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New Mexico is seeing record breaking temperatures year after year. Protecting worker lives is a necessity and NM has to lead the way nationally in this effort. A state heat standard would set clear rules to protect workers, including breaks, water, shade, training and safety plans. Without a plan in place, workers have endured dangerous conditions that are not only inhumane, but strain the medical system, businesses, and can cost people their lives. The stakes are high, and the need for a heat protection rule is clear. As a nurse in our community, I urge you to support this initiative. Thank you.