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"Please adopt the PFAS Firefighting Foam Bill rulemaking. New Mexico should adopt this rulemaking to protect the health and wellbeing of New Mexicans and our state from the harms of aqueous film forming foams (AFFF) and intentionally added AFFF-PFAS in products that present very real dangers to our health and wellbeing. It is not always clear what types and levels of AFFFs-PFAS have been added or utilized, and New Mexicans are frequently in the dark about the levels of AFFF-PFAS contamination, the duration of exposure of that contamination, and the exposure-degree-of-magnitude/significance that can cause very real and harmful health impacts. Rejecting this rulemaking would have long-term negative consequences for health, affordability of medical treatments related to prolonged exposure to industrial types and levels of PFAS including AFFFs, as well as the cost of remediation of our waters, lands, and agriculture. Essentially, it is our state's wellbeing that is negatively affected by any and all PFAS pollution. I hope that you will choose to make New Mexico a leader against AFFFs and other industrial types and levels of PFAS Contamination by adopting this rulemaking. Thank you.