



NEW MEXICO BOARD OF LICENSURE FOR
PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS & PROFESSIONAL SURVEYORS

Board Newsletter

NM BLPEPS | 2025



The New Mexico Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers and Professional Surveyors was established by the State Legislature in 1935.

The mission of the Engineering and Surveying Licensing Program is to regulate the practices of engineering and surveying in the State as they relate to the welfare of the public in safeguarding life, health, and property.

The purpose of the Board is to provide licensed professional engineers and licensed professional surveyors to consumers of engineering and surveying services so they may be assured that only qualified licensees are permitted to provide these services. This is done by effectively administering the Engineering and Surveying Practice Act and Rules through its Program and its major activities.

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2025 License Renewals & System Update

The 2025 license renewal period is now available. We are accepting paper renewals, checks, and/or money orders. Please mail your renewal with payment and allow enough time for processing before your license expires on December 31, 2025.

Please visit our [License Renewal page](#) for more information.

The Board's IT project to implement an online licensing system is ongoing. More information will be available at a later date.

Licensure & The Board

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The New Mexico Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers and Professional Surveyors (NMBLPEPS) was established by legislation passed into law by the New Mexico State Legislature and Governor Clyde Tingley in 1935 and has been the consumer protection agency for engineering and surveying services since then. The official charge to the Board, as well as licensees, is "safeguarding life, health and property and to promote the public welfare," Engineering and Surveying Practice Act (2023), Section 61-23-1.1.



We as consumers make routine decisions on which goods and services we procure for ourselves. However, consumers do not get to choose who could best design bridges, roads, and other public infrastructure that are used every day by all of us. Similarly, consumers do not get a choice.....

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Unlocking Opportunities: New Mexico's Flourishing Engineering Marketplace

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As a licensed Professional Engineer with experience both within and outside the state of New Mexico, I am eager to shed light on the burgeoning opportunities that make the Land of Enchantment a prime marketplace for design professionals, including those engineers based beyond its.....

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5G Millimeter Wave: Improving Wireless Capacity

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With the ever-growing demands of increased data capacity comes the need for more contiguous bandwidth. The currently available frequency spectrums are simply insufficient and getting too congested for the speed and latency requirements of today's gigabit mobile user. Over its 40-year history, the cellular spectrum.....

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NM BLPEPS NEWS

New Board Members



Gabriel Flores, PE

Gabriel earned his B.S. in Mechanical Engineering from the University of New Mexico in 1983 and brings over 42 years of experience as an Automation Engineer. He has been a licensed Professional Engineer in New Mexico since 1992 and in Idaho since 2022.....

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Mark Dubbin, PE

Mark joined the Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers and Professional Surveyors in December 2024. A licensed fire protection engineer in New Mexico, Texas, Arizona, and Florida, he also maintains an NCEES International Record.....

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Annual Election of Officers



The election of Officers was held at the regular meetings in June 2025. The results are as follows:

- John D. Wayne, Board Chair
- Elizabeth D. McNally, Board Vice-Chair/PEC Chair
- Benjamin M. Aragon, Board Secretary
- Gabriel Flores, PEC Vice-Chair
- Robert Gromatzky, PSC Chair
- Maxine McReynolds, PSC Vice-Chair

The Handbook for New Mexico Building Officials

The Joint Practices Committee (JPC) has prepared this handbook in the spirit of service to the public by the Board of Examiners for Architects, the Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers and Professional Surveyors, and the Board of Landscape Architects.

This handbook is intended as a source of basic information and does not attempt to address all of the questions concerning the practices of architecture, engineering, surveying, and landscape architecture.

The Handbook for NM Building Officials was updated in 2025. Periodic updates to this handbook will be made and will be posted on the Boards' website [here](#).



SaGES Educator Award



The Board is pleased to announce that Dr. Ahmed F. Elaksher, PE, PS, a member of the Board, has been awarded the 2025 Educator Award by the Surveying and Geomatics Educators Society ([SaGES](#)).

This prestigious honor recognizes Dr. Elaksher's outstanding contributions to education in the fields of surveying and geomatics.

Congratulations, Dr. Elaksher, on this well-deserved recognition!

New Mexico State University Earns National Recognition in Surveying Education



The National Council of Examiners for

Engineering and Surveying (NCEES) recently announced the recipients of the 2025 NCEES Surveying Education Award.

We are proud to share that the Geomatics/Surveying Engineering program within the Department of Engineering Technology and Surveying Engineering at New Mexico State University was among this year's awardees.

