:

- Avoid all non-essential travel to affected out-of-state areas; and exercise extreme caution with all out-of-state travel
- Remain home (“self-isolate”) if you are sick and call the Department of Health at 1-855- 600-3453 if you are exhibiting any of the symptoms of COVID-19
 - Those symptoms include fever, cough or trouble breathing
- And continue taking precautionary steps to protect your individual health, such as:
 - Washing your hands frequently with soap and water for at least 20 seconds
 - Clean “high-touch” surfaces daily with regular household cleaners
 - Avoid sharing personal household items

Please visit <https://cv.nmhealth.org/> for more details on how New Mexico is responding to COVID-19.

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<http://www.emnrd.state.nm.us>