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**From:** Getto, Leila  
**Sent:** 2018-06-21T13:48:06-04:00  
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**Subject:** Re: [EXTERNAL] Request for Secretary Zinke to Keynote August 14 event in New Mexico  
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Thank you! We'll follow up with you soon.

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On Thu, Jun 21, 2018 at 1:23 PM, NMBC <[nmbiz@nmbizcoalition.org](mailto:nmbiz@nmbizcoalition.org)> wrote:

Hello Leila,

Thanks for taking the time to assist with our request for Secretary Zinke. The form and samples of past events are attached.

I know it's hard for you guys to vet groups like ours who make requests for a speaker (especially when we're requesting the Secretary).

Here are some other articles to help substantiate that we are indeed The Voice of Energy for NM:

[NMBC commentary on Sandoval County oil and gas Ordinance published by Rio Rancho Observer. \(5-16-18\)](#)

[NMBC commentary 'NM energy industry under attack,' published around the state reference frivolous lawsuits aimed at oil and gas industry \(1-7-18\)](#)

[NMBC referenced by Western Wire as source of information on NM oil and gas production \(1-5-18\)](#)

[NMBC quoted by Western Wire reference NM AG Hector Balderas joining California to sue BLM over Methane Rule \(12-20-17\)](#)

[NMBC quoted by Farmington Daily Times reference event at Merrion Oil and Gas showcasing NMBC's affiliation with National Association of Manufacturers \(10-6-17\)](#)

[NMBC quoted by ABQ Business First reference NM oil and gas jobs \(7-13-17\)](#)

[NMBC commentary on Sierra Club using drama, not facts \(7-9-17\)](#)

[NMBC quoted by Energy & Environment News reference BLM methane rule \(7-5-17\)](#)

NMBC quoted by ABQ Business First reference BLM methane rule (6-22-17)

NMBC quoted by The Westerner reference importance of oil and gas (7-6-17)

NMBC quoted by US Newsfeed reference NM clean natural gas production (5-30-17)

NMBC quoted by Shale Oil & Gas Magazine reference Tom Steyer's anti oil and gas money in NM (5-17-17)

NMBC quoted by ABQ Journal reference BLM methane rule (5-11-17)

NMBC quoted by Morning Consult.com reference declining venting and flaring emissions (5-9-17)

NMBC quoted by ABQ Business First reference future of NM's San Juan Basin (4-25-17)

NMBC quoted by Santa Fe New Mexican reference EPA lack of enforcement of Obama-era rule (4-20-17)

NMBC commentary 'BLM has no authority to issue methane rule,' published around the state (3-20-17)

NMBC quoted by Energy Tomorrow reference importance of oil and gas (2-23-17)

NMBC quoted by U.S. News & World Report on oil and gas regulations (2-23-17)

NMBC Quoted by Energy and Environment News (2-21-17)

NMBC Stands for high paying oil and gas jobs (2-8-17)

NMBC quoted by Energy & Environment News reference methane rule rollback (2-3-17)

NMBC quoted by U.S. House Minority Leader Kevin McCarthy reference importance of oil and gas to NM (2-2-17)

NMBC on Chaco Area Fracking Lease Moratorium (2-2-17)

NMBC - What the Frack are they thinking? (2-2-17)

NMBC quoted by Santa Fe New Mexican on how venting and flaring rules impact NM oil and gas (1-27-17)

NMBC National Press on Methane Rule Repeal (1-27-17)

NMBC quoted by Western Wire reference support to repeal BLM Venting And Flaring Rule (1-27-17)

Article in Grant County Beat reference NMBC on national press call reference using CRA to repeal methane rule (1-27-17)

Please let me know if you want any further clarity or additional information.