Excellence runs deep in the NMSU Geomatics/Surveying Engineering program. With NCEES awards in 2024, 2022, 2021, 2019, and 2017, six in total, the program has built a legacy of achievement few can rival.

Congratulations to the faculty, students, and staff for this outstanding recognition!

Read the full announcement [here](#).

Professional Surveyor's Guide to Right of Entry



The guide was created to assist New Mexico Professional Surveyors in educating the public; and as a reminder to the professionals on the right of entry and their responsibilities.

The Professional Surveyor's Guide to Right of Entry can be found [here](#).

License Status Report



October 2025

The Board reports a total of **11,660** active licenses statewide.

Professional Engineers (PEs)

Total Active: **11,065**

- In State: **1,987**
- Out of State: **9,078**

Professional Surveyors (PSs)

Total Active: **589**

- In State: **210**
- Out of State: **379**

**Dual Licensees (PE & PS)*

Among those listed above, **39** individuals hold dual licenses as both professional engineers and surveyors (two separate license numbers).

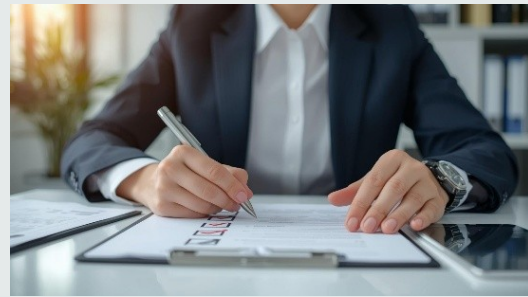
- In State: **21**
- Out of State: **18**

Professional Engineer/Professional Surveyor (PEPS) (one license number)

A total of **6** active PEPS licenses are currently held:

- In State: **5**
- Out of State: **1**

Compliance Report



November 2025

Active Cases:

- PE - 21
- PS - 8

Active Self-Reports:

- PE - 6
- PS - 0

Active PDH Audits

- PE - 2
- PS - 1

Applicants and licensees are required to self-report disciplinary actions and convictions to the Board within 90 days pursuant to [16.39.7.9.D NMAC](#).

To self-report, please email compliance@blpeps.nm.gov

NMBLPEPS University Support & Scholarship Program Report



The Board implemented the Engineering and Surveying University Support Program, Section 61-23-35 of the NM Engineering and Surveying Practice Act, NMSA 1978, which was approved by the State Legislature in 2019. The original intent was to provide scholarships to students of the engineering and surveying professions through qualified NM educational institutions. The program was amended in the 2023 legislative session to expand the criteria to include funding for equipment and related materials to qualified NM educational institutions to support the education of engineering and surveying students and to increase the annual funding of the program from \$100,000 to \$250,000.

In the **current Fiscal Year 2026** (July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025), the Board has an allocated amount of \$250,000: \$100,000 for NM student scholarships, and \$150,000 for NM university support. No disbursements have been made yet.

In **Fiscal Year 2025** (July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025), the Board paid the following amounts to NM universities for the University Support and Scholarship programs:

University Support (to purchase equipment and related materials that support the education of engineering and surveying students):

- NMSU, Engineering Technology Surveying Program - \$49,395
- NM Institute of Mining and Tech, Engineering Program - \$98,993

Scholarships to support engineering and surveying students:

- NMSU, Engineering Program – \$23,333
- NMSU, Surveying Program - \$30,000
- NM Institute of Mining and Tech, Engineering Program – \$23,333
- UNM, Engineering Program – \$23,333

Retirees



Retired Profession Engineers and Professional Surveyors

The New Mexico Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers and Professional Surveyors would like to thank the following retirees for their dedicated service to the citizens of New Mexico.

RETIRED PEPS

Successful Examinees



November 20, 2024, Through October 8, 2025

Fundamentals of Engineering (FE)

The FE exam is the first step to becoming a licensed Professional Engineer (PE).

The NM BLPEPS would like to congratulate the following examinees who passed the FE exam.

FE PASSING EXAMINEES

Fundamentals of Surveying (FS) Examinees

The FS exam is the first step to becoming a licensed Professional Surveyor (PS).

The NM BLPEPS would like to congratulate the following examinees who passed the FS exam.

FS PASSING EXAMINEES

Principles and Practice of Engineering (PE) Examinees

The NM BLPEPS would like to congratulate the following examinees who passed PE exam.

Their dedication to completing the path to professional licensure sets an example for the next generation of engineers.

