

NEW MEXICO DELEGATE SELECTION PLAN

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Section I Introduction & Description of Delegate Selection Process

A. Introduction

1. New Mexico has a total of 42 delegates and 2 alternates. *(Call I & Appendix B)*
2. The delegate selection process is governed by the *Charter and Bylaws of the Democratic Party of the United States*, the *Delegate Selection Rules for the 2024 Democratic National Convention* (“Rules”), the *Call for the 2024 Democratic National Convention* (“Call”), the *Regulations of the Rules and Bylaws Committee for the 2024 Democratic National Convention* (“Regs.”), the *Rules of the DPNM*, the *New Mexico Election Code*, and this *Delegate Selection Plan*. *(Call II.A)*
3. Following the DPNM’s adoption of this Delegate Selection Plan, the DPNM shall submit the Plan for review and approval by the DNC Rules and Bylaws Committee (“RBC”). The DPNM Chair shall be empowered to make any technical revisions to this document as required by the RBC to correct any omissions and/or deficiencies as found by the RBC to ensure its full compliance with Party Rules. Such corrections shall be made by the DPNM Chair and the Plan resubmitted to the RBC within 30 days of receipt of notice of the RBC’s findings. *(Reg. 2.5, Reg. 2.6 & Reg. 2.7)*
4. Once this Plan has been found in Compliance by the RBC, any amendment to the Plan by the DPNM must be submitted to and approved by the RBC before it becomes effective. *(Reg. 2.9)*

B. Description of Delegate Selection Process

1. New Mexico will use a proportional representation system based on the results of the New Mexico Primary Election for apportioning delegates to the 2024 Democratic National Convention.
2. The “first determining step” of New Mexico’s delegate selection process will occur on Tuesday, June 04, 2024, with a Primary Election.

The New Mexico Primary Election will be held statewide in each of the 33 counties in collaboration with other statewide and local primary elections.

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C. Voter Participation

1. Participation in New Mexico’s delegate selection process is open to all registered New Mexico Democrats who wish to participate as Democrats. (Rule 2.A and Rule 2.C.)
 - a. The deadline to register to vote in the first step of the delegate selection process is June 04, 2024 (Primary Election Day). This deadline is for new registrants, voters registered in New Mexico as “Decline to State,” and voters registered in New Mexico with a minor political party.

Any New Mexico voter already registered with a major political party (Democratic, Republican, or Libertarian) in New Mexico will be able to change only their voting address after May 7, 2024, and will not be able to change their party affiliation after May 7, 2024. (Sections 1-4-5.7, NMSA 1978)

For example:

- If a voter is currently registered with any major party affiliation other than Democrat, that voter will need to change their party affiliation to Democrat by May 7, 2024 in order to participate in the New Mexico Democratic Primary.
- If a voter is currently registered as Decline to State (“DTS”), that voter must change their party affiliation to Democrat by June 4, 2024 in order to participate in the New Mexico Democratic Primary.

From May 7 to June 04, 2024, a previously unregistered person may register to vote only at a certified County Clerk’s office or satellite location.

Note: Not all early voting locations will have voter registration available.

- b. Individuals registering to vote outside of the May 7 to June 04, 2024, window can register at any of the following:
 - (1) their County Clerk’s office or
 - (2) with any certified Voter Registration Agent in New Mexico or
 - (3) at <https://www.nmvote.org> or
 - (4) by filling out a National Voter Registration Form (<https://www.eac.gov/voters/register-and-vote-in-your-state/>).

To be a properly registered voter in New Mexico, a voter:

- (1) Must be a resident in New Mexico
- (2) Must be a citizen of the United States of America
- (3) Must not be legally declared mentally incapacitated
- (4) Must not be a convicted felon, unless they have completed all of the required terms and conditions of sentencing

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- (5) Must be 18 years or older at the time of the next general election

Other enrollment procedures and declaration process requirements in New Mexico include:

- (1) New Mexico voters must publicly declare their party preference when they register to vote. (Sections 1-4-5.4 & 1-4-15, NMSA 1978)
 - (2) Primary elections in New Mexico are reserved for major political parties. (The major political parties in New Mexico are: Democratic Party, Republican Party, and Libertarian Party.)
 - (3) New Mexico has a closed primary system – requiring registration as a member of a major political party for participation in that major political party’s primary election.
 - New Mexico voters currently registered as Republican or Libertarian will not be able to participate in the Democratic party’s primary election process in 2024 unless they change their registration to Democratic party affiliation before May 7, 2024.
 - New registrants in New Mexico must register as Democrats before the same-day registration deadline (June 04, 2024) in order to be able to participate in the Democratic party’s primary election process in 2024. (Sections 1-12-7.B & 1-12-7.C, NMSA 1978)
 - New Mexico voters currently registered as Decline To State (“DTS”) must change their registration to Democratic party affiliation before the same-day registration deadline (June 04, 2024) in order to participate in the Democratic party’s primary election process in 2024.
- c. To encourage participation by youth in the delegate selection process, any individual who will have turned 18 by the date of the general election will be allowed to participate in the delegate-selection process.

For the purposes of the primary election, any voter who is seventeen years old on the primary election date, and who will be a registered qualified elector on the day of the general election, shall be considered to be a voter and may vote in the primary election immediately preceding that general election. (Section 1-4-2, NMSA 1978) (Reg. 4.3.C)

- d. At no stage of New Mexico’s delegate selection process shall any person be required, directly or indirectly, to pay a cost or fee as a condition for participating. Voluntary contributions to the DPNM may be made, but under no circumstances shall a contribution be mandatory for participation. Fees and/or contributions associated with the New Mexico delegate selection process could include travel expenses, lodging, and transportation. (Rule 2.D & Reg. 4.4)

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- e. No person shall participate or vote in the nominating process for the Democratic presidential candidate who also participates in the nominating process of any other party for the corresponding election. *(Rule 2.E)*
 - f. Votes shall not be taken by secret ballot at any stage of the delegate selection process, including processes leading up to the selection of DNC Members or State Chairs or Vice Chairs, who serve as DNC members by virtue of their office, except that use of such voting by secret ballot may be used in a process that is the first determining stage of the delegate selection process and in which all individual voters who wish to participate as Democrats are eligible to do so. *(Rule 2.F)*
 - g. No person shall vote in more than one (1) meeting which is the first meeting in the delegate selection process. *(Rule 3.E & Reg. 4.7)*
2. New Mexico is participating in the state-run presidential preference primary that will use government-run voting systems. To accomplish the following goals, the DPNM will take provable positive steps to seek enactment of legislation, rules, and policies at the state and local level to enhance voter and election security.
- a. Maintain secure and accurate state voter registration rolls, so that every eligible American who registers to vote has their personal information protected and secure; *(Rule 2.H.1)*
 - (1) New Mexico state law allows for individuals or groups to make a public records request with regard to voter registration. However, the voter's day and month of birth and social security number are privacy protected. (Section 1-4-12.C, NMSA 1978)
 - (2) The New Mexico Confidential Address Program (CAP) allows victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, or similar types of crimes to receive mail at a confidential address while keeping their actual address private. To be eligible for CAP, a person must be a New Mexico resident, or must be in the process of moving to the state in the near future, and must be a victim of domestic violence, sexual assault, attempted sexual assault, or stalking, or must have fears for their safety or the safety of a family member. (Chapter 40, Article 13, NMSA 1978)
 - (3) The DPNM has a history of advocacy with regard to securing and maintaining accurate state voter registration rolls.
 - (4) DPNM has used social media as a way to raise public awareness and to advocate for the need for purge protocols that maintain an accurate voter registration roll without disenfranchising voters.
 - (5) Additionally, DPNM follows a set of security protocols with Votebuilder, ensuring that only valid users are able to access Votebuilder and that two-factor authentication is used for every login. These protocols help to

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ensure that DPNM is doing its part to secure the state voter file in Votebuilder.

- b. Implement transparent and accurate voter registration list maintenance procedures that comply with federal requirements and ensure that every eligible voter stays on the rolls; *(Rule 2.H.2)*
 - (1) In New Mexico, between every June Primary Election and the November General Election, state law requires the Secretary of State to send notice to all voters who have been identified as having possibly moved without updating their voter registration (NMSA 1978, 1-4-28). Identification of voters who have possibly moved is based on the following criteria:
 - (1) The county clerk sent official election mail to the voter that was returned as undeliverable by the U.S. Postal Service (USPS), or
 - (2) The USPS National Change of Address database indicates a different current address for the voter than where they last registered to vote.
 - (2) The DPNM has a long history of advocating that eligible voters remain on voter rolls.
- c. Promote the acquisition, maintenance, and regular replacement of precinct based optical scan voting systems; *(Rule 2.H.3)*
 - (1) New Mexico uses paper ballots that are scanned on an optical scan tabulating system. This system is used for early voting, absentee voting, and Election Day voting at each polling location. New Mexico's voting equipment is uniform state-wide: Dominion Voting Systems Imagecast Evolution and Imagecast Precinct with ballot marking device (SoS New Mexico).
- d. Ensure that any direct recording electronic systems in place have a voter verified paper record; *(Rule 2.H.4)*
 - (1) New Mexico is statutorily required to use paper ballots for all elections. (Section 1-9-7.1, NMSA 1978)
 - (2) The DPNM continues to advocate for the need of paper ballots to support a verified paper record
- e. Implement risk-limiting post-election audits such as manual audits comparing paper records to electronic records; *(Rule 2.H.5)*
 - (1) Following each general election, New Mexico law requires a post-election audit. The audit focused on the 2022 gubernatorial, a state Supreme Court, Congressional District 1, and Congressional District 2 elections.
 - (2) NM Stat § 1-14-24 (2017) states "An automatic recount of the vote is required when the canvass of returns in a primary or general election for a federal or statewide office, or a judicial office in a county with more than two hundred thousand registered qualified electors, indicates that the margin between the two candidates receiving the greatest number of votes for the office is less than one-fourth of one percent of the total

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votes cast for that office in that election. An automatic recount of the vote is required when the canvass of returns in a primary or general election for any other state office indicates that the margin between the two candidates receiving the greatest number of votes for the office is less than one percent of the total votes cast for that office in that election.”

Two state house offices, State House Districts 32 and 68, qualified for automatic recounts in 2022. The New Mexico Office of the Secretary of State worked with the independent auditor firm Zlotnick & Sandoval. The recounts were completed on December 05, 2022. Zlotnick & Sandoval found no discrepancies.

- (3) The DPNM has a history of advocacy and monitoring with regard to implementing risk-limiting post-election audits, such as manual audits comparing paper records to electronic records.
- f. Ensure that all voting systems have recognized security measures; *(Rule 2.H.6)*
- (1) New Mexico has a series of protocols that are designed to provide adequate security measures with regard to voting systems. These protocols include requirements for storage, transportation, video and alarm surveillance, environmental factors, and maintenance. (Section 1.10.34, NMSA 1978)
 - (2) DPNM continues to work with local leaders to participate in county level activities that monitor voting security, including voting machine certifications for future elections.
- g. Use accessible and secure voting machines that make it possible for individuals with disabilities to vote securely and privately, with votes verifiable by voters; *(Rule 2.H.7)*
- (1) New Mexico is in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and the Help America Vote Act (HAVA). According to the New Mexico Secretary of State's website, voters in New Mexico have a right to:
 - a. Access websites for information, register to vote, or request an absentee ballot
 - b. Vote at any polling site in their county
 - c. Ask an election official for assistance with accessing information about accessible voting or casting their vote
 - d. Use an accessible voting machine at any polling site in their county
 - e. Choose to vote independently or with the help of a friend, family member, caregiver, guardian, or poll worker.
 - (2) New Mexico does not require an excuse as a requirement for requesting an absentee ballot. (Section 1-6-4, NMSA 1978)

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- h. Provide educational materials to enhance public knowledge and confidence in election administration and counter disinformation; *(Rule 2.H.8)*
 - (1) The New Mexico Secretary of State has implemented education and voter outreach efforts to enhance public knowledge and confidence in election administration and to counter disinformation. The New Mexico Secretary of State and New Mexico Attorney General worked in collaboration to issue a voter information advisory for the 2022 General Election. The New Mexico Secretary of State also issued information regarding “How We Secure Your Vote” and “Rumor vs. Reality; Fact checking misinformation about New Mexico’s voting and elections.” The New Mexico Secretary of State updated NMVOTE.ORG to be a one-stop shop for information and resources regarding New Mexico’s elections.
 - (2) The DPNM worked in collaboration with the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee (DCCC) and in-state election lawyers to educate the public about their voting rights.

