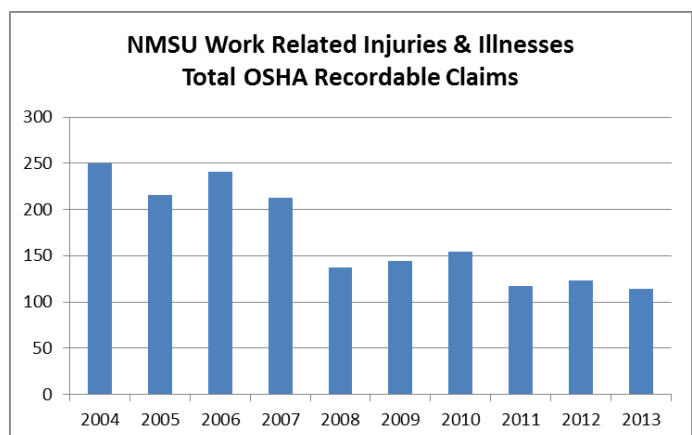


Administration and Finance
Weekly Activity Report
Week Ending: February 14, 2014

- **Issuance of Subordinate Lien Revenue Improvement Bonds, Series 2014** – NMSU’s request to the New Mexico Higher Education Department for the issuance of Subordinate Lien Improvement Revenue Bonds was approved on February 12, 2014. The issuance will provide about \$16 million to fund various energy cost savings improvements throughout the University’s campus.
- **Guaranteed Energy Savings Contract** – NMSU’s Guaranteed Utility Savings Contract was approved by the New Mexico Higher Education Department on February 12, 2014.
- **Candidate Evaluations for Vice President of University Advancement/Foundation President Due** – Campus visits for finalists for the position of Vice President for University Advancement have been completed. Candidate feedback forms available at <http://webcomm.nmsu.edu/hire/vpuafps/finalists2/> will be accepted until 5:00 pm on Monday, February 17.
- **NMSU Barnes & Noble Bookstore Events** – Book events were held for La Sociedad featuring Carrie Fountain’s book Burn Lake and the NMSU Black Programs featuring Cornell West’s Hope on a Tightrope.
- **2013 OSHA 300 Log Results** – Environmental Health & Safety reports that the 2013 OSHA 300 log, a summary of employee injuries and illnesses, has been compiled and is posted on the NMSU safety website, <http://safety.NMSU.edu> . This log lists summary information on cases and time (days) lost or work restrictions because of reportable injury (or illness) by NMSU employees in 2013. The number of OSHA recordable injury cases with lost or restricted time for 2013 is only 59. This is very good, as the count has decreased substantially (40-50%) since the early 2000’s to the current low (see bar chart). Additional details are provided in the [NEWS](#) article on the [safety website](#). Questions on the log details should be directed to NMSU Environmental Health & Safety, Phone: 575-646-3327.



- Fulfilling President's Climate Commitment –**
 When NMSU signed the Presidents' Climate Commitment in 2007 we agreed to lower our greenhouse gas emissions. Facilities and Services purchased four tricycles and all safety-related equipment to get around campus on our own personal-power. Zero emissions with lots of health benefits. You can see one of them at the Office of Sustainability on the NW corner of Regents Row.



- Campus Master Electrical Infrastructure Plan –** FS PD& E is actively working on the Campus Master Electrical Infrastructure Plan. The electrical infrastructure project will insure that all campus buildings have one electrical service to provide a single cutoff point for the building electrical supply in case of emergency. The pictures to the right illustrate a 25-kV conduit ductbank run encased in 3000 PSI red concrete and the concrete footings for the vaults that will hold the 25-kV 4-way switch and the 1000-kVA transformer. This project will facilitate moving buildings from the 5-kV Electrical system to the 25-kV electrical system.



- Gerald Thomas Hall Remodel –** FS PD&E Project Manager Orasa Vaught is overseeing the construction project at Gerald Thomas Hall to remodel two rooms on the first floor into a new Student Retail Store. The College of Agriculture, Consumer and Environmental Sciences plans to open the store in the late summer with the food science class being the initial tenant, selling gelato, sorbet and brownie and cornbread mixes. Opportunities may exist to expand the store to include selling meat products made by animal science students, cheeses from food science students, vegetables and flowers grown by horticulture students and more. The Las Cruces Sun News has published an article about the New Retail Store that can be viewed at http://www.lcsun-news.com/las_cruces-news/ci_25079205/new-nmsu-shop-offer-student-made-foods.
- NMSU sets new record for wireless connections with 8,376 users simultaneously connected to NMSU's wireless network –** ICT is upgrading NMSU's wireless access points to meet the new 802.11ac communication standard. The first building scheduled for the upgrade is Clara Belle Williams.
- ICT presents funding request proposal with the Student Fee Review Board –** ICT reviewed with the Board the projects for which Student Technology Fee funds for FY 2014 would be used. The projects included expansion of wireless service across campus, adding smart

classrooms, updating all Aggie print stations on campus (WEPA), and promotion of Office 365.

- **ICT and NMSU's Engineering Technology Department collaborate on a pilot program to create virtual computer clusters for use in the department's computer courses** – The program allows students to use virtual computers, which are software-based computers that exactly emulate physical computers. The use of virtual computers gives students the opportunity to use multiple systems while greatly reducing the cost to NMSU. Virtual computers also allow distance education students the same computer lab experience as on-campus students.