



**NORTH CENTRAL SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY  
REGULAR MEETING  
THURSDAY, MAY 21, 2026 10:00 AM  
1122 INDUSTRIAL PARK ROAD  
ESPANOLA, NEW MEXICO**

**I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**

A meeting of the North Central Solid Waste Authority was called to order by Chairman Alex Naranjo, at 10:06 am, on May 21, 2026, at the Rio Arriba County Offices, 1122 Industrial Park Road, Espanola, NM.

**ROLL CALL**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Alex Naranjo, Chair, Rio Arriba County  
Jeremy Maestas, Rio Arriba County  
Lucia Sanchez, Ohkay Owingeh  
Bernardino Chavarria, Santa Clara Pueblo (via zoom)

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Leo Marquez, General Manager  
Jose Lovato, Customer Service Director  
Dania Perez, Chief Administrative Officer  
Joe Ortiz, TKM Audit Director  
Elizabeth Martin, Stenographer

**III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chair Naranjo.

**IV. INVOCATION**

Mr. Maestas gave the invocation.

**V. DIRECTORS GREETINGS AND OPENING REMARKS**

The Directors welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**VI. GENERAL MANAGER GREETING AND OPENING REMARKS**

Mr. Marquez welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**VII. APPROVAL OF TODAY'S AGENDA**

Mr. Marquez recommended approval of the agenda as presented.

**MOTION** A motion was made by Mr. Maestas, seconded by Char Naranjo, to approve the agenda as presented.

**VOTE** The motion passed on a voice vote.

**VIII. OLD BUSINESS**

**A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**1. REGULAR MEETING OF APRIL 16, 2026**

Mr. Marquez recommended approval of the minutes.

**MOTION** A motion was made by Ms. Sanchez, seconded by Mr. Maestas, to approve the minutes.

**VOTE** The motion passed on a voice vote.

**IX. PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**X. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. PRESENTATIONS**

**1. AUDIT REPORT**

Mr. Ortiz shared his screen with the presentation of the Audit Report, saying this is his first year doing the audit for North Central. He gave a presentation including the audit process, effective internal controls and compliance, financial statements, balance sheet, audit testing and review. No material matters came up. The opinion given is a "Qualifies Opinion except for", with an adjustment to the financial statements. We followed up on a finding from last year regarding accounts payable and did some

testing. You did make significant progress on this. It is almost cleared. Because we identified the adjustment and accrual for accounts payable those were findings. During the audit we talked about OSA testing and compliance which is a requirement. We were able to get a waiver, but it will be required to be in compliance for next year. We received the release letter from OSA on March 14<sup>th</sup>.

## **2. APRIL 2026 FINANCIAL REPORT**

Mr. Lovato presented the April 2026 Financial report. The report was included in the packet and shared on screen. He gave an overview of the report.

There was discussion.

### **B. ACTION ITEMS**

#### **1. RESOLUTION - DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION:**

##### **A. RESOLUTION 2026-05-01 A RESOLUTION APPROVING TAOS COUNTY CONTRACT.**

Mr. Marquez presented the Resolution and recommended approval.

**MOTION** A motion was made by Ms. Sanchez, seconded by Chair Naranjo, to approve Resolution 2026-05-01.

**VOTE** The motion passed on a voice vote.

##### **A. RESOLUTION 2026-05-02 A RESOLUTION DISPOSING OF NCSWA PROPERTY.**

Mr. Marquez presented the Resolution and recommended approval.

**MOTION** A motion was made by Mr. Maestas, seconded by Ms. Sanchez, to approve Resolution 2026-05-02.

**VOTE** The motion passed on a voice vote

## **XII. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT**

Mr. Marquez said we have been very successful with the community clean ups. We have hazardous and free dump coming up and have notified the public regarding this opportunity. We finally felt the inflation. Our surcharges and fuel costs have

increased.

Ms. Perez gave a presentation on the installation of new cameras at the facility.

**XIII. DIRECTORS REPORT**

None.

**XIV. NEXT MEETING: JUNE 11, 2026**

**XV. MEETING ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION** A motion was made by Mr. Maestas, seconded by Ms. Sanchez, to adjourn the meeting.

**VOTE** The motion passed on a voice vote.

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 10:42 am.

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Alex Naranjo, Chairman

County of Rio Arriba

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by, \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature of Notary Public