- i. Actively engaging with state and local officials to implement fair and honest election policies and practices; and *(Rule 2.H.9)*
 - (1) The DPNM continues to invest in voter protection programs to ensure state and local officials are implementing fair and honest election policies and practices statewide. In 2022, DPNM worked with the DCCC on an extensive voter protection program. DPNM invested \$38,790 in a voter protection program to supplement those efforts. We worked to ensure that voters rights were protected and election law was enforced universally in all 33 counties.

- j. Support adequate funding for state and local election administration. *(Rule 2.H.10)*
 - (1) The DPNM continues to support providing adequate funding for state and local election administration.

- 3. In accordance with the Democratic Party’s requirement to assess and improve participation with respect to presidential preference and the delegate selection process, the DPNM has taken and will continue to take provable positive steps with DNC assistance to implement year-round voter protection programs in order to support educational, administrative, legislative, and litigation-based efforts to protect and expand the vote and advance election fairness and security, including the goals set forth below.

DPNM continues to invest in voter protection programs during primary and general election cycles. We will continue to work with county parties and partner organizations to ensure that all qualified voters who wish to participate in the June 04, 2024 primary will be able to participate.

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The New Mexico Primary Election will be held statewide in each of the 33 counties and will follow the timetable and voting procedures of the Office of the Secretary of State. New Mexico has in-person early voting in all counties. New Mexico has no-excuse absentee voting.

- The first day of early voting for the June 04, 2024 primary will be May 07, 2024.
- Early voting will initially be open only at county clerk offices.
- Early voting will expand to early voting sites on May 25, 2024.
- Absentee ballots will be mailed out to voters beginning on May 07, 2024.
- The last day to request an absentee ballot is May 30, 2024.
- Absentee ballots must be received by the appropriate county clerk by 7:00 p.m. on June 04, 2024.

(Rule 2.1 and 2.1.1)

- a. Expand access to voting, including by early voting, no-excuse absentee voting, same-day voter registration, drop boxes and voting by mail; *(Rule 2.1.1.a)*
 - (1) New Mexico has early voting in all counties. Early voting for the 2024 presidential primary will begin on May 07, 2024 at all New Mexico County Clerks offices. Voting will expand to all early voting polling locations on May 25, 2024. The last day of early vote is June 01, 2024. Locations, hours, and dates vary from county to county and are determined by the local county clerk. As early vote locations are determined, they can be found at www.nmvote.org (Section 1-6-5.7, NMSA 1978)
 - (2) New Mexico does not require an excuse as a requirement for requesting an absentee ballot. (Section 1-6-4, NMSA 1978). Requested absentee ballots are sent out to voters beginning 28 days prior to the Primary election (May 07, 2024) and no later than the Friday prior to the Primary election (May 31, 2024). The deadline for requesting an absentee ballot is the Thursday prior to the Primary election (May 30, 2024).
- b. Ensure that voting locations are accessible, fairly placed, and adequate in number, and have a sufficient number of voting machines; *(Rule 2.1.1.b)*
 - (1) The 2024 New Mexico Primary Election will be held statewide in each of the 33 counties in collaboration with other statewide and local primary elections. The election will be government administered in each county by the appropriate county clerk's office.
 - (2) The DPNM advocates that all voting locations are accessible, fairly placed, and adequate in number, and have a sufficient number of voting machines. In 2022, DPNM partnered with the DCCC's voter protection team and invested \$38,780 in election protection legal services.
- c. Speed up the voting process and minimize long lines; *(Rule 2.1.1.c)*
 - (1) The 2024 New Mexico Primary Election will be held statewide in each of the 33 counties in collaboration with other statewide and local primary

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- elections. The election will be government administered in each county by the appropriate county clerk's office.
- (2) The DPNM continues to advocate for straight ticket voting to help speed up the voting process.
 - (3) The DPNM continues to advocate for adequate staffing and voting machines at all polling locations.
 - (4) The DPNM continues to advocate for additional early and same-day voting locations.
- d. Eliminate onerous and discriminatory voter identification requirements; (*Rule 2.1.1.d*)
1. The 2024 New Mexico Primary Election will be held statewide in each of the 33 counties in collaboration with other statewide and local primary elections. The election will be government administered in each county by the appropriate county clerk's office.
 2. New Mexico requires that a voter state their name and address to the election judge when voting in person. The election judge will verify the name on the voter roster and may ask the voter to provide the required voter identification. (Section 1-12-10, NMSA 1978) This required voter identification could be:
 - Physical identification, for example photo identification or utility/bank statement: This identification is required when a voter registers for the first time in New Mexico via mail or online without providing proper documentation. (Section 1-1-24.A, NMSA 1978)
 - Verbal or written statement of voter's name, address, and birth date by the voter to the election judge: This identification is for all voters other than first-time voters who registered via mail or online without proper documentation. (Section 1-1-24.B, NMSA 1978)
 3. The DPNM works to ensure that voters are not subjected to onerous and discriminatory voter identification requirements. In 2022, DPNM partnered with the DCCC's voter protection team and invested \$38,780 in election protection legal services. The voter protection team had an election protection hotline for voters to flag onerous and discriminatory voter identification requirements to DPNM for resolution. DPNM had challengers across the state at voting locations to ensure that there were no violations regarding voter identification.
- e. Count and include in the final total ballots from voters who are eligible to vote but cast their ballots in the wrong precinct, for offices for which they are eligible to vote; and (*Rule 2.1.1.e*)
- (1) New Mexico voters are permitted to cast ballots at voter convenience centers throughout their county rather than casting ballots by precinct. (NMS § 1-3-4)

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- f. Facilitate military and overseas voting. (*Rule 2.1.1.f*)
 - (1) The New Mexico Secretary of State follows the “Uniform Military and Overseas Voters Act” for protocol and procedure for military and overseas voting in New Mexico. (Sections 1-6A-1 to 1-6A-12, NMSA 1978)
 - (2) DPNM worked with and will continue to work with Democrats Abroad to contact New Mexican voters living abroad about how to properly submit their absentee ballots. In 2022, DPNM worked with Democrats Abroad to contact the 1,569 voters in this universe.

- 4. As part of encouraging participation in the delegate selection process by registered voters, DPNM has worked to make voter registration and participation easier in New Mexico: (*Rule 2.1.2*)
 - a. Voter registration modernization, including online voter registration and automatic and same-day registration; (*Rule 2.1.2.a*)
 - (1) New Mexico allows for online voter registration as long as the voter has either a state-issued driver’s license or state-issued identification card. (Section 1-4-18.1, NMSA 1978)
 - (2) As of 2019, New Mexico allows for same-day registration. A qualified elector may register to vote at any voting location. The voter will be asked to sign an affidavit under oath that the elector has not voted in the election in the state or elsewhere. Registered voters may also update their voter registration same-day. A voter shall not be allowed to change (major) party affiliation when updating an existing certificate of registration or registering to vote at an early voting site or polling place during a primary election. (NM Stat § 1-4-5.7 (2019))
 - a. A qualified elector seeking to register to vote or update an existing certificate of registration immediately before voting shall provide one of the following:
 - i. a New Mexico driver's license or New Mexico identification card issued through the motor vehicle division of the taxation and revenue department; or
 - ii. any document that contains an address in the county together with a photo identification card; or
 - iii. a current valid student photo identification card from a post-secondary educational institution in New Mexico accompanied by a current student fee statement that contains the student's address in the county. (NM Stat § 1-4-5.7 (2019))

 - b. Pre-registration of high-school students so that they are already registered once they reach voting age; (*Rule 2.1.2.b*)
 - (1) For the purposes of the primary election, any voter who is seventeen years old on the primary election date, and who will be a registered qualified

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- elector on the day of the general election, shall be considered to be a voter and may vote in the primary election immediately preceding that general election. (Section 1-4-2, NMSA 1978)
- (2) DPNM has worked with many county parties within the DPNM to regularly pre-register high school students as part of their voter registration efforts.
- c. Restoration of voting rights to all people who have served the time for their criminal conviction, without requiring the payment of court fees or fines; and (Rule 2.1.2.c)
- (1) New Mexico allows for a person who has been convicted of a felony to be restored the right to vote when that person (Section 1-4-27.1, NMSA 1978):
 - i. A) has been unconditionally discharged from a correctional facility, and
 - ii. B) has completed all conditions of parole or supervised probation, or
 - iii. C) has had the conviction overturned on appeal
 - (2) The DPNM supports restoration of voting rights to all people who have met the criteria of their criminal conviction.
 - (3) DPNM has used its website, social media, direct voter outreach, and engagement to provide voting information accessible to all voters statewide, including voters' rights around restoration of voting rights after felony convictions.
- d. Same-day or automatic registration of voters for the Democratic presidential nominating process.] (Rule 2.1.2.d)
- (1) The DPNM supports same-day and automatic registration of voters.
 - (2) As of 2019, New Mexico allows for same-day registration. A qualified elector may register to vote at any voting location. The voter will be asked to sign an affidavit under oath that the elector has not voted in the election in the state or elsewhere. Registered voters may also update their voter registration same-day. A registered voter shall not be allowed to change (major) party affiliation when updating an existing certificate of registration or registering to vote at an early voting site or polling place during a primary election. (NM Stat § 1-4-5.7 (2019))
 - (3) A qualified elector seeking to register to vote or update an existing certificate of registration immediately before voting shall provide one of the following:
 - i. (1) a New Mexico driver's license or New Mexico identification card issued through the motor vehicle division of the taxation and revenue department; or
 - ii. (2) any document that contains an address in the county together with a photo identification card; or
 - iii. (3) a current valid student photo identification card from a post-secondary educational institution in New Mexico accompanied by a current student fee statement that contains the student's address in the county. (NM Stat § 1-4-5.7 (2019))

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5. The DPNM has taken steps to ensure an open and inclusive government-run Primary election process, and has resisted attempts at voter suppression and disenfranchisement. This has been done by advocating for same-day voter registration and for revision of DPNM rules. (Rule 2.J and Rule 2.J.1)
 - a. DPNM has followed this commitment by advocating for progressive and comprehensive voter-rights legislation, investing in comprehensive voter protection legal team and hotline, and revision of DPNM Party rules. In 2022, DPNM partnered with the DCCC's voter protection team and invested \$38,780 in election protection legal services. We will continue to work with election lawyers in-state and partner organizations on voter protection.
 - b. In 2019, the New Mexico Legislature passed a bill to allow for same-day registration. The bill was signed into law by Gov. Michelle Lujan Grisham. The bill was strongly supported by DPNM. With the passage of the bill, a qualified elector may register to vote at any voting location. The voter will be asked to sign an affidavit under oath that the elector has not voted in the election in the state or elsewhere. Registered voters may also update their voter registration same-day. A voter shall not be allowed to change (major) party affiliation when updating an existing certificate of registration or registering to vote at an early voting site or polling place during a primary election. (NM Stat § 1-4-5.7 (2019))
 - c. Currently (Feb 03, 2023), DPNM Rules state the following:
 - a. For the purposes of these Rules, a person's status is defined as their sex, race, age, color, creed, national origin, religion, economic status, sexual orientation, gender identity, ethnic identity, or disability. (Article I, Rule 3.4)
 - b. All public meetings at all levels of the DPNM are open to all members of the DPNM regardless of their status, as defined in Article I, Rule 3.4. (Article I, Rule 3.4.1)
 - c. Requiring prospective or current members of the Democratic Party in any way to acquiesce in, condone, or support discrimination on the grounds of any person's status as defined in Article I, Rule 3.4 is prohibited. (Article I, Rule 3.4.5.1)
 - d. The DPNM, at all levels, shall support the broadest possible voter registration and participation in the DPNM, without discrimination on the basis of a person's status, as defined in Article I, Rule 3.4. (Article I, Rule 3.4.5)
 - e. Meetings of the DPNM at all levels:
 - shall be publicized fully and in such manner as to assure timely notice to all party members.
 - shall be held in venues large enough, with provision for sufficient room as practicable, to accommodate all interested parties. (Article I, Rule 3.4.2)

D. Scheduling of Delegate Selection Meetings

The dates, times, and places for all official Party meetings and events related to the state's delegate selection process must be scheduled to encourage the participation of all Democrats. Such meetings must begin and end at reasonable hours. For all official meetings and events related to this process, the DPNM is responsible for selecting the dates and times, as well as locating and confirming the availability of publicly accessible facilities. In addition, the scheduling of meetings shall consider any religious observations that could significantly affect participation. (*Rule 3.A & Reg. 4.*)

Section II Presidential Candidates

A. Ballot Access

A presidential candidate gains access to the New Mexico presidential preference primary ballot by the following:

1. A presidential candidate gains access to the New Mexico presidential preference primary ballot in one of two ways, pursuant to New Mexico State Law:

- (1) Nomination by Committee or

- (2) Nomination by Petition.

