



**GREEN AMENDMENTS  
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Pure Water. Clean Air. Healthy Environment.



New Mexico's oil and gas industry emits 570,000 tons of methane a year, the equivalent climate impact of 12 commercial coal-fired power plants. In the Permian, methane pollution, a known carcinogen, has more than doubled since 2011.

Sources: EPA, Environmental Defense Fund



New Mexico has the most extreme water scarcity in the nation. Due to over-drafting of the limited water by industry, agriculture, and municipal governments, which use over 80% of all groundwater and surface water combined, the largest reservoir is as low as 2.9% capacity. Without more equitable water resource management, communities face the increasing danger of "day-zeros", when taps run dry.

Sources: World Resource Institutes



From the pollution of indigenous lands with radioactive wastewater, to the desecration of sacred sites for oil infrastructure, to the contamination of water from the fracking boom in the San Juan Basin, native nations like the Navajo, Ute, Pueblo, and Apache are on the frontlines of environmental racism in New Mexico.



The Albuquerque-Santa Fe Metro Area received a "D" rating from the American Lung Association for days of elevated smog levels, while the greater Las Cruces region received an "F". Smog can inflame the lungs, increase the risk of stroke, exacerbate COPD (Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease), and increase the risk of a heart attack.

Sources: Department of Environmental Protection, American Lung Association

Industrial externalities, damaging development, and misplaced government decision-making have allowed the inalienable rights of all New Mexico residents to clean air, plentiful and pure water, a stable climate, and healthy environments to be violated. A Green Amendment would mandate that New Mexico government officials respect and protect these rights of all residents, including present and future generations, to healthy environments we need, honor, and depend upon. The self-executing amendment will allow legal redress when this right is violated.

**New Mexico Needs a Constitutional Amendment to Protect Our Right to Pure Water, Clean Air, a Stable Climate, and Healthy Environments!**

Learn more at [www.NMGreenAmendment.org](http://www.NMGreenAmendment.org)



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# What You Can Do to Help Advance a Green

## Amendment in New Mexico

### **1) Sign our petition if you support advancing a New Mexico Green Amendment and join our NM Community Google Group.**

We need your support! Help us demonstrate support for a New Mexico Green Amendment. By signing the petition, we will add you to our active google group to update the community and stay connected on the New Mexico Green Amendment.

Sign our petition at <https://bit.ly/NMPetitionSign>

### **2) Encourage others to sign the petition!**

Share the link on social media, or print a copy of the petition and take it with you to work, coffee shops, social gatherings or events, and ask others to sign the petition too. Once you have a completed sheet, be sure to mail or scan and email copies to [GAFTG@forthegenerations.org](mailto:GAFTG@forthegenerations.org).

You can print a copy at: <https://bit.ly/NMPetitionDownload>

### **3) Sign your group onto the Organization Petition in support of a NM Green Amendment.**

If you are a representative of an organization in NM that is supportive of advancing a NM Green Amendment and authorized to sign for your organization, then sign your organization here and encourage support from your members:

<http://bit.ly/NMGreenAmendmentSignOn>

### **4) Write an opinion piece to your local paper expressing the benefits a NM Green Amendment.**

Help us spread the word about the NM Green Amendment! Let your community members know what a Green Amendment is and how it can help your community and environment.

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