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RE: Proposed Rulemaking, Amendments to 19.21.2 NMAC Threatened & Endangered Plants

To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of Protect Americans Now (PAN), a non-profit dedicated to affecting and changing government policy. Through careful research of better solutions designed for a brighter future for generations of Americans to come, we actively educate the public on a broad range of issues that affect them daily, either directly or indirectly, I am writing to comment on the above captioned document.

There was no outreach to the agricultural community that manages the vast majority of the lands in New Mexico and to whom this rule is directed to.

It is difficult if not impossible to locate the documents associated with this rulemaking on the Forestry Division website. For those who do not have internet access, participation in this process is impossible. It is well known that New Mexico has limited internet access, particularly those who live in rural areas.

It is patently unfair to create and impose a rule with penalties “of not less than \$300, nor more than \$1,000 or imprisonment for a term of not more than 120 days or both” without thorough notification of all of those impacted.

For these reasons, PAN respectfully requests at least a 60-day extension to the comment period so landowners and land stewards across the state have the opportunity to participate in their future.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Sincerely

John Richardson

President

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