The State of New Mexico does not have a filing procedure, deadline, or fees for presidential candidates seeking placement on the ballot.

The DPNM Rules do not place additional requirements or filing fees on presidential candidates seeking placement on the ballot.

The ballot position for the uncommitted category shall be placed last on the presidential primary ballot. The uncommitted category is an automatic category in New Mexico. (NMSA 1-15A-8.A)

- A. Nomination by Committee: No later than February 15th, 2024, the Chief Justice of the New Mexico Supreme Court will chair a committee meeting to nominate and certify to the Secretary of State the names of all presidential candidates “generally advocated and nationally recognized or supported by any major political party in the state as candidates of the major political parties participating in the presidential primary.” (NMSA 1978 1-15A-5)

Committee members include:

- 1) the Chief Justice
- 2) Speaker of the NM House
- 3) Minority Leader of the NM House
- 4) President Pro Tempore of the NM Senate
- 5) Minority Leader of the NM Senate
- 6) State Chairpersons of the major political parties

While not required by law or DPNM Rules, Democratic presidential candidates should communicate their intention to seek nomination via committee to the DPNM Chair in writing by January 15, 2024 to ensure that the Chair can advocate for appropriate candidates (i.e., those “generally advocated and nationally recognized”) in the committee meeting.

- B. Nomination by Petition: As an alternative to the “Nomination by Committee” option, candidates seeking ballot placement can submit petition signatures to the Secretary of State (on a form provided by the New Mexico Secretary of State). The petition must be signed “by a number of registered voters in each of the

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congressional districts equal to not less than two percent of the total number of votes for president cast in each district at the last preceding presidential election.” These signatures are due no later than 30 days following the nominations by committee. (NMSA 1978 1-15A-6)

The Secretary of State will contact each candidate who has been nominated by the committee or petition via certified mail at least 63 days prior to the election (no later than April 02, 2024) to confirm that the candidate will be placed on the primary ballot. (NM Stat § 1-15A-7 (2021))

(Rule 11.C, Rule 14.A, Rule 14.C, Rule 14.D, Rule 14.E, & Rule 15.H)

B. Other Requirements

1. Each presidential candidate shall certify in writing to the DPNM the name(s) of their authorized representative(s) by **April 04, 2024**. *(Rule 13.D.1)*
2. Each presidential candidate (including uncommitted status) shall use their best efforts to ensure that their respective delegation within the New Mexico delegation achieves the affirmative action, outreach, and inclusion goals established by this Plan and is equally divided between men and women. *(Rule 6.I)*

Section III Selection of Delegates and Alternates

A. District-Level Delegates

1. New Mexico is allocated 19 district-level delegates.
(Rule 8.C, Call I.B, I.I, & Appendix B)
2. District-level National Convention delegates shall be elected at the Congressional District Conventions on June 15, 2024.

Eligible voters at the Congressional District Conventions will be the County Delegates elected at the County Party Post-Primary Conventions.

Each Congressional District Convention will take place virtually or at a location within that congressional district.

- a) Step 1: County Party Post-Primary Conventions (held on June 8th, 2024) will elect County Post-Primary Delegates. Those County Delegates will attend their appropriate Congressional District Convention (on June 15th) and then the State Convention (on June 22nd).
- b) Step 2: County Delegates who attend the Congressional District Conventions on June 15, 2024 will elect District-level National Convention delegates.

3. Apportionment of District-Level Delegates

- a. New Mexico's District-level National Convention Delegates are apportioned among the districts based on a formula giving equal weight to the vote for the Democratic candidates in the 2020 presidential and the 2022 gubernatorial elections.

This method was selected as the most inclusive because it uses the most recent data and is therefore the most reflective of New Mexico's changing population. *(Rule 8.A, Reg. 4.12, Reg. 4.11 & Appendix A)*

- b. The number of men and the number of women in the state's total number of District-level Delegates will vary by no more than one. *(Rule 6.C.1 & Reg. 4.9)*
- c. The District-level Delegates are apportioned to districts as indicated in the following table, assuming no gender-diverse delegates:

District	Delegates		
	Males	Females	Total
#1	4	4	8
#2	2	3	5
#3	3	3	6

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District	Delegates		
	Males	Females	Total
Total	9	10	19

4. District-Level Delegate Filing Requirements

- a. A candidate for District-level Delegate may run for election only within the district in which they are registered to vote. Upon receipt of a delegate candidate's Declaration of Candidacy form, DPNM will confirm the candidate's voting district on the New Mexico Secretary of State's Online "voter lookup" portal (nmvote.org) (*Rule 13.H*)
- b. An individual can qualify as a candidate for District-level Delegate to the 2024 Democratic National Convention by filing a Declaration of Candidacy form designating their singular presidential (or uncommitted) preference and a signed Pledge of Support for the presidential candidate (including uncommitted status) with the DPNM by May 17, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.

A District-level Delegate candidate may modify their singular presidential preference by submitting an updated Pledge of Support no later than the filing deadline.

The Declaration of Candidacy form will be distributed by DPNM no later than March 3, 2024 via DPNM's website, email list, and social media accounts.

Signed Declaration of Candidacy forms can be returned via USPS mail to the DPNM, PO Box 27615, Albuquerque, NM 87125.

Online Declaration of Candidacy forms will also be accepted electronically. (*Rule 13.B, Rule 15.F & Reg. 4.22*)

5. Presidential Candidate Right of Review for District-Level Delegates

- a. The DPNM Chair shall convey to the presidential candidate, or that candidate's authorized representative(s), not later than May 22, 2024, a list of all persons who have filed for delegate pledged to that presidential candidate. (*Rule 13.D & Rule 13.F*)
- b. Each presidential candidate, or that candidate's authorized representative(s), must then file with the DPNM Chair by June 02, 2024 at 5:00 p.m., a list of all such candidates they have approved, provided that approval be given to at least three (3) separate individuals for each delegate position to be selected. (*Rule 13.E.1, Reg. 4.23 & Reg. 4.24*)
- c. Failure to respond will be deemed approval of all delegate candidates submitted to the presidential candidate unless the presidential candidate, or

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the authorized representative(s), signifies otherwise in writing to the DPNM Chair not later than June 02, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.

- d. Candidates for National Convention Delegate who are removed from the list of bona fide supporters by a presidential candidate, or that candidate's authorized representative(s), may not be elected as a National Convention Delegate at that level pledged to that presidential candidate. (*Rule 13.E & Reg. 4.23*)
- e. The DPNM Chair shall certify in writing to the Co-Chairs of the DNC Rules and Bylaws Committee whether each presidential candidate has used their best efforts to ensure that their respective District-level Delegate candidates meet the affirmative action and outreach & inclusion considerations and goals detailed in the Affirmative Action section of this Plan within three (3) business days of returning the list of approved District-level Delegate candidates as indicated in Section III.A.5.b of this Plan. (*Rule 6.I & Reg.4.10.C*)

6. Fair Reflection of Presidential Preference

- a. Presidential Primary - Proportional Representation Plan (*Rule 14.A, Rule 14.B & Rule 14.D*):

The New Mexico presidential primary election is a "binding" primary. Accordingly, National Convention Delegate positions shall be allocated so as to fairly reflect the expressed presidential (or uncommitted) preference of the primary voters in each district. The National Convention Delegates selected at the District level shall be allocated in proportion to the percentage of the primary vote won in that District by each presidential preference, except that presidential preferences falling below a 15% threshold shall not be awarded any delegates.

- b. Within a Congressional District, if no presidential preference reaches a 15% threshold, the threshold shall be half the percentage of the vote received in that District by the front-runner. (*Rule 14.F*)
- c. National Convention Delegates pledged to a presidential candidate will be elected by County Post-Primary Delegates who are also in support of that presidential candidate. The County Post-Primary Delegates will sign their name in support of one presidential candidate when they register for both the District and State Conventions, before they receive the appropriate ballot(s) for electing National Convention Delegates/Alternates. (*Rule 13.G*)

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7. Equal Division of District-Level Delegates

- a. District-level delegates may be people who self-identify as Female/Woman, Male/Man, or Gender-Diverse. Within each District-level delegation, the variance between self-identified women and self-identified men shall not be more than one (1). A variance of zero (0) or one (1) between (self-identified) women and men is the definition of “gender balanced.”

Gender-diverse people elected as District-level delegates shall be counted as members of the District-level delegation, but they shall not be counted as women or men. They shall be counted as gender-diverse people.

To ensure that the entire delegation of District-level delegates (from CD-1, CD-2, and CD-3) is gender balanced, the election of District-level delegates will be staggered in time:

- The election results of CD-2 District-level delegates will be calculated first (CD-2 has the smallest number delegates – currently 5).
- The election results of CD-3 District-level delegates will be calculated second (CD-3 has the next number of delegates – currently 6).
- The election results of CD-1 District-level delegates will be calculated last (CD-1 has the largest number of delegates – currently 8).

The election results from CD-2 could influence the allowable (gendered) configurations of results in CD-3, depending on whether any gender-diverse Delegates are elected in CD-2.

Similarly, the election results from CD-2 and CD-3, combined, could influence the allowable (gendered) configurations of results in CD-1, depending on whether any gender-diverse Delegates are elected in CD-2 or CD-3.

Examples of different possible gender configurations of elected delegates, and how the configurations in CD-2 can affect allowable configurations in CD-3, and so on, are available upon request.

(Rule 6.C., Rule 6.C.1 & Reg. 4.10)

DPNM will use this process to ensure that District-level delegates are gender balanced at the individual CD level and at the composite CD level (the sum of all three CDs):

1. Number of Delegate Positions Designated by Presidential Preference

Within each congressional district, the number of delegate positions will be designated by presidential preference (for those preferences that are “viable”).

- The presidential preference receiving the highest percentage of votes in the primary election in that congressional district will receive the highest number of delegate positions, proportional to the percentage of primary-election votes received by that presidential preference.

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- The presidential preference receiving the next highest percentage of votes in the primary election in that congressional district will receive the next highest number of delegate positions, proportional to the percentage of primary-election votes received by that presidential preference.
- And so on, until all delegate positions have been designated for all viable presidential preferences within the congressional district.

2. Counting Ballots for District-Level Delegates

Within each congressional district, the ballots for the presidential preference receiving the lowest percentage of primary-election votes will be counted first. If the first (lowest) presidential preference has been allocated two or more District-level delegates, the elected delegates will be gender balanced.

- After the District-level delegates for that first (lowest) presidential preference have been declared elected, the allowable gender configuration(s) of delegates for the presidential preference receiving the second-lowest percentage of primary-election votes will be determined.

Then the ballots for the second-lowest presidential preference will be counted. If that second-lowest presidential preference has been allocated two or more District-level delegates, the elected delegates for that preference will be gender balanced, and the running total of elected delegates for the District will be gender balanced.

- After the District-level delegates for that second-lowest presidential preference have been declared elected, the allowable gender configuration(s) of delegates for the presidential preference receiving the next-highest percentage of primary-election votes will be determined.

Then the ballots for that next-highest presidential preference will be counted. If that next-highest presidential preference has been allocated two or more District-level delegates, the elected delegates for that preference will be gender balanced, and the running total of elected delegates for the District will be gender balanced.

This process of “counting ballots / declaring winners and maintaining gender balance / determining allowable gender configuration(s) for the next preference” will continue until all the District-level delegates for all viable presidential preferences in that District have been declared elected and the sum of all delegates in that District is gender balanced.

Examples of different possible gender configurations of elected delegates, and how the gender configuration of delegates for one presidential preference can affect the allowable configurations for the next-highest presidential preference, are available upon request.

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3. Types of Ballots Used for Electing District-Level Delegates

Four types of ballots will be used to elect District-level delegates.

1. All-Gender Ranked Choice Ballots

If a presidential preference has been allocated one District-level delegate, the voters will use an “all-gender” ranked-choice ballot (aka “instant runoff” ballot) with one eventual declared winner. Candidates may be self-identified women, men, and gender-diverse people.

2. Separate Non-M and Non-F Ranked Choice Ballots

If the presidential preference has been allocated two District-level delegates, the voters will vote on two separate ranked-choice ballots, with one eventual declared winner per ballot.

