





HUMAN SERVICES REGISTER

I. DEPARTMENT

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II. SUBJECT

NEW MEXICO EXTRA HELP SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (SNAP)

III. PROGRAMS AFFECTED

EXTRA HELP SNAP

IV. ACTION

PROPOSED RULE

V. BACKGROUND

The Department is proposing a modification to the duration language for the New Mexico Extra Help SNAP pilot. The New Mexico Extra Help SNAP is a pilot demonstration project funded through the United States Department of Agriculture Food and Nutrition Services. The Department has received authorization to terminate the pilot effective April 30, 2013. All current New Mexico Extra Help SNAP recipients will receive notice and new applications to assist them in reviewing eligibility for ongoing regular SNAP benefits.

VI. PROPOSED RULE

This is an amendment to 8.139.504 NMAC, Section 4.

8.139.504.4 DURATION: [Permanent] The New Mexico Extra Help SNAP pilot shall terminate issuance of benefits in conjunction with the cessation of the program delivery section of the New Mexico Extra Help SNAP grant authorized by the United States department of agriculture food and nutrition services (FNS). FNS has authorized the cessation of the program delivery effective April 30, 2013.

VIII. PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing to receive testimony on this regulation will be held on March 4, 2013 from 9:00 am to 10:00 am. The hearing will be held at the Income Support Division

Conference Room at Pollon Plaza, 2009 S. Pacheco St., Santa Fe, NM 87505. The Conference room is located in room 120 on the lower level. Individuals wishing to testify may contact the Income Support Division, P.O. Box 2348, Santa Fe, NM 87504-2348, or by calling toll free 1-800-432-6217.

This register and proposed regulations are available on the Human Services Department website at http://www.hsd.state.nm.us/isd/ISDRegisters.html. If you do not have Internet access, a copy of the proposed regulations may be requested by contacting Income Support Division Policy and Program Development Bureau at 827-7219.

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IX. ADDRESS

Interested persons may address written or recorded comments to:

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