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**NOTICE**  
**State Land Office Priority List to OCD**  
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The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (“OCD”) is releasing this notice regarding the roll out of a State Land Office (“SLO”) priority list. This SLO Priority List is the result of OCD and SLO working together to facilitate cooperation from operators in reducing funds that are in suspense. Currently SLO has millions of dollars being held in suspense for various reasons which include but are not limited to:

- Missing required paperwork
- Paperwork submitted with improper information
- OCD’s current backlog of pending submissions

To reconcile the funds OCD and SLO have put together the process below:

- SLO will inform operators of outstanding items needed
- Operators will submit to OCD following the normal OCD Priority List Template located [here](#).
- Operators will submit via the [OCD.Engineer@emnrd.nm.gov](mailto:OCD.Engineer@emnrd.nm.gov) with the following template for subject line for email:
  - **[Operator name], [Date], [SLO Priority list]**
- Once item has been successfully processed (approved or rejected) the operator shall notify SLO of outcome

OCD would also like to clarify that the SLO Priority List is separate from the Operators Priority List and therefore must come in on separate emails as OCD will verify each submission is an outstanding SLO item. If the OCD cannot determine if the item is an outstanding SLO item, the sundry will not be processed as priority until it is shown to be so.