



2001 Annual Meeting of the Organization of Agreement States

Hosted by the New Mexico Environment Department
Radiation Protection Program

Invitation to Santa Fe, New Mexico for the 2001 Annual Meeting of the Organization of Agreement States

The Radiation Protection Program of the New Mexico Environment Department is pleased to host the 2001 annual meeting of the OAS in Santa Fe, to be held October 8 through 10 at the Hilton of Santa Fe.

The Hilton of Santa Fe offers an excellent venue for the OAS. Located just two blocks from the famous Santa Fe Plaza, the Hilton is decorated throughout with beautiful regional artwork and antiques. The ornate facility preserves the historic adobe walled Ortiz Hacienda, one of Santa Fe's well known historical sites. The hotel offers fine dining, shopping, concierge and guest services, as well as a pool, Jacuzzi, and exercise room.

Santa Fe is the second oldest town in the U.S., and capital of the State of New Mexico. It was founded in 1607 by the Spanish, 13 years before the Pilgrims landed at Plymouth Rock. Today the city is busy and modern, with a population of 60,000. Santa Fe has 150 art galleries, 50 Indian jewelry shops, 13 major museums, and a world-famous opera. Santa Fe is one of the largest art markets in the world. Rated in the top 10 destinations in the world by Condé Nast for 4 out of the past 5 years, Santa Fe is the ideal destination for vacationers as well as a popular host city for retreats and business meetings.

The city is known for Northern New Mexican cuisine, which is a savory combination of Native American and Hispanic ingredients that revolve around one of the state's best known crops, chile (spelled with an "e" at the end instead of an "i"). Order your enchiladas either "hot" or "mild", with "red" or "green" chile. Red or green refers to the color of the chile, a mixture of which may be ordered as "Christmas". Don't forget to ask for sopaipillas with honey, too.

Santa Fe rests at altitudes from 7,000 to 7,500 feet at the foot of the Sangre de Cristo chain of the Rocky Mountains. Temperatures in early October range from lows of about 35 degrees to highs of about 70 degrees. The nearby mountains should be splashed with the autumn gold of high country aspen. It is not uncommon for early snow to fall in the mountains, occasionally dipping into Santa Fe. Attendees are advised to bring warm clothing such as sweaters or light jackets. Those visiting the high country should be prepared with winter clothing and supplies.

New Mexico is an extremely diverse State, as exhibited in its people, cultures, terrain, and climates. Please accept the warmest of invitations to come visit our home, the Land of Enchantment.



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Hilton of Santa Fe
100 Sandoval Street
Santa Fe, NM 87501
Phone (505)988-2811
Fax (505)986-6439

<http://www.santafehilton.com/>

A block of rooms at the Hilton have been reserved from Sunday October 7 through Thursday October 11. The Hilton of Santa Fe will honor the government rate 3 days prior and post to the block dates (with availability). The room rates are:

Single/Double Occupancy \$90/day + tax
Extra Person Charge \$20/day + tax
Tax rates currently total 11.4375%.

Individual attendees must make their reservations directly with the Hilton of Santa Fe by calling (505)988-2811 or toll-free to (800)HILTONS. Request the group rate for "Organization of Agreement States 2001". Reservations must be made no later than September 7, 2001. The Hilton will not guarantee the government rate for reservations made after September 7.



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HOW TO GET HERE

Santa Fe is located on Interstate-25 approximately 1 hour north of Albuquerque. For attendees flying to the meeting, we recommend the Albuquerque International Airport (instead of the Santa Fe Airport) for better fares and easier connections. Albuquerque is served by the following airlines: America West, American, Continental, Delta, Frontier, Mesa, Northwest, Southwest, TWA, and United. Due to coincidence with the Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta, ***those traveling by air should make their reservations ASAP.***

Numerous rental cars agencies serve the Albuquerque airport. Several shuttle services provide transportation 7 to 10 times daily between the Albuquerque International Airport and downtown Santa Fe. Contact them directly for schedules and rates:

Santa Fe Shuttle

(888) 833-2300

(505) 243-2300

Express Shuttle (Grey Line)

(800) 256-8991

Sandia Shuttle Express

(888) 775-5696

(505) 474-5696

The following airlines serve Santa Fe: **America West Express**, connecting through Phoenix, 2 flights/day; and **United Express**, connecting through Denver, 11 flights/day.

Rental car companies serving Santa Fe include Advantage, Alamo, Avis, Budget, Dollar, Enterprise, Hertz, and Thrifty.

Driving Directions

For those approaching Santa Fe on Interstate-25. Take St. Francis Drive at exit 282 and follow northerly for about 2.5 miles to Cerrillos Road. Turn right on Cerillos Road and follow for about 0.6 miles to the Sandoval Street fork. Angle left and follow Sandoval Street for about 0.3 miles.

For those approaching Santa Fe from the north on US285-84. Turn left on W. Alameda Street and follow easterly for about 0.6 miles. The Hilton of Santa Fe will be on your left.

For those arriving at the Santa Fe Airport. Exit the airport on Airport Road and follow for about 3 miles to Cerrillos Road. Turn left on Cerrillos Road and follow for about 5 miles to the Sandoval Street fork. Angle left and follow Sandoval Street for about 0.3 miles.



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FEATURES

Meeting Reception

Everyone is invited to the meeting reception on Monday, October 8 starting at 6:00 p.m. The reception will be at the Chamisa Courtyard Café in the Hilton, where casual attire will be in order. Hors d'oeuvres will be served and a cash bar will be provided. We'll have a flavor of northern New Mexico with guacamole, salsa, chips, fajitas, tamales, chile con queso, empenadas, and bischochitos.

