

Lucinda Sydow- Present		Deputy Secretary, Yolanda Cordova- Present
Steven Moise- Excused	SEAC Chair, James Povijua- Present	Amber Rodriguez- Absent
Elaine Perea- Present	Thom Cole- Absent	Deputy Secretary, Patricia Trujillo- Present
Leo Delgado- Present	Charles Wollmann- Absent	Johanna Nelson- Present
Steve Vierck- Present	Anna Linden Weller- Present	Dana Bahar- Present
Cabinet Secretary, Lynn Trujillo- excused	Alyssa Latuchie- absent	

Sustainable Economy Task Force Meeting

September 21, 2022

9:30am

Minutes

1. Intros
2. NMEDD program updates
 - a. Healthy Food Finance Fund
 - b. Update on Healthy Food Finance Initiative
 - i. Coordinator has been hired at EDD- Erin Ortigoza
 - ii. Current RFP out and will close September 30, looking for financial institutions to house the money and manage the fund
 - c. State Small Business Credit Initiative: Allocation approved and in process of approving program working with investment manager, two channels enabling access to capital; both programs need to be up and running in the next 90 days
 - i. Yolanda- Will there be targeted approaches in the north, with the closures of the power plant?
 1. Johanna- still in the process of developing the strategy, will pass this comment on to the committee. A page will be added to EDD website to provide feedback, including questions. We have investment council setup, we can get AVIVAR Capital in front of SETF when we get further along to get more feedback
 - ii. AnnaLinden- recall from previous meetings that the program that was previously running to do electrification is not currently funded. I don't know if that's an appropriate place for venture money, but possibly a good fit. The number of businesses that have reached out to EMNRD are in high single digits, if we can figure out how to fund a program like that in a different way.
 1. Johanna- The council meets on the same schedule as SETF in the afternoon, so this is great feedback to acknowledge what we are missing and get feedback
 - d. ARPA and how EDD is utilizing funding EDA project that is active, we were able to hire a staff of 4 to build out this recovery/ resiliency team. Still working on state plan. The

grant ends in 2023 but would like to have a conversation with EDA to figure out how we can continue funding.

3. Vote to Approve: Minutes from previous meeting
 - a. Yolanda Moves to approve
 - b. Second Steve Vierck
 - c. Motion passed
4. Discussion:
 - a. State Plan Assessment update, Felicia DePaula, NMEDD
 - i. Talked to 19 agencies/organizations
 - ii. Need to speak to 10 more, 65% complete collecting data
 - iii. Need responses or alternative contacts for: ALTSD, DWS, HSD, NM MFA, NMTD, PED
 - iv. Majority of agencies have started the work and the recommendations are “In Progress”
 - v. There was also a frequent response of waiting for the green light from EDD to get started on the recommendations and finally the response that the agency or organization wasn’t aware of the recommendation but is willing to get started on it
 - b. State Plan RFP
 - i. Putting RFP out in the next week, in hopes of obtaining a contractor. The RFP will focus on:
 1. Admin work
 2. Community Engagement
 3. Data Collection
 - a. James: Would change the word advise when discussing equity and inclusion (Under SETF and SEAC bolded area)
 - b. \$100,000 to spend each year for the next 5 years
 - c. Yolanda: will be in process of developing Workforce plan, so all the worlds need to collide. We are going to do alignment with agencies we need to work with. Interested in the engagement piece. We are in the process of developing our RFP.
 - d. Patricia: HED is planning to start a planning process in the interim of 2023, as we engage, can we think of equity amongst the agencies. We have over 20 priorities, so can we think strategically how we can work together and stay on the same page, so as we plan, we can care for all the agencies together.
 - e. AnnaLinden: Echo how much what Yolanda and Patricia said, how their plans can coincide with the Climate TF Plan, the plan is meant to iterative and be updated every year. How can we do this annually to talk about where we all are and make space for that, to build plans that are reflective of one another.
 - f. Elaine: Michelle Ribiero and HED has been trying to get buy ins to provide alignment working on plan coordination, JFF has already done quite a bit towards the plans that already exist
 - g. Patricia: would like to have this conversation sooner rather than later since we are in the process of making decisions
 - c. Industry Councils update, Johanna Nelson, NMEDD

