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## **New Mexico Department of Transportation Resumes Billing for Federal Reimbursements**

SANTA FE – State Transportation Secretary Gary Girón announced today that the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) will permit the Department to resume eligible federal reimbursements.

“We are working very closely with our federal partners and we are complying with all their requirements to resubmit our federal reimbursements,” said Transportation Secretary Girón. “I want to ensure that the Department will do everything necessary to collect all monies owed to the Department and it is our intention to resubmit any reimbursements that may not be captured by our current billing process.”

On April 14, FHWA temporarily suspended all federal reimbursements until the Department complied with the revised billing format. Since then, the Department has worked with FHWA in complying with their request and will be resubmitting all pending invoices worth approximately \$40 million in the coming days.

“The Department expects to be up-to-date on all billing within the next week,” said Transportation Secretary Girón. “The Department is also working on making necessary upgrades to the current accounting system by the end of June to ensure that all federal reimbursements are processed as required by FHWA.”

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