Best regards,  
Larry

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On Thu, Jun 21, 2018 at 9:36 AM, Getto, Leila <[leila\\_getto@ios.doi.gov](mailto:leila_getto@ios.doi.gov)> wrote:

Dear Larry,  
Thank you for your kind invitation to Secretary Zinke. He greatly appreciates you thinking of him. Can I trouble you for a little a more information by filling out the attached form we ask of everyone? I greatly appreciate your time and help.

Thank you,  
Leila

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On Thu, Jun 21, 2018 at 10:09 AM, NMBC <[nmbiz@nmbizcoalition.org](mailto:nmbiz@nmbizcoalition.org)> wrote:

Hi Leila,  
Rob MacGregor asked that you get a copy of the below request.

Thanks very much,  
Larry

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From: **NMBC** <[nmbiz@nmbizcoalition.org](mailto:nmbiz@nmbizcoalition.org)>

Date: Thu, Jun 21, 2018 at 8:05 AM  
Subject: Request for Secretary Zinke to Keynote August 14 event in New Mexico  
To: [scheduling@ios.doi.gov](mailto:scheduling@ios.doi.gov).

Dear Secretary Zinke and Scheduling Staff,  
New Mexico Business Coalition (NMBC) is pleased to invite Secretary Zinke to an event in New Mexico's San Juan Basin on August 14, 2018.

Itinerary Draft (theme and other event details can be changed based on your input)

**When:** The event is scheduled on August 14, from 5 - 7 pm.

**Where:** In the Four Corners New Mexico - San Juan Basin area, most likely in Farmington, NM.

**What:** The event is called a **BASH (Business and Social Hour)** and would highlight **'Energy and the Vast Natural Resources of our State.'** We would be honored to have Secretary Zinke speak about how the great work going on in the Department of Interior, how it impacts New Mexicans in general and specifically in the San Juan Basin area; etc.

**Who Attends:** State, County and Municipal level elected and appointed officials, San Juan County School of Energy officials/faculty/students, business leaders from all sectors, especially from electric utility, coal mining, energy and oil/gas industries that are heavily active in the 4 Corners region, economic development officials, Chamber of Commerce officials/members, and members of the Farmington and surrounding community. Regional, statewide and national media would also be interested in this event with Secretary Zinke as keynote speaker.

**Travel Arrangement options:** Fly into Durango Co, a one hour drive to Farmington; or fly into Albuquerque, a 3 hour drive to Farmington. There are several nice hotels in Farmington (Marriott & a few others.)

**Depending on the availability of Secretary Zinke and the flight times effecting his arrival in the Farmington area, NMBC can coordinate a meeting with key NM elected/appointed and business leaders (Secretary of NM Energy, Minerals, & Natural Resources, State Land Commissioner, NM Oil & Gas Association, etc.) before/after the BASH event.**

Please let me know if you want any further clarity or additional information.

Best regards,  
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From: **MacGregor, Robert** <[Robert.MacGregor@mail.house.gov](mailto:Robert.MacGregor@mail.house.gov)>  
Date: Wed, Jun 20, 2018 at 12:12 PM  
Subject: RE: August Event, Request Rep. Pearce & Sec. Zinke  
To: "Ranger, Shelby" <[Shelby.Ranger@mail.house.gov](mailto:Shelby.Ranger@mail.house.gov)>, "[nmbiz@nmbizcoalition.org](mailto:nmbiz@nmbizcoalition.org)" <['nmbiz@nmbizcoalition.org'](mailto:nmbiz@nmbizcoalition.org)>

Cc: "Donnelly, Rachel" <[Rachel.Donnelly1@mail.house.gov](mailto:Rachel.Donnelly1@mail.house.gov)>

Hey Larry reached out to DOI to see if the Secretary would be available. They told me that you should send an email to [scheduling@ios.doi.gov](mailto:scheduling@ios.doi.gov) and | They should reply with some sort of official request form to explain the event and the contents of it.

[eila\\_getto@ios.doi.gov](mailto:eila_getto@ios.doi.gov).

Please let us know if you don't hear anything and we will reach out again.

Thanks,

Rob MacGregor

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