



Agenda

For Presentation at the
2,234th Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the
Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District



April 13, 2026 – 3:00 p.m.

Zoom Meeting Link:

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All items on Agenda are Subject to Action and times shown are approximate and are subject to change.

- 3:00 1. **Pledge of Allegiance**
- 3:01 2. **Approval of the Agenda**
- 3:03 3. **Consent Agenda**
 - a. Consideration/Approval of Payment Ratification – March 2026
 - b. Consideration/Approval of March 2026 Invoices for Wiggins, Williams & Wesenberg, PC
 - c. Consideration/Approval of March 2026 Invoices for Spencer Fane LLP
 - d. Consideration/Approval of the Minutes for the Regular Board Meetings – March 9, 2026
 - e. Consideration/Approval of the Minutes for the Special Board Meetings – March 16, 2026
 - f. Memo on MRGCD Approved Licenses for March 2026 (For Informational Purposes Only)
- 3:05 4. **Report(s) from the Director of Human Resources – Christine L. Nardi, MBA**
 - a. Employee Recognition - Casey Ish, Director of Lands & Conservation
 - b. Introduction of MRGCD New Hires – Steve Kinberger, Human Resources Generalist II
- 3:15 5. **Report(s) from the Water Operations**
 - a. Report on Water Supply Conditions – Anne Marken, River Operations & Telemetry Manager
 - b. Report on Water Distribution – Matt Martinez, Irrigation Distribution Manager
- 3:55 6. **Items from the Floor (Comments are limited to three (3) minutes)**
- 4:15 7. **Report(s) from the Department of the Interior**
 - a. Bureau of Reclamation – John Irizarry-Nazario, Deputy Area Manager
 - b. Bureau of Indian Affairs – Patrick Taber, Acting Designated Engineer
- 4:45 8. **Report(s) from the Chief Procurement Officer – Richard DeLoia**
 - a. Consideration/Approval for Purchase of Mid-Size Excavator
 - b. Consideration/Approval for Purchase of Fire Ready Dozer
 - c. Consideration/Approval for Professional Services from ANM for an IT Assessment
- 5:00 9. **Report(s) from the Director of Lands & Conservation – Casey Ish**
 - a. Update on 2026 Water Leasing Program and Upcoming Enrollment Window
 - b. Consideration/Approval of 5 Year MoA with Explora - Casey Ish, Director of Lands & Conservation and Vice Chair Baugh
 - c. Consideration/Approval of State Land Office Fee and Grant of Easement for Bernalillo to Belen (Mountain View Unit) - Right-of-Way Easement No. R-42759
 - d. Report on MRGCD Interagency Fire Coordination Meeting, April 2, 2026 – Casey Ish, Director of Lands & Conservation and Vice Chair Baugh
- 5:20 10. **Report(s) from the Director of Technical Services – Eric Zamora, PE**
 - a. Report on Unified Fire
 - b. Maintenance and Construction Updates
- 5:40 11. **Report(s) from the Secretary-Treasurer/CFO – Pamela Fanelli, CMA, CGFM**
 - a. Report on Finance Committee Meeting, April 13, 2026 – Chair Kelly, Vice Chair Baugh, and Director Russo Baca

- b. Consideration/Approval of the Isleta Diversion Dam Settlement Liability Payment
- c. Consideration/Approval of Resolution BA-04-13-26-113 Adoption of Amended Budget for Fiscal Year 2026 (07-01-25 to 06-30-26)
- d. Consideration/Approval of the 3rd Quarter Financial Reports
- e. General Discussion on the Development of the Fiscal Year 2027 Budget