- Candidates on Non-M ballots may be self-identified women and gender-diverse people (that is, “non-male” candidates).
- Candidates on Non-F ballots may be self-identified men and gender-diverse people (that is, “non-female” candidates).

3. All-Genders Ranked-Preference Ballot

If the presidential preference has been allocated three or more District-level delegates, the voters will vote on one ranked-preference ballot.

Each voter will be able to vote for up to N candidates, where N is the number of District-level delegates allocated to that presidential preference.

When the ranked-preference ballots are tallied, the delegates who are declared elected are those candidates who (1) receive the highest ranked-preference score and (2) fill the allowable gendered positions. If necessary, tie-breakers by chance will be conducted.

Examples of possible configurations of elected delegates by gender and ranked preference scores are available upon request.

8. The DPNM Chair shall certify in writing to the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee (DNC) the election of DPNM’s District-level delegates to the Democratic National Convention within ten (10) days after their election. (*Rule 8.C & Call IV.A*)

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B. Automatic Delegates

1. Automatic Party Leaders and Elected Officials

a. The following categories (if applicable) shall constitute the Automatic Party Leaders and Elected Official delegate positions:

- (1) Members of the Democratic National Committee who legally reside in New Mexico; (*Rule 9.A.1, Call I.F, Call I.J, & Reg. 4.15*)
- (2) Democratic President and Democratic Vice President (if applicable); (*Rule 9.A.2 & Call I.G*)
- (3) All of New Mexico's Democratic Members of the U.S. House of Representatives and the U.S. Senate; (*Rule 9.A.3, Call I.H & Call I.J*)
- (4) The Democratic Governor (if applicable); (*Rule 9.A.4, Call I.H & Call I.J*)
- (5) "Distinguished Party Leader" delegates who legally reside in New Mexico (if applicable).

Persons who qualify as "Distinguished Party Leader" delegates are:

- all former Democratic Presidents or Vice Presidents,
- all former Democratic Leaders of the U.S. Senate,
- all former Democratic Speakers of the U.S. House of Representatives and Democratic Minority Leaders, as applicable, and
- all former Chairs of the Democratic National Committee.

(*Rule 9.A.5, Call I.G & Reg. 4.14*)

b. An Automatic delegate may run and be elected as a Pledged delegate. If an Automatic delegate is elected and certified as a Pledged delegate, that individual shall not serve as an Automatic delegate at the 2024 National Convention. (*Call I.J*)

c. The certification process for the Automatic Party Leader and Elected Official delegates is as follows:

- (1) Not later than March 6, 2024, the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee shall officially confirm to the DPNM Chair the names of the Automatic delegates who legally reside in New Mexico. (*Rule 9.A*)
- (2) Official confirmation by the Secretary shall constitute verification of the Automatic delegates from the categories indicated above. (*Call IV.B.1*)

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- (3) The DPNM Chair shall certify in writing to the Secretary of the DNC the presidential preference of state's Automatic delegates 10 days after the completion of the New Mexico Delegate Selection Process. *(Call IV.C)*
2. For purposes of achieving gender balance between delegates and alternates within New Mexico's entire convention delegation (determined by gender self-identification), the entire delegation includes all Pledged and Automatic delegates, including those who identify as female, male, or gender-diverse. *(Rule 6.C and Reg. 4.9)*

C. Pledged Party Leader and Elected Official Delegates (PLEOs)

1. New Mexico is allotted 4 Pledged Party Leader and Elected Official (PLEO) delegates. *(Call I.D, Call I.E & Appendix B)*
2. Pledged PLEO Delegate Filing Requirements
 - a. Individuals shall be eligible for the Pledged Party Leader and Elected Official (PLEO) delegate positions according to the following priority:
 1. big city mayors and state-wide elected officials (to be given equal consideration)
 2. state legislative leaders
 3. state legislators
 4. other elected officials and party leaders (state, county, and local)

Automatic delegates who choose to run for Pledged PLEO delegate will be given equal consideration with big city mayors and state-wide elected officials. *(Rule 10.A.1 & Reg. 4.16)*

- b. An individual can qualify as a candidate for a position as a pledged PLEO delegate by filing a Declaration of Candidacy form designating their singular presidential preference (or uncommitted status) with DPNM by May 22, 2024.

A Pledged PLEO delegate candidate may modify their singular presidential preference by submitting an updated Declaration of Candidacy form no later than the filing deadline. The Declaration of Candidacy form will also require that candidates provide accurate and complete contact and demographic information.

The Declaration of Candidacy form will be distributed by DPNM no later than March 03, 2024. Signed Declaration of Candidacy forms can be returned via mail to the DPNM at PO Box 27615, Albuquerque, NM 87125. Online Declaration of Candidacy forms will also be accepted electronically. Please contact DPNM at 505.985.3988 for more information. *(Rule 15.G, Reg.4.18 & Reg. 4.17)*

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3. Presidential Candidate Right of Review
 - a. The DPNM Chair shall convey to the presidential candidate, or that candidate's authorized representative(s), no later than June 18, 2024 at 5:00 p.m., a list of all persons who have filed for a position as a Pledged Party Leader and Elected Official (PLEO) delegate pledged to that presidential candidate. *(Rule 13.D)*
 - b. Each presidential candidate, or that candidate's authorized representative(s), must file with the DPNM Chair, by June 20, 2024 at 5:00 p.m., a list of all such candidates they have approved, as long as approval is given to at least two (2) names for every position to which the presidential candidate is entitled. *(Rule 13.E.2 & Reg. 4.24)*

(Rule 13.D.3, Rule 13.E.2 & Reg. 4.24)
 - c. Failure to respond will be deemed approval of all pledged PLEO delegate candidates submitted to the presidential candidate unless the presidential candidate or the authorized representative(s) signifies otherwise in writing to the DPNM Chair not later than June 20, 2024 by 5:00 p.m. *(Rule 13.D)*
 - d. The DPNM Chair shall certify in writing to the Co-Chairs of the DNC Rules and Bylaws Committee whether each presidential candidate has used their best efforts to ensure that their respective pledged PLEO delegate candidates meet the affirmative action and outreach & inclusion considerations and goals detailed in the Affirmative Action section of this Plan within three (3) business days of returning the list of approved pledged PLEO delegates candidates as indicated in Section III.C.3.b of this Plan. *(Rule 6.I & Reg. 4.10.C)*
4. Selection of Pledged Party Leader and Elected Official (PLEO) Delegates
 - a. The Pledged PLEO slots shall be allocated among presidential preferences on the same basis as the At-Large delegates. *(Rule 10.A.2, Rule 11.C, Rule 14.E & Rule 14.F)*
 - b. Selection of the Pledged PLEO delegates will occur at 2:00 p.m. on June 22, 2024 at the Albuquerque Convention Center, which is after the election of District-level delegates and prior to the election of At-large delegates and Alternates. *(Rule 10.A)*
 - c. These PLEO delegates will be elected by County Post-Primary Delegates at the State Post-Primary Convention on June 22, 2024. *(Rule 10.B)*

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5. The DPNM Chair shall certify in writing to the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee the election of the state's Pledged Party Leader and Elected Official delegates to the Democratic National Convention within ten (10) days after their election. *(Call IV.A & Reg. 5.4.A)*

D. At-Large Delegates and Alternates

1. The state of New Mexico is allotted 6 At-large Delegates and 2 At-large Alternates. *(Rule 8.C, Call I.B, II, Appendix B & Reg. 4.32)*
2. At-Large Delegate and Alternate Filing Requirements
 - a. Persons desiring to seek At-large Delegate or Alternate positions shall file a Declaration of Candidacy form designating their singular presidential or uncommitted preference and a signed Pledge of Support form for that presidential candidate (including uncommitted status) with the DPNM by **May 22, 2024** at 5:00 p.m.

A Delegate or Alternate candidate may modify their singular presidential preference by submitting an updated Pledge of Support no later than the filing deadline. *(Rule 13.A., Rule 13.B, Rule 15.G, Reg. 4.21, Reg. 4.22, & Reg. 4.29)*

3. Presidential Candidate Right of Review
 - a. The DPNM Chair shall convey to each presidential candidate, or that candidate's authorized representative(s), not later than June 3rd, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. a list of all persons who have filed for At-large Delegate or Alternate pledged to that presidential candidate. *(Rule 13.D) (Reg. 4.23.D & Reg. 4.29.C)*
 - b. Each presidential candidate, or that candidate's authorized representative(s), must then file with the DPNM Chair, by June 22, 2024, no more than sixty (60) minutes after the results of the PLEO election are announced, a list of all such candidates they have approved, provided that, at a minimum, two (2) names remain for every National Convention At-large Delegate or Alternate position to which the presidential candidate is entitled. *(Rule 13.D.4, Rule 13.E.2 & Reg. 4.24)*
 - c. Failure to respond will be deemed approval of all At-large Delegate and Alternate candidates submitted to the presidential candidate unless the presidential candidate or the authorized representative(s) signifies otherwise in writing to the DPNM Chair no later than June 22, 2024, sixty (60) minutes after the results of the PLEO election are announced.

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- d. The DPNM Chair shall certify in writing to the Co-Chairs of the DNC Rules and Bylaws Committee whether each presidential candidate has used their best efforts to ensure that their respective At-large Delegate candidates and At-large Alternate candidates meet the affirmative action and outreach & inclusion considerations and goals detailed in the Affirmative Action and Outreach & Inclusion section of this Plan within three (3) business days of returning the list of approved At-large Delegate candidates and At-large Alternate candidates as indicated in this Section.
4. Fair Reflection of Presidential Preference
 - a. At-large Delegate and Alternate positions shall be allocated among presidential preferences according to the results of the state-wide primary vote. (*Rule 11.C*)
 - b. Presidential preferences which have not attained a 15% threshold on a state-wide basis shall not be entitled to any At-large Delegates. (*Rule 14.E*)
 - c. If no presidential preference reaches a 15% threshold, the threshold shall be half the percentage of the state-wide vote received by the front-runner. (*Rule 14.F*)
 - d. If a presidential candidate otherwise entitled to an allocation is no longer a candidate at the time of selection of the At-large delegates, that presidential candidate's allocation will be proportionally divided among the other preferences entitled to an allocation. (*Rule 11.C*)
 - e. If a given presidential preference is entitled to one (1) or more delegate positions but would not otherwise be entitled to an Alternate position, that preference shall be allotted one (1) At-large Alternate position. (*Rule 19.B, Call I.I & Reg. 4.31*)
 5. Selection of At-Large Delegates and Alternates
 - a. The selection of the At-large Delegates and Alternates will occur after the selection of PLEO delegates on June 22, 2024 at the DPNM Post-Primary State Convention at the Albuquerque Convention Center. (*Call III*)
 - b. These At-large Delegates and Alternates will be selected by the electors at the DPNM Post-Primary State Convention. At the DPNM Post-Primary State Convention, the electors (voters) are the County Post-Primary Delegates. (*Rule 10.B, Rule 11.B & Rule 11.B*)
 - If a presidential preference has been allocated one (1) At-Large Delegate, the voters will use an "all-gender" ranked-choice ballot (aka "instant

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runoff” ballot) with one eventual declared winner. Candidates may be self-identified women, men, and gender-diverse people.

- If the presidential preference has been allocated two (2) At-Large Delegates, the voters will vote on two separate ranked-choice ballots (Non-M and Non-F), with one eventual declared winner per ballot.
 - Candidates on Non-M ballots may be self-identified women and gender-diverse people (that is, “non-male” candidates).
 - Candidates on Non-F ballots may be self-identified men and gender-diverse people (that is, “non-female” candidates).
- If the presidential preference has been allocated three (3) or more At-Large Delegates, the voters will vote on one ranked-preference ballot.
 - Each voter will be able to vote for up to N candidates, where N is the number of At-Large Delegates allocated to that presidential preference.
 - When the ranked-preference ballots are tallied, the delegates who are declared elected are those candidates who (1) receive the highest ranked-preference score and (2) fill the allowable gendered positions. If necessary, tie-breakers by random number generation will be conducted.

