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The Honorable Susana Martinez  
Governor of New Mexico  
490 Old Santa Fe Trail, Room 400  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Dear Governor Martinez:

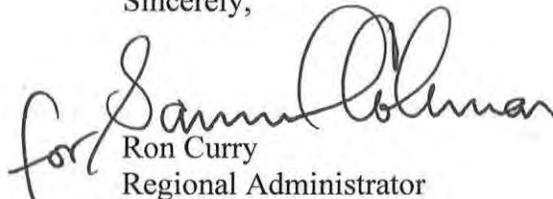
Thank you for your letter to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency submitting the updated 2014 New Mexico Nonpoint Source Management Plan. The EPA appreciates the efforts of the New Mexico Environment Department's Surface Water Quality Bureau in submitting this update to the 2009 SMP.

Pursuant to the Clean Water Act §319(d), the Watershed Management Section reviewed the SMP for consistency with requirements under the CWA §319(b). The NMED has agreed to address the EPA's comments in an addendum so the EPA hereby approves the SMP. This approval concurrently updates New Mexico's Water Quality Management Plan.

The EPA recognizes the exceptional efforts of New Mexico to control nonpoint source pollution and restore water quality. The 2013 *Nonpoint Source Program and Grants Guidelines for States and Territories* suggests states review and update their program every five years, so future interim updates and revisions may be made at any time.

I look forward to continued cooperation between our agencies. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (214) 665-2100, or have your staff contact Ms. Carmen Assunto, State and Local Government Liaison, at (214) 665-2200.

Sincerely,

  
for Samuel Coleman  
Ron Curry  
Regional Administrator