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Dear Commission,
Attached are my comments regarding the proposed rule changes for 1.13.3.5 and 1.13.11 NMAC.
I support the rule changes.

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RE: Comments on proposed amendments to 1.13.3.5 and 1.13.3.11 NMAC

To who it may concern:

Regarding the proposed changes to 1.13.3.5 and 1.13.3.11 NMAC, I would encourage the Commission to approve these rule changes.

As a long-time member of the NM Historic Records Advisory Board (NMHRAB), I have seen these rules change and evolve, as circumstances have changed. I believe that the current proposed changes are in the best interest of the board and of the applicants who apply for grant funding.

In 1.13.3.5 NMAC, I strongly urge the adoption of wording for Section 8, subsection A that allows an organization affiliated with a board member to apply and potentially receive a grant, as long as the board member recuses himself from evaluating that grant proposal. The organization should not be penalized (barring it from applying for grants) simply because a member of its' organization serves as one of the NMHRAB board members. The current wording has actually hampered adding new board members, since the organizations did not want to lose the right to apply for grants.

I also support the removal of subsections B through E of Section 9, which outlines in detail what is to be found on the application. Having this in the rule does not allow the NMHRAB any flexibility as it develops the grant program each year. Removing this language is the right thing to do.

In 1.13.9.11, I support the change to expand the total number of NMHRAB members. Allowing the board to exist with membership between 7 and 12 members, provides a more diverse composition for the board and provides more members to carry out the workplan and mission of the board.

Again, I support the proposed changes to rules 1.13.3.5 and 1.13.3.11 NMAC, and I encourage the Commission to approve these rule changes.

Sincerely,

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