6:00 **12. Report(s) from the Chief Engineer/CEO – Jason M. Casuga, P.E.**

- a. Report on Albuquerque Levee FEMA Study, Jason M. Casuga, Chief Engineer/CEO, Chuck Thomas, P.E., Petroglyph Consulting, LLC, and Luke Smith, P.E., Wilson & Company
- b. Report on Meeting with Pueblo of Isleta, March 11, 2026
- c. Report on Meeting with Pueblo of San Felipe, March 16, 2026
- d. Report on Meeting with Pueblo of Sandia, March 17 and 23, 2026
- e. Report on Valencia County Arroyo Flood Control District Meeting, March 19, 2026 and April 9, 2026
- f. Report on Rio Grande 6-Pueblo Coalition Meeting, April 9, 2026 – Jason M. Casuga, Chief Engineer/CEO and Director Russo Baca
- g. Information on Upcoming Events:
 - 1. Candelaria Nature Preserve Tree Nursery Grand Opening Event, April 14, 2026 2:00 pm: 3301 Rio Grande Blvd. NW, Albuquerque, NM
 - 2. Rio Grande Compact Commission Annual Meeting, April 17, 2026: Santa Fe, NM
 - 3. The Utton Transboundary Resources Center, Community Conversation on Water, April 18, 2026 11:00 am: Sabinal Community Center
 - 4. 2026 Water Leaders Workshop, April 20-22, 2026: Ruidoso, NM
 - 5. Law of the Colorado River Annual Conference, May 18-19, 2026: Santa Fe, NM
 - 6. MRGCD’s Community and Farmers Informational Meetings 9:00 am – 12:00 pm
 - a. May 28, 2026, Sandoval County – Village of Corrales Gym
 - b. June 4, 2026, Bernalillo County – Village of Los Ranchos Village Hall
 - c. June 18, 2026, Valencia County – Village of Los Lunas Train Station Auditorium
 - d. June 24, 2026, Socorro County – City of Socorro Convention Center
 - 7. 2026 Next Generation Water Summit, June 11-12, 2026: Santa Fe, NM
 - 8. Present MRGCD’s First Quarterly Update on the Atrisco Acequia Madre Project at the Bernalillo County Commission Administrative Meeting, June 23, 2026: Albuquerque, NM

6:20 **13. Report(s) from the MRGCD Attorney(s) – Chief Water Counsel or General Counsel**

6:25 **14. Board Communications of Merit**

- a. Report on Phone Call with APS Board President Ronald Tome Warito, March 5, 2026 – Vice Chair Baugh
- b. Report on Phone Call with Polk Middle School Garden Teacher Travis Mckenzie, March 6, 2026 – Vice Chair Baugh
- c. Report on Phone Call with Jay Rembe, March 10, 2026 – Vice Chair Baugh
- d. Report on Phone Call with Village of Los Ranchos Trustee Baldwin, March 24, 2026 – Vice Chair Baugh
- e. Report on Turnout Application Completed Polk Middle School Principal, March 27, 2026 – Vice Chair Baugh
- f. Report on Phone Call with Polk Middle School, March 30, 2026 – Vice Chair Baugh
- g. Report on Phone Call with Agri-Nature Center, April 1, 2026 – Vice Chair Baugh

6:35 **15. Report(s) from the Board**

- a. Report on the Middle Rio Grande Urban Waters Spring Quarterly Meeting, March 10, 2026 – Director Russo Baca
- b. Report on Urban Issues Committee Meeting, March 11, 2026 – Vice Chair Baugh, Directors Dunning and Russo Baca
- c. Report on the Personnel Committee Meeting, March 12, 2026 – Chair Kelly, Directors Dunning and Russo Baca
- d. Report on the Acequia Walk and Talk, March 13, 2026 - Director Russo Baca
- e. Report on the Community Resource Fair at Garfield Middle School, March 14, 2026 – Directors Dunning and Russo Baca