Walking Ghost Tour of Santa Fe

Take a evening walking tour of Santa Fe's haunts along the Plaza. Starting at the Hilton, this guided tour proceeds to the La Fonda Hotel and the remainder of the Plaza where we'll visit the ghosts of the territorial era. An entertaining mixture of history and fun on the Old Santa Fe Trail. The tour will be conducted on October 9 from 6:00 p.m. to about 7:30 p.m. The registration fee is \$10 per person, \$5 per person under the age of 10 years.

Historical Tour of Santa Fe

A guided, walking tour that acquaints visitors with the history of Santa Fe and New Mexico. The tour surveys the 400 year history of Santa Fe, taking in the Museum of New Mexico, the Palace of the Governors, and several other attractions. The outing starts at the Hilton on October 10 at 9:00 a.m., lasting about 2 hours. The registration fee is \$10 per person, \$5 per person under the age of 10 years.

Tour of Trinity Site

The OAS is offering a continuing education tour of Trinity Site, the location where the first nuclear weapon was detonated. Trinity Site is registered with National Historic Registry as a National Landmark. The tour will be on October 11, departing the Hilton of Santa Fe in early morning and returning in the late afternoon. Representatives from the White Sands Missile Range will serve as our tour guides. The site is safe to visit, so families and people of all ages are encouraged to attend. A stop for lunch will be made at the rustic Owl Bar and Café in the town San Antonio, however box lunches are available from the Hilton of Santa Fe for \$12 each. Facilities at Trinity Site will be limited to restrooms (probably porta-potties). Trinity Site is about 180 miles from Santa Fe, so expect a full day. Come experience a location that is truly unique to the history of mankind. The registration fee is \$30 per meeting attendee and \$15 per guest.



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OTHER ATTRACTIONS

Santa Fe Plaza

The historic Plaza is located just 2 blocks from the Hilton of Santa Fe. For centuries people have met on the Plaza to trade news, buy and sell goods and share community celebrations. Today's visitors to the Plaza can shop for native American jewelry and art and enjoy America's finest Southwestern cuisine. Located on the Plaza is the Palace of the Governors built in 1610, which today houses the Museum of New Mexico. Attractions adjacent to the plaza include the St. Francis Cathedral which is the oldest church in America, the Georgia O'Keeffe Art Museum, and the Institute of American Indian Arts Museum. These are all within walking distance from the Hilton of Santa Fe.

Additional Attractions

- The 2001 Albuquerque Kodak International Balloon Fiesta held October 6-14.
Website at <http://www.balloonfiesta.com>, telephone 1-888-422-7277.
- The Cumbres and Toltec Scenic Railroad. Narrow gauge traversing the high mountain country from Cumbres, New Mexico to Antonito, Colorado. Great fun kids of all ages!
Website at <http://www.cumbrestoltec.com>, telephone 1-888-286-2737.
- Bradbury Science Museum in Los Alamos. History of scientific research at the labs.
Website at <http://www.lanl.gov/worldview/museum/index.shtml>, telephone 1-505-667-5061.
- National Atomic Museum at Sandia National Laboratories in Albuquerque.
Website at <http://www.atomicmuseum.com>, telephone 1-505-284-3243.
- Bandelier National Monument. Ruins of ancient cliff dwellers located in the mountains near Los Alamos. A good family activity.
Telephone 1-505-672-0343.
- Sandia Peak Tram, the longest aerial tramway in the world near Albuquerque.
Website <http://www.sandiapeak.com/>, telephone 1-505-856-7325.
- New Mexico Department of Tourism
Website <http://www.newmexico.org>, telephone 1- 800-733-6396 ext 0643.
- Santa Fe Convention & Visitors Bureau
Website <http://www.santafe.org>, telephone 1-505-955-6200.
- Taos County Chamber of Commerce
Website <http://www.taoschamber.com>, telephone 1-800-732-TAOS (8267).



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REGISTRATION FORM

(This form may be copied and distributed in your organization as necessary.)

Name: _____ Nickname: _____
Affiliation: _____
Address: _____
City/State/Zip: _____
Business Phone: _____ Fax: _____
E-mail: _____

REGISTRATION FEES:

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(Fee includes breaks and Monday night reception.)

\$50.00

Ghost Tour of Santa Fe (October 9) # of Tickets ____ x \$10.00 \$ _____

Historic Tour of Santa Fe (October 10) # of Tickets ____ x \$10.00 \$ _____

Trinity Site Tour, Continuing Education (October 11)

(Fee includes transportation, sodas, and bottled water. Cost of lunch not included.)

OAS Meeting Attendee \$30.00 \$ _____

Guests # of Tickets ____ x \$15.00 \$ _____

Subtotal (Meeting + Tours) \$ _____

Add 20% surcharge for registration after September 7, 2001 \$ _____

TOTAL \$ _____

REGISTRATION NOTES:

1. Regular registration ends September 7, 2001. Late registration continues through October 8.
2. All payments must be received no later than October 8, 2001 in the form of cash, check, or money order made payable to "Organization of Agreement States 2001".
3. Occupancy for the Trinity Tour is limited, and cannot be guaranteed for registrations received after September 7, 2001.
4. Remittance of fees to be submitted to:

Organization of Agreement States 2001
c/o Radiation Protection Program
New Mexico Environment Department
PO Box 26110
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87502

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

All registrations may be sent by fax to (505)827-1863 or by e-mail to stanley_fitch@nmenv.state.nm.us. If you fax or e-mail your registration, please do not mail the original. Point of contact for registration and local arrangements is Stanley Fitch at (505)827-1868.