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Now would be a great time to make it clear that the Governor's comment to the Oil and Gas Association that you work for them. You can do that by not allowing the oil and gas industry participants call the shots leading to weak regulations without the capacity to enforce even those.
Those companies have a huge investment in New Mexico and most are sunk costs. They aren't going anywhere. You are in a position of strength which will allow you to do the right thing for New Mexico residents and our environment.
I believe that the next budget will include increases that will allow you to hire many more inspectors. And I'd establish a rule that if companies continue to hire away new inspectors, those companies move to the top of the inspection list.
We need to have aggressive targets for repairs - 30 days for simple fixes and 90 days for more complex. And, $ 5000/day for any delays.
Other states (like Colorado) have aggressive requirements for emission control. (Our chile may be better but Colorado trumps us on limiting damaging to their environment).
Don't allow any more wells to be drilled by a company until they have completed all repairs and installed state of the art emissions controls.
Failure to comply should result in hefty fines.
Repeated failures should result in fines of at least $50.000 per incident which should be applied to mitigate impacts of violations in the most damaged areas like the San Juan Basin which is listed as one of the most toxin environments in the country.
Put New Mexico residents and our environment first.
Thank you for the opportunity to comment.
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