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## Grid Modernization Advisory Group draft white papers now available for public review

**Santa Fe, NM** – The Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department (EMNRD) announces the availability of draft technical and policy white papers authored by the Grid Modernization Advisory Group (GMAG) for public review. The GMAG, convened in response to 2020's House Bill 233, was charged with producing a series of action-oriented white papers which will inform New Mexico's electric grid modernization plan. These white papers are an integral part of developing a roadmap for modernizing New Mexico's electric grid, a process which will enable the state to fully utilize our renewable energy resources and achieve the goals of the Energy Transition Act.

The GMAG-authored white papers can be <u>accessed here</u>.

The white papers cover the following topics:

- Advanced Metering Infrastructure
- Advanced Inverters
- Modifications to the Integrated Resource Plan
- Customer Engagement
- Creating a State Regional Transmission Organization (RTO) Task Force
- Distribution Resource Planning
- Transmission Planning
- Revising the Interconnection Manual
- Rate Design
- Storage
- LMI Programs

Questions and comments from the public related to the white papers are welcome through March 31, 2021, and should be directed to: <u>nmenergy.roadmap@state.nm.us</u>.

Final versions of the white papers will be released in the spring.

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