Examples of possible configurations of elected At-Large Delegates by gender and ranked preference scores are available upon request.

c. Priority of Consideration

- (1) In the selection of the At-large delegation, priority of consideration shall be given to African Americans, Hispanics, Native Americans, Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders, and women, if such priority of consideration is needed to fulfill the affirmative action goals outlined in the New Mexico Delegate Selection Plan. (*Rule 6.A.3*)
- (2) To continue the Democratic Party’s ongoing efforts to include groups historically under-represented in the Democratic Party’s affairs, and to assist in the achievement of full participation by these groups, priority of consideration shall be given other groups by virtue of race, sex, age, color, creed, national origin, religion, ethnic identify, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, economic status, or disability. (*Rule 5.C, Rule 6.A.3, Rule 7 & Reg. 4.8*)

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- (3) The election of At-large delegates shall be used, if necessary, to achieve the equal division of positions between men and women (gender balance) as far as mathematically practicable, and may be used to achieve the representation goals established in the Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach & Inclusion Program section of this Plan. *(Rule 6.A, Rule 6.C and Reg. 4.9)*
 - (4) Delegates and Alternates are to be considered separate groups for this purpose. *(Rule 6.C.1, Rule 11.A, Reg. 4.9 & Reg. 4.19)*
6. The DPNM Chair shall certify in writing to the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee the election of New Mexico's At-large Delegates and Alternates to the Democratic National Convention within 10 days after their election. *(Rule 8.C & Call IV.A)*

E. Replacement of Delegates and Alternates

1. A pledged Delegate or Alternate may be replaced according to the following guidelines:
 - a. Permanent Replacement of a Delegate: *(Rule 19.D.3)*
 - (1) A permanent replacement occurs when a Delegate resigns or dies prior to or during the National Convention and the Alternate replaces the delegate for the remainder of the National Convention.
 - (2) Any Alternate permanently replacing a Delegate shall be of the same presidential preference (including uncommitted status) and gender of the delegate they replace, and to the extent possible shall be from the same political subdivision within the state as the Delegate.
 - (a) In the case where the presidential candidate has only one (1) Alternate, that Alternate shall become the certified Delegate.
 - (b) If a presidential candidate has only one (1) Alternate, and that Alternate permanently replaces a Delegate of a different gender, thereby causing the delegation to no longer be equally divided (gender balanced), the delegation shall not be considered in violation of Rule 6.C.

In such a case, notwithstanding Rule 19.D.2, the DPNM State Central Committee shall, at the time of a subsequent permanent replacement, replace a Delegate with a person of a different

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gender, in order to return the delegation to equal division of men and women. (*Reg. 4.34*)

- (3) If a Delegate or Alternate candidate who has been elected but not certified to the DNC Secretary resigns, dies, or is no longer eligible to serve, they shall be replaced, after consultation with the DPNM, by the authorized representative of the presidential candidate to whom they are pledged. (*Rule 19.D.2*)
- b. Temporary Replacement of a Delegate: (*Rule 19.D.4*)
 - (1) A temporary replacement occurs when a delegate is to be absent for a limited period of time during the convention and an alternate temporarily acts in the delegate's place.
 - (2) Any alternate who temporarily replaces a delegate must be of the same presidential preference (including uncommitted status) as the delegate they replace, and to the extent possible shall be of the same gender and from the same political subdivision within the state as the delegate.
 - c. The following system will be used to select permanent and temporary replacements of delegates: *The alternate who receives the highest number of votes becomes the delegate.* (*Rule 19.D.1*)
 - d. Certification of Replacements
 - (1) Any alternate who permanently replaces a delegate shall be certified in writing to the Secretary of the DNC by the DPNM Chair. (*Rule 19.D.3*)
 - (2) Permanent replacement of a delegate (as specified above) by an alternate and replacement of a vacant alternate position shall be certified in writing by the DPNM Chair to the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee within three (3) days after the replacement is selected. (*Call IV.D.1*)
 - (3) Certification of permanent replacements will be accepted by the Secretary of the DNC up to 72 hours before the first official session of the Convention is scheduled to convene. (*Call IV.D.1 & Reg. 4.33*)
 - (4) In the case where a pledged delegate is permanently replaced after 72 hours before the time the first session is scheduled to convene or, in the case where a pledged delegate is not on the floor of the Convention Hall at the time a roll call vote is taken, an alternate may be designated (as specified above) to cast the delegate's vote. In such case, the Delegation

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Chair shall indicate the name of the alternate casting the respective delegate's vote on the delegation tally sheet. *(Call IX.F.3.e, Call IX.F.3.c & Reg. 5.6)*

- e. A vacant alternate position shall be filled by the delegation. The replacement shall be of the same presidential preference (or uncommitted status), of the same gender and, to the extent possible, from the same political subdivision as the alternate being replaced. *(Rule 19.E)*
2. Automatic delegates shall not be entitled to a replacement, nor shall the state be entitled to a replacement, except under the following circumstances: *(Call IV.D.2 & Reg. 4.35)*

- a. Members of Congress and the Democratic Governor shall not be entitled to name a replacement. In the event of changes or vacancies in the state's Congressional Delegation, following the official confirmation and prior to the commencement of the National Convention, the DNC Secretary shall recognize only such changes as have been officially recognized by the Democratic Caucus of the U.S. House of Representatives or the Democratic Conference of the U.S. Senate.

In the event of a change or vacancy in the state's office of Governor, the DNC shall recognize only such changes as have been officially recognized by the Democratic Governors' Association. *(Call IV.D.2.a)*

- b. Members of the Democratic National Committee shall not be entitled to a replacement, nor shall the state be entitled to a replacement, except in the case of death of such delegates.

In the case where the state's DNC membership changes following the DNC Secretary's official confirmation, but prior to the commencement of the 2024 Democratic National Convention, acknowledgment by the Secretary of the new DNC member certification shall constitute verification of the corresponding change of Automatic delegates. *(Call, IV.D.2.b)*

- c. Automatic Distinguished Party Leader delegates allocated to the state pursuant to Rule 9.A.(5), shall not be entitled to name a replacement, nor shall the state be entitled to name a replacement. *(Call IV.D.2.c)*
- d. In no case may an alternate cast a vote for an Automatic delegate. *(Call IX.F.3.e)*

Section IV Selection of Convention Standing Committee Members

A. Introduction

1. New Mexico has been allocated **1** member on **each of the three (3)** standing committees for the 2024 Democratic National Convention (Credentials, Platform, and Rules), for a total of **3 members**. (*Call VII.A & Appendix D*)
2. Members of the Convention Standing Committees need not be delegates or alternates to the 2024 Democratic National Convention. (*Call VII.A.3*)
3. These members will be selected in accordance with the procedures indicated below. (*Rule 1.G*)

B. Temporary Standing Committee Members

1. Temporary members for the Convention Standing Committees will be selected by the State Central Committee at a meeting on March 09, 2024 at 3:00 p.m. The meeting shall be open to all New Mexico Democrats and well publicized in accordance with this Plan. Members of the State Central Committee shall receive timely notice of the meeting, in accordance with DPNM Rules. (*Call VII.G.2*)
2. Any New Mexico Democrat may apply for a position as a temporary member of the standing committees. Persons wishing to be considered must submit an application to the DPNM Chair with their intent to run for a standing committee position, including the committee[s] for which they wish to be considered, no later than March 08, 2024 by 5:00 p.m. Signed applications can be returned via mail to the DPNM, 4013 Silver Ave SE, Albuquerque, NM 87108, or submitted online. Applications will also be accepted by email to info@nmdemocrats.org.
3. A separate election shall be conducted for temporary membership on each of the standing committees.

Because only three temporary committee members are being elected, the total variance between the number of (self-identified) women and the number of (self-identified) men among the three committees in aggregate shall not exceed one (1).

The gender division of the three temporary committee members elected shall match one of these combinations:

- Two women and one man (variance=1)
- One woman and two men (variance=1)
- One woman, one man, and one gender-diverse person (variance=0)
- One woman or one man, and two gender-diverse people (variance=1)

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- Three gender-diverse people (variance=0)

These gender divisions of the three committee members are not allowed:

- Two women and one gender-diverse person (variance=2)
- Two men and one gender-diverse person (variance=2)

4. Temporary members serve only in the event that the respective standing committee is called to meet prior to completion of New Mexico's delegate selection process and subsequent selection of permanent standing committee members. No temporary member may continue to serve after the selection of the permanent standing committee members, unless they are elected as a permanent member. *(Call VII.G.3)*
5. Temporary members selected after the first determining step has occurred in a state shall reflect the Presidential preferences so established. *(Call VII.G.3)*
6. The DPNM Chair shall certify the temporary standing committee members in writing to the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee within three (3) days after their selection. Substitutions in a state's list of temporary members may only be made up to ten (10) days prior to the time the standing committee meets. Substitute temporary standing committee members will be selected at the State Central Committee meeting, in accordance with the provisions outlined above. *(Call VII.B.3 and Call VII.G.4)*

C. Standing Committee Members

1. Selection Meeting
 - a. The members of the standing committees shall be elected by a quorum of New Mexico's DNC National Convention delegates, at a meeting to be held on **June 22, 2024**. *(Call VII.B.1)*
 - b. All members of the delegation shall receive adequate notice of the time, date and place of the meeting to select the standing committee members. *(Call VII.B.1)*
2. Allocation of Members
 - a. The members of the standing committees allocated to New Mexico shall proportionately represent the presidential preference of all candidates (including uncommitted status) receiving the threshold percentage used in the state's delegation to calculate the at-large apportionment pursuant to Rule 14.E. of the Delegate Selection Rules. *(Call VII.C.1 & Reg. 5.9)*

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- b. The presidential preference of each candidate receiving the applicable percentage or more within the delegation shall be multiplied by the total number of standing committee positions allocated to New Mexico.
- If the result of such multiplication does not equal 0.455 or above, the presidential preference in question is not entitled to representation on the standing committee.
 - If the result of such multiplication is 0.455 but less than 1.455, the presidential preference is entitled to one (1) position.
 - Those preferences securing more than 1.455 but less than 2.455 are entitled to two (2) positions, etc. (*Call VII.C.2*)
- c. Where the application of this formula results in the total allocation exceeding the total number of committee positions, the presidential candidate whose original figure of representation is farthest from its eventual rounded-off total shall be denied that one (1) additional position.

Where the application of this formula results in the total allocation falling short of the total number of committee positions, the presidential candidate whose original figure of representation is closest to the next rounding level shall be allotted an additional committee position. (*Call VII.C.3*)

- d. Standing committee positions allocated to a presidential candidate shall be proportionately allocated, to the extent practicable, to each of the three (3) standing committees. When such allocation results in an unequal distribution of standing committee positions by candidate preference, a drawing shall be conducted to distribute the additional positions. (*Call VII.C.4*)

3. Presidential Candidate Right of Review

- a. Each presidential candidate, or that candidate's authorized representative(s), shall be given adequate notice of the date, time and location of the meeting of the state's delegation authorized to elect standing committee members. (*Call VII.D.1*)
- b. Each presidential candidate, or that candidate's authorized representative(s), must submit to the State Democratic Chair, by June 20, 2024 at 5:00 p.m., a minimum of one (1) name for each slot awarded to that candidate for members of each committee.

The delegation shall select the standing committee members from among names submitted by the presidential candidates (including uncommitted status). Presidential candidates shall not be required to submit the name of

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more than one (1) person for each slot awarded to such candidate for members of standing committees. *(Call VII.D.2)*

4. Selection Procedure to Achieve Equal Division

- a. Presidential candidates (including uncommitted status) shall use their best efforts to ensure that their respective delegation of standing committee members shall achieve New Mexico's affirmative action, outreach, and inclusion goals and that their respective male and female members are equally divided between the men and women determined by gender self-identification. *(Rule 6.1 & Reg. 4.10)*
- b. Because only three (3) permanent standing-committee members are being elected, the total variance between the number of (self-identified) women and the number of (self-identified) men among the three committees in aggregate shall not exceed one (1). Gender-diverse committee members shall not be counted as either male or female.