PE PASSING EXAMINEES

Practice of Surveying (PS)

The NM BLPEPS would like to congratulate the following examinees who passed the PS exam.

Their dedication to completing the path to professional licensure sets an example for the next generation of surveyors.

PS PASSING EXAMINEES

NM State Specific 2 Hour PE Examinees

The NM BLPEPS would like to congratulate the following examinees who passed the NM State Specific exam.

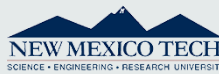
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NM PASSING EXAMINEES

Honor Cords

In May 2018, the Board of Licensure launched a pilot program to recognize students who passed the *Fundamentals of Engineering (FE)* or *Fundamentals of Surveying (FS)* exams before graduation. To celebrate this accomplishment, each student received a special red and yellow honor cord from the Board to wear with their graduation regalia.

The colors are symbolic of New Mexico's heritage, and were carefully chosen to complement, not conflict with, the honor cords of the participating universities: the University of New Mexico, New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology, and New Mexico State University.

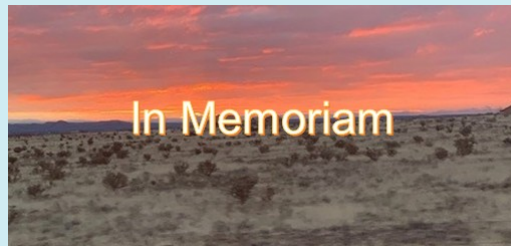


The following graduates passed the FE prior to graduation and were provided with a red and yellow honor cord:

Allen, Kyle Randall
Arias, Carlos Angel
Baloun, Kirk
Barker, Justin
Belcher, Hunter Alan
Brook, Ethan Michael
Bukowski, Carson Taylor
Castaneda, Ivan J
Collins, Elijah
Cox, Madison
Crosswhite, Caleb Ryan
Dunaway, Chase Alexander
Fenner, Hayden Thomas
Gatto, Isabella
Goodyear, Sean

Huntington, Robert
Ivil, Robert Stephen, III
Jenkins, Ethan Montgomery
Jones, Ethan Ryan
Lopez, Marcos M
Lozano Acosta, Mariana
Lyons, Peter
Malek, Kaveh
Mancuso de Lopez, Zoey
Mauriot, Louis R
Mendez, Santiago
Mohammadkhorasani, Ali
Mulder, Matthew Arend
Nikolai, Jacob Curtis
O-Herron-Alex, Gabriel

Padilla, Syanna
Pierce Stidham, Griffin
Powell, Allison
Probst, Isaiah Ernesto
Pujalla, Christian
Rawson, James
Ritchie, Jaimie
Sanei, Mahsa
Sisk, Brandon
Steinkraus, Nicholas
Thomason, Matthew Lee
Thompson, Samantha Renae
Van Cleave, Allan
Weithorn, Arthur A
Whitt, Wyatt J



Ames, Lauren
Anderson, Danny R.
Apodaca, Morris Adolpho
Bordenave, Jean
Calhoun, Delmar
Earp, Ormonde
Groseclose, Jay

Hill, Leslie R.
Leisher, William
Moser, Bill
Peralta, Dennis
Perry, Robert Charles
Plamondon, Maynard
Sosaya, Johnny

Save the Date

- NM BLPEPS Regular Meetings are scheduled for November 6-7, 2025, in Santa Fe. Please see the [Meeting Schedule](#) for a complete list of future meetings.
 - [NMSPE](#) 2025 Issues Conference will be held on Friday, November 21, 2025, at the UNM Continuing Education Center
 - [NMPS](#) announced the joint [Western Regional Survey Conference](#), which will be held March 18-26, 2026, in Las Vegas, NV.
 - NCEES 2026 Wester Zone Meeting will be held April 30-May 2, 2026, in Bend, OR.
 - NCEES 2026 Annual Meeting will be held August 18-21, 2026, in Henderson, NV.
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Request for Newsletter Articles

The New Mexico Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers and Professional Surveyors is looking for articles written by NM licensees for future newsletters. **Per the New Mexico Engineering and Surveying Administrative Code, a licensee can obtain 5 professional development hours (PDHs) for each published article in the licensee's area of professional practice.**

Requirements for the newsletter:

- Must be a minimum of 2 - 3 paragraphs.
- Minimum of 300 words with a maximum of 500 words.
- Must be submitted in Word format.
- Must include full references for any citations
- Must include your Name, Title, and email address
- Must be emailed to info@blpeps.nm.gov



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