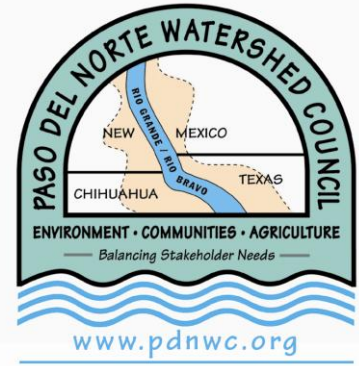


Paso del Norte Watershed Council Membership Application Form

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The Paso del Norte Watershed Council

The mission of the Paso del Norte Watershed Council (Council) is to investigate, develop, and recommend projects and activities for watershed planning and management and to explore how water-related resources can best be balanced to benefit the Rio Grande ecosystem and the interests of all watershed stakeholders. The Council will focus on the Paso del Norte Watershed, defined as the Rio Grande basin between Elephant Butte Dam/Reservoir in southern New Mexico to the confluence of the Rio Conchos in Presidio County, Texas. The Council provides an open and inclusive forum for the public and stakeholders who want to establish and maintain a healthy watershed.

Council Objectives:

- (1) The Council shall assess, recommend, support, coordinate, and implement projects and activities that protect and improve the health of the watershed.
- (2) The Council will continue to address environmental enhancements and mitigations associated with the El Paso-Las Cruces Regional Sustainable Water Project/EIS.
- (3) The Council shall recommend policies for cooperation, coordination, and the sharing of information concerning planning and management activities of projects affecting the watershed.
- (4) The Council will work with stakeholders to achieve these objectives.

Our current membership:

City of Las Cruces
Dona Ana County
El Paso League of Women Voters
Frontera Land Alliance
Mesilla Valley Bosque State Park
New Mexico Department of Agriculture
New Mexico State University
New Mexico Water Resources Research Institute
Rio Grande Council of Governments
Rio Grande Restoration
Sierra Alta Ranch LLC
S. Central NM Stormwater Management Coalition

Southwest Environmental Center
Texas AgriLife Research Center at El Paso
Universidad Autonoma de Ciudad Juarez
University of Texas at El Paso
U.S. Bureau of Land Management
U.S. Bureau of Reclamation
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
U.S. International Boundary and Water Commission
Ysleta del Sur Pueblo
Private Citizens

Types of Membership

Watershed Council membership consists of a diverse group of representatives of non-governmental organizations, federal and state agencies, water utilities, municipal governments, and universities, as well as private citizens. Membership on the Council is free and open to anyone who is dedicated to providing an integrated vision for watershed management. As a result, Council members represent diverse regional interests and provide interdisciplinary expertise in many aspects of watershed and natural resource management.

Members receive announcements about upcoming meetings and informational handouts/newsletters with related content. Members can utilize the Council's distribution list to disseminate information of interest. If you are associated with an agency or interest group, it can be an effective way to reach a diverse, regional audience dealing with watershed planning/management and water-related resources.

Executive Committee (EC) membership is voted on at the Council's annual meeting. The EC is a 20 member decision body that operates in accordance to our approved bylaws. If you are interested in a voting seat on the EC, please indicate as such and your name will appear on the next ballot if there is a vacancy.

Type of membership: Individual Group/Organization

The level of membership of interest is: Watershed Council Member

Executive Committee Member

Date: _____

Name/title: _____

Organization: _____

Website (if applicable): _____

Address: _____

City/ST/ZIP _____

Phone: _____

E-mail _____

Please describe your background or experience related to natural resources, watershed management or planning, ecological restoration, water quality, education/outreach, communication, or other areas related to the Council's mission and objectives.