The gender division of the three committee members elected shall match one of these combinations: *(Call VII.E.2, Call VII.E.1)*

- Two women and one man (variance=1)
- Two men and one woman (variance=1)
- One woman, one man, and one gender-diverse person (variance=0)
- One woman or one man, and two gender-diverse people (variance=1)
- Three gender-diverse people (variance=0)

These gender divisions of the three committee members are not allowed:

- Two women and one gender-diverse person (variance=2)
- Two men and one gender-diverse person (variance=2)

5. Certification and Substitution

- a. The DPNM Chair shall certify the elected standing committee members in writing to the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee within three (3) days after their selection. *(Call VII.B.3)*
- b. No substitutions will be permitted in the case of elected standing committee members, except in the case of resignation or death. Substitutions must be made in accordance with the rules and the election procedures specified in this section, and must be certified in writing to the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee within three (3) days after the substitute member is selected, but not later than 48 hours before the respective standing committee meets, except in the case of death. *(Call VII.B.4)*

Section V Delegation Chair and Convention Pages

A. Introduction

New Mexico will select one (1) person to serve as Delegation Chair and three (3) to serve as Convention Pages. *(Call IV.E, Call IV.F.1 & Appendix C)*

B. Delegation Chair

1. Selection Meeting
 - a. The Delegation Chair shall be selected by a quorum of the state's National Convention Delegates, at a meeting to be held on June 22, 2024. *(Call IV.E & Call VII.B.1)*
 - b. All members of the delegation shall receive timely notice of the time, date, and place of the meeting to select the Delegation Chair. *(Rule 3.C)*
2. The DPNM Chair shall certify the Delegation Chair in writing to the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee within three (3) days after their selection. *(Call IV.E)*

C. Convention Pages

1. Three (3) individuals will be selected to serve as New Mexico's Convention Pages by the DPNM Chair in consultation with the members of the Democratic National Committee from New Mexico. This selection will take place June 22, 2024. *(Call IV.F.3, Appendix C & Reg. 5.7)*
2. The Convention Pages shall be as evenly divided between men and women (determined by self-identification) as possible under the state allocation and shall reflect, as much as possible, the Affirmative Action and Outreach & Inclusion guidelines in the state plan. In the case of gender-diverse pages, they shall not be counted as either a male or female, and the remainder of the pages shall be equally divided. *(Reg. 5.7.A)*
3. The DPNM Chair shall certify the individuals to serve as New Mexico's Convention Pages in writing to the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee within three (3) days after the selection. *(Call IV.F.3 & Reg. 5.7.B)*

Section VI Presidential Electors

A. Introduction

New Mexico will select 5 persons to serve as Presidential Electors for the 2024 Presidential election.

B. Selection of Presidential Electors

The Presidential Electors shall be selected by the following process:

1. On June 01, 2024, the New Mexico Secretary of State shall send written notice to the DPNM Chair setting forth the method and requirements for election of presidential electors. (NM Stat § 1-15-1 (2021))
2. Presidential Electors shall be nominated at the DPNM Post-Primary Convention according to the party rules on file with the Secretary of State. DPNM Rules require that the DPNM Chair present a slate of electors to Post-Primary Convention delegates. Following the convention, the DPNM Chair and DPNM Secretary shall certify the names and addresses of the nominees to the Secretary of State no later than sixty-three (63) days prior to the 2024 general election (September 3, 2024). (NM Stat § 1-15-3 (2021))
3. In the case of the death, resignation, or absence of any Presidential Elector by noon on the day set by the laws of the United States for electors to cast their votes, the New Mexico Governor shall nominate a replacement from a list of names provided by the DPNM Chair. (NM Stat § 1-15-7 (2021))

C. Affirmation

1. Each candidate for Presidential Elector shall certify in writing that they will vote for the election of the Democratic Presidential and Vice-Presidential nominees. (*Call VIII*)
2. In the selection of the Presidential Electors, the DPNM will take the following steps to ensure the persons selected are bona fide Democrats who are faithful to the interests, welfare, and success of the Democratic Party of the United States, who subscribe to the substance, intent, and principles of the Charter and the Bylaws of the Democratic Party of the United States:
 - a. The DPNM Chair will include only committed Democrats with a demonstrable history of activism and participation on the slate presented to the Post-Primary Convention.

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- b. According to 2021 New Mexico Statutes, Chapter 1 - Elections, Article 15 - Presidential Electors, Senators, Congressman and Expiring Terms, Section 1-15-9 - Presidential electors; penalty: *“A. All presidential electors shall cast their ballots in the electoral college for the candidates of the political party which nominated them as presidential electors.”* (NM Stat § 1-15-9 (2021))

- c. According to 2021 New Mexico Statutes, Chapter 1 - Elections, Article 15 - Presidential Electors, Senators, Congressman and Expiring Terms, Section 1-15-9 - Presidential electors; penalty: *“B. Any presidential elector who casts his ballot in violation of the provisions contained in Subsection A of this section is guilty of a fourth-degree felony.”* (NM Stat § 1-15-9 (2021))

Section VII

General Provisions and Procedural Guarantees

- A. The DPNM reaffirms its commitment to an open party by incorporating the “six basic elements” as listed below. As our Party strives to progress in the fight against discrimination of all kinds, these six basic elements have evolved and grown along with the constant push for more inclusion and empowerment. These provisions demonstrate the intention of the Democratic Party to ensure a full opportunity for all minority group members to participate in the delegate selection process. *(Rule 4.A, Rule 4.B & Rule 4.C)*
1. All public meetings at all levels of the DPNM should be open to all members of the Democratic Party of New Mexico regardless of race, sex, age, color, creed, national origin, religion, ethnic identity, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, economic status, or disability (hereinafter collectively referred to as “status”). *(Rule 4.B.1)*
 2. No test for membership in, nor any oaths of loyalty to, the DPNM should be required or used which has the effect of requiring prospective or current members of the Democratic Party to acquiesce in, condone or support discrimination based on “status.” *(Rule 4.B.2)*
 3. The time and place for all public meetings of the DPNM on all levels shall be publicized fully, and in such manner, as to assure timely notice to all interested persons. Such meetings must be held in places accessible to all Party members and large enough to accommodate all interested persons. *(Rule 4.B.3)*
 4. The DPNM, on all levels, will support the broadest possible registration without discrimination based on “status.” *(Rule 4.B.4)*
 5. The DPNM will publicize fully, and in such a manner as to assure notice to all interested parties, a full description of the legal and practical procedures for selection of Democratic Party officers and representatives on all levels. Publication of these procedures will be done in such fashion that all prospective and current members of the DPNM will be fully and adequately informed of the pertinent procedures in time to participate in each selection procedure at all levels of the Democratic Party organization.

As part of this, the DPNM should develop a strategy to provide education programs directly to voters who continue to experience confusing timelines for registration, changing party affiliation deadlines, or lack of awareness of the process for running for delegate, to ensure all Democratic voters understand the rules and timelines and their impact on voter participation. *(Rule 4.B.5)*

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6. The DPNM will publicize fully, and in such a manner as to assure notice to all interested parties, a complete description of the legal and practical qualifications of all positions as officers and representatives of the DPNM. Such publication will be done in a timely fashion so that all prospective candidates or applicants for any elected or appointed position within DPNM will have full and adequate opportunity to compete for office. *(Rule 4.B.6)*
- B. Discrimination on the basis of “status” in the conduct of Democratic Party affairs is prohibited. *(Rule 5.B)*
- C. New Mexico’s delegation shall be equally divided between delegate men and delegate women, and alternate men and alternate women, i.e. the number of men and women shall not vary by more than one. Such goal applies to the entire delegation, which includes all pledged delegates and alternates and all automatic delegates.

Delegates and alternates shall be considered separate groups for purposes of achieving equal division as determined by gender self-identification. In the case of gender non-binary delegates or alternates, they shall not be counted as either a male or female, and the remainder of the delegation shall be equally divided by gender. *(Rule 6.C)*
- D. All delegate and alternate candidates must be identified as to presidential preference or uncommitted status at all levels which determine presidential preference. *(Rule 13.A)*
- E. No delegate at any level of the delegate selection process shall be mandated by law or Party rules to vote contrary to that person’s presidential choice as expressed at the time the delegate is elected. *(Rule 13.I)*
- F. Delegates elected to the national convention pledged to a presidential candidate shall in all good conscience reflect the sentiments of those who elected them. *(Rule 13.J)*
- G. Each delegate, alternate, and standing committee member must be a bona fide Democrat, registered for 30 days or more, who is faithful to the interests, welfare, and success of the Democratic Party of the United States, who subscribes to the substance, intent, and principles of the Charter and Bylaws of the Democratic Party of the United States, and who will participate in the Convention in good faith. *(Rule 13.H, Call VII.A.4 & Reg. 4.25)*
- H. Forty percent (40%) of the members of any Party body above the first level of the delegate selection process shall constitute a quorum for any business pertaining to the selection of National Convention delegates, alternates, standing committee members, and other official Convention participants. *(Rule 16)*
- I. An accredited participant in a caucus, convention, or committee meeting, after having established credentials, may register a non-transferable proxy with (i.e., deliver a signed proxy to) another duly accredited participant at that meeting (except where an accredited

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alternate is present and eligible to serve as a replacement), provided that no individual may hold more than one (1) proxy at a time. *(Rule 17 & Reg. 4.30)*

- J. The unit rule, or any rule or practice whereby all members of a Party unit or delegation may be required to cast their votes in accordance with the will of a majority of the body, shall not be used at any stage of the delegate selection process. *(Rule 18.A)*
- K. Any individual or group of Democrats may sponsor or endorse a slate of candidates for convention delegates. But no slate may, by virtue of such endorsement, receive a preferential place on a delegate selection ballot or be publicly identified on the ballot as the official Democratic Party organization slate, and all slates must meet identical qualifying requirements for appearing on a ballot at all levels of the delegate selection process. *(Rule 18.B)*
- L. All steps in the delegate selection process, except the filing of presidential candidates as allowed by rule 15.D, must take place within the calendar year of the Democratic National Convention, except with respect to the implementation of the Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach & Inclusion Programs or as otherwise allowed. *(Rule 1.F & Rule 12.B)*
- M. In electing and certifying delegates and alternates to the 2024 Democratic National Convention, the DPNM hereby undertakes to assure all Democratic voters in New Mexico a full, timely, and equal opportunity to participate in the delegate selection process and in all Party affairs, and to implement affirmative action and outreach & inclusion plans toward that end; that the delegates and alternates to the Convention shall be selected in accordance with the Delegate Selection Rules for the 2024 Democratic National Convention; and that the delegates certified will not publicly support or campaign for any candidate for President or Vice President other than the nominees of the Democratic National Convention. *(Call II.B)*

Section VIII

Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach & Inclusion Program

A. Statement of Purpose and Organization

1. Purpose and Objectives
 - a. To make sure that the Democratic Party at all levels be an open Party that includes rather than excludes people from participation, a program of effective affirmative action is hereby adopted by New Mexico. *(Rule 5.A)*
 - b. Discrimination on the basis of “status” in the conduct of Democratic Party affairs is prohibited. *(Rule 5.B)*
 - c. All public meetings at all levels of the DPNM are open to all members of the DPNM regardless of sex, race, age, color, creed, national origin, religion, economic status, sexual orientation, gender identity, ethnic identity, or disability (hereinafter collectively referred to as “status”). *(Rule 4.B.1)*
 - d. Consistent with the Democratic Party’s commitment to including groups historically under-represented in the Democratic Party’s affairs, by virtue of sex, race, age, color, creed, national origin, religion, economic status, sexual orientation, gender identity, ethnic identity, or disability, DPNM has established goals for these groups. *(Rule 5.C & Reg. 4.8)*
 - e. To encourage full participation by all Democrats in the delegate selection process and in all Party affairs, the DPNM has adopted and will implement programs with specific goals and timetables for African Americans, Hispanics, Native Americans, Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders, and women. To further encourage full participation in the process, the DPNM has established goals and timetables for other under-represented groups, including the LGBTQ+ community, people with disabilities, youth, veterans, union members, senior citizens (over the age of 65), and rural voters. *(Rule 6.A & Rule 7)*
 - (1) The goal of the programs shall be to encourage participation in the delegate selection process and in Party organizations at all levels by the aforementioned groups as indicated by their presence in the Democratic electorate. *(Rule 6.A.1)*
 - (2) For the delegate selection process, “Youth” is defined as any participant younger than 36 years old at the time of election. *(Reg. 5.3.A)*

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- (3) For the delegate selection process, individuals identifying as Native Americans should provide their tribal affiliation and indicate if they are enrolled in a tribe. *(Reg. 5.3.B)*
- (4) These goals shall not be accomplished either directly or indirectly by the Party's imposition of mandatory quotas at any level of the delegate selection process or in any other Party affairs. *(Rule 6.A.2)*

