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NMED Seeks Appointees for Recycling and Illegal Dumping Alliance by Sept. 30

Santa Fe - The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) is now seeking appointees for the retailer seat and soil and water conservation district seat of the Recycling and Illegal Dumping (RAID) Alliance. The RAID Alliance, established by the 2005 New Mexico RAID Act, provides recommendations to NMED to award grants designed to protect the health and welfare of the environment and current and future residents of New Mexico by preventing and abating illegal dumpsites; promoting environmentally sound methods for reuse and recycling; managing scrap tires; and encouraging economic development, community development, and collaboration that promotes the efficient and sustainable use of resources, sustainable recycling, and a cleaner and healthier environment.

Members of the RAID Alliance are appointed by the NMED Cabinet Secretary for two-year terms with no compensation from the state.

The 12 RAID Alliance members represent:

- state government,
- local government,
- a solid waste authority,
- an industry waste generator,
- a tribal government,
- a nonprofit organization,
- a recycling company,
- a retailer,
- an agricultural producer,
- a soil and water conservation district,
- a waste management company, and
- the public at large.

The RAID Alliance meets in Albuquerque up to five times a year to set priorities and discuss grant applications. This is a great opportunity to participate in protecting and improving the health and welfare of the people of New Mexico and the environment.

If interested in serving on the RAID Alliance or for more information, contact the NMED Recycling Program Coordinator, Neal Denton, at (505) 827-2653 or neal.denton@state.nm.us by September 30, 2016.

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