

**Minutes
Of the
Southern Ute Indian Tribe/State
of Colorado Environmental Commission**

J&R Administrative Building-EPD Large Conference Room
71 Mike Frost Way
Ignacio, Colorado
November 20, 2024

The meeting of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe/State of Colorado Environmental Commission was called to order at 1:02 p.m.

Commissioners Present:

Dan Jefferson, Nathan Strong Elk, Dr. Peter McCormick, Ember Michel, and Rolfe Spiegel.

Others Present:

Danny Powers, Division Head; Matt Wampler, AQ Program Manager; Andrew Switzer, AQ Program Manager; Jacob Stokes, AQ Scientist I; Angelina Miller, AQ Scientist II; Rowan Kinney, AQ Scientist II; Reyes Shendo, Air Quality Specialist; Mark Lamoreaux, AQ Scientist I.

Mitch Morris, EHS Specialist; Matthew Zabka, RWPC Senior EHS Specialist; Anthony Salazar, Pipeline Tech; Larry Harrell, Tech; Arlyssia Sells, AQ Specialist; Janice Archuleta, Ute Mountain Ute Program Manager; Sam Maynes, SUIT Legal Department; Brennah Wilson, SUIT Legal Department; Ethan Hinkley, Air Quality Compliance Manager.

Call in Participants:

Alex Sanchez, ENV NM; Andrew Price, Abundance Energy; Cindy Cottrell (Unverified); Derek Forsberg, Williams; Dian Aranda, ENV NM; Emily Sanders (Unverified); Eric Peters, ENV NM; Helen Trujillo rlbayless; Hunter L. Dorn, Xcelenergy; Jennifer Nygren, Harvest Midstream; Jeremy Neustifter CDPHE; Jessica Hejny, ENV NM; Ken Distle Kinde Morganr; Kirsten L. King, NPS; Kyle Hunderman, Red Cedar Gathering; Leah Martland (APCD) CDPHE; Leslie Jakoby, La Plata County; Mark Jones, ENV NM; Mike Hanson, Catamount Energy; Monica Smith, Harvest Midstream; Nathalie Eddy, CDPHE ; Philana Thompson, Merrion; Randolph Lydic, Hitachi Air Centers; Shannon Lopez, ENV NM; Stefanie Shoup CDPHE; Theodore Risberg, Republic Services;Trudy Cundiff, rlbayless.

At this time there was a round of introductions from all who were present.

New Business

Review and Approve November 20, 2024, Agenda (Action Item)

Commissioner McCormick entertained a motion to approve the November 20, 2024, agenda.

Commissioner Michel made the motion. Commissioner Spiegel second the motion. The motion passed (5) for, (0) against.

Review and Approve April 24, 2024, Meeting Minutes (Action Item)

Commissioner McCormick entertained a motion to approve the April 24, 2024 meeting minutes.

Commissioner Jefferson made the motion. Commissioner Strong Elk second the motion. The motion passed (5) for, (0) against.

Air Quality Division Updates

- New Staff and roles presented by Danny Powers, Division Head and Angelina Miller
- Ambient Monitoring Program updates given by Andrew Switzer, Program Manager
- Title V Permitting updates given by Mark Lamoreaux, AQ Scientist
- Title V Compliance updates given by Rowan Kinney, AQ Scientist
- Title V Enforcement updates given by Danny Powers, Division Head
 - Commissioner McCormick asked a question regarding public records of Enforcement actions and Danny Powers answered.
- Minor Source Program updates given by Danny Powers, Division Head
 - Commissioner Michel asked a question regarding operator outreach and another question regarding time frames for reports and Danny Powers answered.
 - Commissioner McCormick commented to try and communicate as often and in as many ways as possible.
- Climate Pollution Reduction Grant updates given by Danny Powers, Division Head
- EPA's Updated Methane Rules given by Matt Wampler AQ Program Manager
 - Commissioner Michel asked a question regarding timing of TIP and Commission Meetings and Matt Wampler and Danny Powers responded.

Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment (CDPHE) Updates

- Stefanie Shoup with the Office of Innovations in Planning and Air Quality Data, Air Pollution Control Division presented on Methane Monitoring Program Updates.
- Leah Martland with CDPHE, APCD, Planning and Policy Program presented NSPS updates.

Open Discussion/Questions and Public Comment

- Commissioner Strong Elk made a comment regarding the Brunot agreement land and the tribal involvement as stewards of that area.

Schedule Next Meeting

The Colorado Air Quality Control Commission and Southern Ute Indian Tribe/State of Colorado Environmental Commission joint meeting will be on April 23rd, 2025, at 1:00 p.m. The finalized meeting date will be advertised and posted on the Commission webpage at www.southernute-nsn.gov/justice-and-regulatory/epd/air-quality/env-commission/.

Chairperson McCormick called for a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded and passed (5) for (0) against.

The meeting of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe/State of Colorado Environmental Commission adjourned at 2:32 p.m.