2. Organizational Structure

- a. The DPNM has a standing Affirmative Action Committee comprising fifteen members. Ten members were elected during the Spring 2023 SCC elections. Five members were appointed by the DPNM Chair in May of 2023. Term of office on this committee is two years. *(Rule 6.F)*
- b. The DPNM Chair shall certify in writing to the Rules and Bylaws Committee of the Democratic National Committee the compliance of DPNM's Affirmative Action Committee with Rules 5.C, 6.A and 7, and shall submit the names, demographic data, and contact information of the members no later than 15 days after their appointment/election, whichever occurs later. *(Reg. 2.2.J)*
- c. The Committee shall consist of members who are regionally diverse and represent the Democratic constituency groups set forth in the Introduction to the Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach & Inclusion Program section of this Plan.
- d. The Affirmative Action Committee shall be responsible for:
 - (1) Helping develop and design the proposed Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach & Inclusion Program and making recommendations to the DPNM Chair. *(Rule 6.F)*
 - (2) Directing the implementation of all requirements of the Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach & Inclusion Program section of this Plan.
 - (3) Implementing a specific outreach and financial assistance program for persons of low and moderate income to encourage their participation and representation in the national convention delegation. *(Rule 6.G)*
 - (4) Ensuring, on behalf of the DPNM Committee, that district lines used in the delegate selection process are not gerrymandered to discriminate against African Americans, Hispanics, Native Americans, Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders, and women. *(Rule 6.E)*

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- e. Financial and staff support for the Affirmative Action Committee shall be provided by the DPNM Committee to the greatest extent feasible, including, but not limited to, making the DPNM staff and volunteers available on a priority basis and covering all reasonable costs incurred in carrying out this Plan.
3. Implementation of the Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach & Inclusion Program shall begin on September 13, 2023, with the distribution of the press kits, and will continue through the end of the delegate selection process. *(Rule 1.F)*

B. Representation Goals

- 1. In cooperation with the National Committee, the DPNM has determined the demographic composition of African Americans, Hispanics, Native Americans, and Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders in New Mexico’s Democratic electorate. These constituency percentages shall be established as goals for representation in the state’s convention delegation. *(Rule 6.A)*
- 2. In cooperation with the National Committee, the DPNM has determined the demographic composition of members of the LGBTQ+ community, people with disabilities, youth, veterans, union members, senior citizens, and rural voters in New Mexico’s Democratic electorate. The DPNM has chosen to establish these percentages as goals for representation in the state’s convention delegation. *(Rule 7 & Reg. 4.8.C.iii)*
- 3. The DPNM determined the constituency representation goals for the convention delegation by using the DNC data team ethnicity estimates of the 2022 general election population.

Group	% in Democratic Electorate	Numeric Goals for Delegates	Method
African Americans	3.0%	1	Provided by the DNC Data and Analytics team
Hispanics	62%	12	Provided by the DNC Data and Analytics team
Native Americans	10%	2	Provided by the DNC Data and Analytics team
AAPI	1%	0	Provided by the DNC Data and Analytics team
LGBTQ+ People	6%	1	Provided by the DNC Data and Analytics team
People with Disabilities	19%	4	Provided by the DNC Data and Analytics team

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Youth	31%	6	Provided by the DNC Data and Analytics team
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In addition to the DNC categories, the DPNM has the following constituency representation goals for the convention delegation. DPNM used the same method that the DNC Data and Analytics team used for the previous categories. The CVAP is 1,522,110 according to the 2021 ASC (<https://www.census.gov/programs-surveys/decennial-census/about/voting-rights/cvap.html>). The overall level of Democratic support is estimated at 56% using the 2022 DNC Support Score. Other sources are indicated below.

Group	% in Democratic Electorate	Numeric Goals for Delegates	Method
Veterans	7%	1	% in Total Population: From Census (Census: https://www.census.gov/quickfacts/fact/table/NM/PST045222 % of Support: Used NM Democratic Support
Union Members	5%	1	% in Total Population: From https://www.bls.gov/news.release/pdf/union2.pdf % of Support (Used NM Democratic Support)
Senior Citizens	18%	3	% in Total Population: From Census (https://www.census.gov/quickfacts/fact/table/NM/PST045222) % of Support: From AP / NYT 2020 Exit Poll (https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2020/11/03/us/elections/ap-polls-new-mexico.html)
Rural	18%	3	% in Total Population: From UNM BBER (https://bber.unm.edu/blog/posts?post=how-rural-is-new-mexico-) % of Support: From AP / NYT 2020 Exit Poll (https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2020/11/03/us/elections/ap-polls-new-mexico.html)

4. When selecting the At-large portion of the delegation, the demographic composition of the other delegates (District-level, pledged PLEO, and Automatic) shall be compared with the DPNM’s representation goals to achieve an At-large selection process that helps to bring about a representative balance. *(Rule 11.A)*

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5. Although the selection of the At-large delegation may be used to fulfill the affirmative action goals established by this Plan, the DPNM will conduct outreach and inclusion activities such as recruitment, education, and training at all levels of the delegate selection process. *(Rule 6.A.3)*

C. Efforts to Educate About the Delegate Selection Process

1. Well-publicized educational workshops will be conducted in each of the delegate districts beginning on September 13, 2023. These workshops will be designed to encourage participation in the delegate selection process, including apprising potential delegate and alternate candidates of the availability of financial assistance. These workshops will be held in places that are easily accessible to persons with disabilities. The times, dates, places, and rules for the conduct of all education workshops, meetings, and other events involved in the delegate selection process shall be effectively publicized by the party organization and include mailings to various organizations representative of the Democratic voting electorate. *(Rule 3.A, Rule 3.C & Rule 3.D)*
2. A speakers bureau of volunteers from the DPNM, including the Affirmative Action Committee, shall be composed of individuals who are fully familiar with the delegate selection process and will be available to appear before groups, as needed, to provide information concerning the process.
3. The DPNM's education efforts will include outreach to community leaders within the Democratic Party's constituencies and ensuring that information about the delegate selection process is available to Democratic clubs and Party caucuses representing specific constituencies.
4. The DPNM will publish, and make available at no cost, a clear and concise explanation of how Democratic voters can participate in the delegate selection process. The DPNM shall also make available copies of the DPNM Rules, the Delegate Selection Plan (and its attachments), the Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach & Inclusion Program, and relevant state statutes, at no cost. Copies of documents related to the DPNM's delegate selection process will be prepared and the DPNM and Affirmative Action Committee will distribute them in the various delegate districts not later than March 03, 2024. *(Rule 1.H)*
5. Participation in the delegate selection process shall be open to all voters who wish to participate as Democrats. Democratic voters shall be those persons who publicly declare their Party preference and have that preference publicly recorded. *(Rule 2.A)*
6. The DPNM shall take all feasible steps to encourage non-affiliated voters and new voters to register or enroll, to provide simple procedures through which they may do

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so, and to eliminate excessively long waiting periods for voters who wish to register or to change their party enrollment status. *(Rule 2.C)*

7. The Affirmative Action Committee will develop a DPNM strategy to be implemented beginning September 13, 2023 that will provide education programs directly to voters who continue to experience confusing timelines for voter registration and deadlines for changing party affiliation, or who are unaware of the process for running for delegate, so that all Democratic voters understand the rules and timelines and their impact on voter participation. *(Rule 4.B.5)*

D. Efforts to Publicize the Delegate Selection Process

1. The DPNM shall direct special attention to publicizing the delegate selection process in the state. Such publicity shall include information about eligibility to vote and how to become a candidate for delegate, the time and location of each stage of the delegate selection process, and where to get additional information. The foregoing information will also be published in the DPNM communications and on the DPNM's website. The Party organization, official, candidate, or member calling a meeting or scheduling an event, shall effectively publicize the role that such meeting or event plays in the selection of delegates and alternates to the Democratic National Convention. *(Rule 3.C & Rule 3.D)*
2. The DPNM shall have a Delegate Selection Media Plan **(see Attachment 2.i)** for using all available and appropriate resources, such as social media, websites, newspapers, radio, and television, to inform the general public how, when, and where to participate in the delegate selection process. Specifically, the Delegate Selection Media Plan will provide details about how to qualify to run as a delegate candidate. Regular updates should be posted/released throughout the DPNM's delegate selection process to ensure broad and timely coverage and awareness about the process to all interested persons. *(Rule 4.B.3 & Rule 6.D)*
3. A priority effort, as described in the Delegate Selection Media Plan, shall be directed at publicity among the Democratic Party's constituencies.
 - a. Information about the delegate selection process will be posted on and made available to social and specialty media directed toward the Democratic constituency groups set forth in the introduction of this Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach & Inclusion Program.
 - b. The DPNM shall be responsible for the implementation of this publicity effort. For purposes of providing adequate notice of the delegate selection process, the times, dates, places, and rules for the conduct of county, district, and statewide conventions shall be effectively publicized to encourage the participation of minority groups. Parties will make a good faith effort to

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publicize this information in an accessible manner and multi-lingually where necessary. *(Rule 6.D)*

4. Not later than **September 13, 2023**, the DPNM will make information about the delegate selection process available on its website and will publicize the resource through press releases and communications to Party leaders, activists, and targeted constituencies. Information to be posted on the website will include:
 - a. Materials designed to encourage participation and inform prospective delegate candidates;
 - b. A summary explaining the role of the 2024 Convention in nominating the Party's Presidential and Vice-Presidential candidates and adopting the National Platform;
 - c. A summary of the DPNM's delegate selection process including all pertinent rules, dates, and filing requirements related to the process;
 - d. A map of delegate districts and how many delegates will be elected within each district, along with filing forms or information about how to obtain the filing forms.

E. Obligations of Presidential Candidates to Maximize Participation

1. Presidential candidates shall assist the DPNM in meeting the demographic representation goals reflected in the Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach & Inclusion Program. *(Rule 6.H)*
2. Each presidential candidate must submit a written statement to the DPNM Chair by February 3, 2024, which indicates the specific steps they will take to encourage full participation by their supporters in New Mexico's delegate selection process, including, but not limited to, procedures by which persons may file with the DPNM to be candidates for delegate or alternate pledged to the presidential candidate. *(Rule 6.H.1)*
3. Each presidential candidate must submit demographic information with respect to all candidates for delegate and alternate pledged to them. Such information shall be submitted in conjunction with the list of names approved for consideration as delegate and alternate candidates pledged to the presidential candidate. *(Rule 6.H.2)*
4. Presidential candidates shall use their best effort to ensure that their respective delegates, alternates, and standing committee members shall achieve the affirmative action goals reflected in the Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach &

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Inclusion Program, and that the number of men and the number of women in their respective delegations shall not differ by more than one (as determined by gender self-identification). Furthermore, presidential candidates shall use their best efforts at the District level to approve delegate, alternate, and standing committee candidates who meet applicable equal division and affirmative action considerations to promote and achieve the state's affirmative action, outreach, and inclusion goals and equal division for their respective delegations. (*Rule 6.C., Rule 6.I & Reg. 4.10*)

F. Outreach & Inclusion Program

1. The DPNM is committed to help achieve full participation by those groups of Americans who have historically been explicitly denied the right to vote, or who have been subjected to discriminatory and exclusionary practices that have denied them voting rights and full participation in the delegate selection process and other Party meetings, events, and elections, along with other groups of Americans who are also under-represented in Party affairs.
2. As such, the DPNM has developed Outreach & Inclusion programs and is committed to fully implementing the programs, so that all persons who wish to participate as Democrats understand they are welcome and encouraged to be a part of the delegate selection process and in the Party at the local, state, and national levels.
3. The DPNM will make accommodations to facilitate greater participation by people with disabilities. Accommodations at the Post-Primary Conventions include, but are not limited to: use of an ADA compliant facility, an ADA seating section, interpreters, and gender-neutral bathrooms.
4. In addition to the education, publicity, and other steps described above, the DPNM will strive to reach out to historically under-represented constituency groups.

DPNM will do the following to engage and recruit people from the historically under-represented groups mentioned previously:

- Deploy staff and volunteers to meet with organizations that reflect the diverse communities in New Mexico
- Make strong efforts to include all our constituency caucuses in the execution of the delegate selection process so they can serve as ambassadors in their communities
- Solicit advice from all our constituency caucuses
- DPNM Staff and the Affirmative Action Committee will design a Delegate Training program for people who are interested in becoming elected members of the New Mexico Delegation.

