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**NM Interstate Stream Commission continues 2024 statewide
open house series, launches online option**
*Public invited to provide input on regional water planning online and at
open houses*

SANTA FE – This week the New Mexico Interstate Stream Commission (NMISC) launched the online open house option for Main Stream New Mexico, a series of statewide open house meetings designed to involve communities in proactive water management strategies. The NMISC invites the public to provide input either online or at one of the regional in-person open houses.

In response to New Mexico's water challenges, the NMISC is implementing these open houses as part of the 2023 Water Security Planning Act. "These open houses are created to empower local communities to help New Mexico re-envision regional water planning," said NMISC Director Hannah Riseley-White. "Communities know their values, norms, cultural practices, and water traditions best, and their input is essential to the state's water security future."

The online open house mirrors the in-person experience and provides the same input opportunities. New Mexicans can explore six sections on the Why, Where, Who, What, When, and How of regional water planning and provide input on its reimagining until August 18th at MainStreamNM.org/Online-Open-House.

There are nine in-person open house meetings remaining:

Remaining 2024 In-Person Open House Dates:

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| ● June 10: Hobbs | ● July 22: Socorro | ● August 5: Gallup |
| ● June 11: Roswell | ● July 23: Silver City | ● August 6: Farmington |
| ● June 12: Alamogordo | ● July 24: Las Cruces | ● August 7: Albuquerque |

Main Stream New Mexico is your guide to revitalized regional water planning under New Mexico's Water Security Planning Act of 2023. It is a campaign of the NM Interstate Stream Commission Water Planning Program.

For more information, including locations for the in-person open houses and to sign up for the monthly newsletter, please visit MainStreamNM.org.

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The nine-member Interstate Stream Commission is charged with separate duties including protecting New Mexico's right to water under eight interstate stream compacts, ensuring the state complies with each of those compacts as well as investigating, conserving and protecting the waters of the State, in addition to water planning.
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