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Section IX Challenges

A. Jurisdiction & Standing

1. Challenges related to the delegate selection process are governed by the *Regulations of the DNC Rules and Bylaws Committee for the 2024 Democratic National Convention (Reg. Sec. 3)*, and the “Rules of Procedure of the Credentials Committee of the 2024 Democratic National Convention.” (*Call Appendix A*)
2. Under Rule 21.B. of the *2024 Delegate Selection Rules*, the DNC Rules and Bylaws Committee has jurisdiction over challenges pertaining to the submission, non-implementation, and violation of the New Mexico Delegate Selection and Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach & Inclusion Program. (*Rule 21.B & Call Appendix A*)
3. The Rules and Bylaws Committee has jurisdiction to hear and decide any challenge, provided it is initiated before the 56th day preceding the date of the commencement of the 2024 Democratic National Convention. (*Call Appendix A & Reg. 3.1*)
4. Challenges to the credentials of delegates and alternates to the 2024 Democratic National Convention initiated on or after the 56th day preceding the date of commencement of the Democratic National Convention shall be processed in accordance with the “Rules of Procedure of the Credentials Committee of the 2024 Democratic National Convention.” (*Call Appendix A*)
5. Any challenge to the credentials of a standing committee member shall be considered and resolved by the affected standing committee in accordance with Appendix A of the *Call for the 2024 Democratic National Convention*. The Rules and Bylaws Committee shall have jurisdiction over challenges brought before the 56th day preceding the date of the commencement of the Democratic National Convention. (*Call VII.B.5*)
6. Copies of the *Regulations of the Rules and Bylaws Committee* and the *Call for the 2024 Democratic National Convention*, including the “Rules of Procedure of the Credentials Committee (*Appendix A*)”, shall be made available by the DPNM upon reasonable request.
7. Any group of 15 Democrats with standing to challenge as defined in Reg. 3.2 or the *Call (Appendix A, Sec. 2.A)*, may bring a challenge to this Plan or to the implementation of this Plan, including its Affirmative Action provisions.

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B. Challenges to the Status of the DPNM and Challenges to the Plan

1. A challenge to the status of the DPNM as the body entitled to sponsor a delegation from that State shall be filed with the Rules and Bylaws Committee not later than 30 calendar days prior to the initiation of the state's delegate selection process. (*Rule 21.A & Reg. 3.4.A*)
2. A challenge to the DPNM's Delegate Selection Plan shall be filed with the Chair of the DPNM and the Co-Chairs of the DNC Rules and Bylaws Committee within 15 calendar days after the adoption of the Plan by the DPNM. (*Reg. 3.4.B*)
3. A challenge to a Plan must be brought in conformity with the Rules and the RBC Regulations, which should be consulted for a detailed explanation of challenge procedures.

C. Challenges to Implementation

1. A challenge may be brought alleging that a specific requirement of an approved Plan has not been properly implemented. Jurisdiction over all challenges initiated in a timely fashion shall reside with either the Rules and Bylaws Committee or the Credentials Committee of the National Convention (See Section VII.A. above). However, the Rules and Bylaws Committee may provide advice, assistance, or interpretations of the Delegate Selection Rules at any stage of the delegate selection process. (*Reg. 3.1.C*)
2. An implementation challenge brought before the Rules and Bylaws Committee is initiated by filing a written challenge with the DPNM and with the Rules and Bylaws Committee not later than 15 days after the alleged violation occurred. The DPNM has 21 days to render a decision.

Within ten (10) days of the decision, any party to the challenge may appeal it to the Rules and Bylaws Committee. If, in fact, the DPNM renders no decision, any party to the challenge may request the Rules and Bylaws Committee to process it. The request must be made within ten (10) days after expiration of the above 21-day period. (*Reg. 3.4.C, Reg. 3.4.E & Reg. 3.4.H*)

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3. Performance under an approved Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach & Inclusion Program and composition of the convention delegation shall be considered relevant evidence in the challenge to any state delegation. If the state Party has adopted and implemented an approved affirmative action program, the DPNM shall not be subject to challenge based solely on delegation composition or primary results. (*Rule 6.B*)

The procedures are the same for challenges alleging failure to properly implement the Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach & Inclusion Programs of a Plan, except that such challenges must be filed not later than 30 days prior to the initiation of the state's delegate selection process. (*Reg. 3.4.C*)

4. Depending on the appropriate jurisdiction (see Section VIII.A. above), implementation challenges must be brought in conformity with the Regulations of the Rules and Bylaws Committee or the Rules of Procedure of the Credentials Committee, which should be consulted for a detailed explanation of challenge procedures.

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Section X Summary of Plan

A. Selection of Delegates and Alternates

New Mexico will use a proportional representation system based on the results of the primary election in apportioning its delegates to the 2024 Democratic National Convention.

The “first determining step” of New Mexico’s delegate selection process will occur on June 04, 2024, with a primary election.

Delegates and alternates will be selected as summarized on the following chart:

Type	Delegates	Alternates	Date of Selection	Selecting Body
				Filing Requirements and Deadlines
District-Level Delegates	19	0	June 15th, 2024	Selecting Body: County Post-Primary Delegates elected at County Party Conventions on June 8th, 2024 Submit a <u>Declaration of Candidacy and Pledge of Support</u> to DPNM by May 22nd, 2024
Automatic Party Leader and Elected Official Delegates*	12	n/a	n/a	Automatic by virtue of respective public or Party office as provided in Rule 9.A. of the 2024 Delegate Selection Rules.
Pledged Party Leaders and Elected Officials (PLEOs)	4	**	June 22nd, 2024	Selecting Body: County Post-Primary Delegates elected at County Party Conventions on June 8th, 2024 Submit a <u>Declaration of Candidacy and Pledge of Support</u> to DPNM by May 22nd, 2024
At-Large Delegates -----	6 ---	--- ---	June 22nd 2024 -----	Selecting Body: County Post-Primary Delegates elected at County Party Conventions on June 8th, 2024
At-Large Alternates		2	June 22nd 2024	Submit a <u>Declaration of Candidacy and Pledge of Support</u> to DPNM by May 22nd, 2024
TOTAL Delegates and Alternates	41	2		

* Automatic Party Leader and Elected Official (PLEO) delegates includes the following categories, if applicable, who legally reside in the state: the Democratic National Committee Members, the Democratic President, the Democratic Vice President, all Democratic members of the U.S. House of Representatives and the U.S. Senate, the Democratic Governor, and any other Distinguished Party Leader as specified in Rule 9.A. of the *2024 Delegate Selection Rules*. The exact number of Automatic PLEO Delegates is subject to change due to possible deaths, resignations, elections, or special elections.

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B. Selection of Standing Committee Members (For the Credentials, Platform, and Rules Committees)

Standing committee members will be selected by the state’s National Convention delegates as summarized below:

Members Per Committee	Total Members	Selection Date	Filing Requirements and Deadlines
Temporary Standing Committee Members			
1	3	March 9, 2024	Filing deadline = March 08, 2024 by 5:00 p.m. Temporary members elected March 9, 2024 by SCC
Convention Standing Committee Members			
1	3	June 20, 2024, 5:00 p.m.	Each presidential candidate must submit at least 1 name for each position awarded to that candidate for each committee.
		June 22, 2024	Committee members are elected by a quorum of National Convention Delegates.

C. Selection of Delegation Chair and Convention Pages

The Delegation Chair will be selected by the National Convention Delegates on June 22, 2024.

Three (3) Convention Pages will be selected by the State Democratic Chair on June 22, 2024.

D. Selection of Presidential Electors

Five (5) Presidential Electors will be nominated by the DPNM Chair and ratified by county delegates to the State Post-Primary Convention on June 22, 2024.

E. Presidential Candidate Filing Deadline

There is no Filing Deadline for Presidential Candidates in New Mexico. Candidates can seek nomination by Committee. This committee will meet no later than February 15th, 2024 to nominate and certify to the Secretary of State the names of all Democratic Presidential candidates “generally advocated and national recognized or supported by any major political party in the state as candidates of the major political parties participating in the presidential primary.”

Should a candidate fail to be nominated at that meeting, he or she can petition to be on the ballot within 30 days after that Committee meeting. Presidential candidates must certify the name(s) of their authorized representative(s) to the DPNM Chair by April 4th, 2024. (*Rule 15.D*)

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F. Timetable (Reg. 2.2.B)

Date	Activity
2021	
April 26	Affirmative Action Committee members for 2021 to 2023 are elected and appointed by the State Chair.
2023	
January 23	Affirmative Action committee meets to discuss Delegate Selection and Affirmative Action Plans
March 1	List of Affirmative Action Committee members submitted to DNC Rules and Bylaws Committee.
March 21	Affirmative Action Committee meets to draft proposed Delegate Selection and Affirmative Action Plans.
April 20	Proposed Delegate Selection and Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach & Inclusion Program is tentatively approved for public comment by DPNM.
April 24	Public comments are solicited on the proposed Delegate Selection and Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach & Inclusion Program. Press releases are mailed announcing the public comment period.
May 24	Period for public comment on the Delegate Selection Plan concludes. Responses are compiled for review by the DPNM Committee.
May 31	DPNM Committee concludes review of public comments and adopts the revised Delegate Selection and Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach & Inclusion Program for submission to the DNC Rules and Bylaws Committee. Press releases are mailed announcing the approval of the Plan.
June 01	Delegate Selection and Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach & Inclusion Program is forwarded to the DNC Rules and Bylaws Committee. <i>[Note: The deadline by which a State Plan must be submitted to the RBC for approval is May 3, 2024 and DPNM received an extension of this deadline to June 3, 2023 on April 19, 2023]</i>
June 01	Affirmative Action Committee members for 2023 to 2025 are elected and appointed by the DPNM Chair.
September 13	DPNM begins implementation of the Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach & Inclusion Program. Press kits, as described in the Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach & Inclusion Program, are sent to all state media. <i>[Note: This is the deadline by which implementation of the affirmative action program must begin.]</i>
2024	
January 15	Recommendation of presidential candidates to send written communication to DPNM Chair regarding their intent to seek nomination

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Date	Activity
February 03	Deadline for each announced presidential candidate to submit a written statement to the DPNM Chair specifying steps the candidate will take to encourage full participation in the delegate selection process. (Individuals who announce their candidacy after this date must provide this full participation statement to the DPNM not later than 30 days after their announcement.)
February 15	Presidential candidate deadline for filing nomination by committee of candidacy with the Secretary of State and a copy to the DPNM.
March 03	Delegate and alternate candidates may obtain the <u>Declaration of Candidacy and Pledge of Support</u> forms and filing instructions from DPNM Headquarters, in person, by mail, or on DPNM's web site at www.nmDemocrats.org .
March 16	Presidential candidate deadline for filing the petition of candidacy with the Secretary of State and sending a copy to the DPNM Chair at PartyAffairs@nmDemocrats.org .
April 04	Presidential candidate deadline for certifying the name(s) of their authorized representative(s) to the DPNM.
May 07	First date on which vote-by-mail ballots are mailed to voters.
May 07	In-person voting begins for Presidential preference primary.
May 17	District-level Delegate deadline for filing the <u>Declaration of Candidacy and Pledge of Support</u> forms with DPNM.
May 22	DPNM Chair provides a list of District-level Delegate candidates to the respective Presidential candidates.
May 22	Pledged PLEO and At-large delegate or alternate candidate deadline for filing the <u>Declaration of Candidacy and Pledge of Support</u> forms with DPNM.
June 02	Presidential candidates provide a list of approved District-level delegate candidates to DPNM.
June 04	Presidential preference primary.
June 14	Pre-slated numbers of District-level delegates are allocated to presidential preferences per the primary election results.
June 18	DPNM Chair provides a list of pledged PLEO and At-large delegate and alternate candidates to the respective Presidential candidates.
June 20	Presidential candidates provide an approved list of pledged PLEO delegate candidates to State Party.
June 22	State Convention convenes. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Pledged PLEO delegates selected. ● Following selection of PLEO delegates, presidential candidates provide an approved list of At-large Delegate and alternate candidates to the DPNM Chair. ● State Convention selects At-large delegates and alternates. ● Presidential candidates submit lists of candidates for standing committee members to DPNM Chair.

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Date	Activity
June 22	National Convention delegation meeting. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Delegates select National Convention Standing Committee Members and Delegation Chair. ● State Chair names convention pages.
June 22	National Convention Delegates meet and elect the slate of Presidential Electors nominated by the DPNM Chair.
June 25	DPNM Chair certifies elected District-level delegates to the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee.
June 25	DPNM Chair certifies in writing to the Secretary of the DNC the State's Delegation Chair, Convention Pages, and Standing Committee Members.
June 25	State Party certifies remainder of elected delegates and alternates (PLEOs and At-large), delegation chair, and convention pages.
June 25	State Party certifies in writing to the Secretary of the DNC the presidential preference (including uncommitted) of the state's Automatic Delegates.
June 29	All Delegates and Alternates must submit their <u>Delegate Pledge and Acceptance Forms</u> to DPNM by this date. (DPNM will provide a form for delegates to sign at the June 22 National Convention Delegation meeting.)