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- f. Report on the Los Ranchos Regular Board of Trustees Meeting, March 17, 2026 – Vice Chair Baugh and Director Russo Baca
- g. Report on Village of Los Ranchos Agriculture Sub-Committee, March 18, 2026 – Vice Chair Baugh
- h. Report on the VSWCD Board Meeting, March 19, 2026 – Director Russo Baca
- i. Report on OSE’s Plan to Prevent the Pending Middle Rio Grande Compact Violation, March 19, 2026 – Vice Chair Baugh and Director Dunning
- j. Report on the Backyard Refuge Day, March 21, 2026 – Director Russo Baca
- k. Report on Red Shovel and Bosque Clean-Up Ideas for Route 66 Centennial, March 21, 2026 – Vice Chair Baugh
- l. Report on the NM Water Trust Exploratory Committee Meeting, March 27, 2026 – Director Russo Baca
- m. Report on the Primera Agua Celebration, March 29, 2026 – Chair Kelly, Vice Chair Baugh, Directors Dunning and Russo Baca
- n. Report on Irrigation Committee Meeting, March 30, 2026 – Directors Jiron, Lopez, and Sandoval
- o. Report on the 2026 New Mexico Spring Wetlands Roundtable, April 1, 2026 – Director Russo Baca
- p. Report on the SVRAA Comisionados Meeting, April 6, 2026 – Director Russo Baca
- q. Report on the 5th Annual Acequia and Land Grand Education (ALGE) Project, April 8, 2026 – Vice Chair Baugh and Director Russo Baca
- r. Report on Speech at Polk Middle School with Senator Martin Heinrich, April 9, 2026 – Vice Chair Baugh

6:45 **16. Executive Session**

- a. NMSA 1978 Open Meetings Act, Section 10-15-1(H)
 - 1. Limited Personnel Matters
- b. NMSA 1978 Open Meetings Act, Section 10-15-1(H)7
 - 1. Threatened or Pending Litigation



MEMORANDUM

To: Chairman Kelly, Board of Directors
Through: Jason M. Casuga, CEO/Chief Engineer
From: Tarah Jaramillo, Executive Assistant
Date: April 13, 2026
Re: Consideration/Approval of the Consent Agenda.

The Consent Agenda includes the MRGCD check book for the month, both legal counsel's invoices, the minutes from the Board of Directors special and regular meeting, and for your information, a list of the approved MRGCD licenses for March.

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Staff Recommendation is to approve the above items within the Consent Agenda.

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Warrant	Vendor Name	Amount	Description	Location
EFT	NEW MEXICO TAXATION & REVENUE DEPARTMENT	23,976.56	FEBRUARY 2026 WITHHOLDING TAX	
EFT	PAYROLL	353,640.03	PAY PERIOD 05	
EFT	PERA	135,950.71	PAY PERIOD 05	
EFT	IRS	48,310.29	PAY PERIOD 05	
EFT	VOYA DEFERRED COMP	8,863.49	PAY PERIOD 05	
EFT	PAYROLL	375,295.18	PAY PERIOD 06	
EFT	PERA	136,239.94	PAY PERIOD 06	
EFT	IRS	53,080.58	PAY PERIOD 06	
EFT	VOYA DEFERRED COMP	8,764.49	PAY PERIOD 06	
TOTAL PAYROLL		1,144,121.27		
157502	THE ARTINA GROUP, INC.	(371.49)	VOIDED CHECK DATED 02.20.26	
157598	DESERT GREENS EQUIPMENT	(3,496.65)	VOIDED CHECK DATED 02.27.26	
157756	STATE OF NM	(22.84)	VOIDED CHECK DATED 02.27.26	
Checks				
157621	AFSCME COUNCIL 18	2,279.04	PAYROLL UNION DUES	GENERAL FUND
157622	BCBS	10,979.10	DENTAL INSURANCE	GENERAL FUND
157623	BOHANNAN HUSTON	21,794.31	BELEN HIGHLINE CONSTRUCTION ADMIN	BELEN DIVISION
		2,598.14	BELEN HIGHLINE CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT	BELEN DIVISION
		3,791.30	BELEN HIGHLINE OVERFLOW DESIGN	BELEN DIVISION
157624	CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT	1,175.26	PAYROLL GARNISHMENTS	GENERAL FUND
157625	CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE	196,250.04	HEALTH INSURANCE	GENERAL FUND
157626	CITY OF SOCORRO	635.60	NATURAL GAS	SOCORRO DIVISION
		241.26	WATER/SEWER/REFUSE	SOCORRO DIVISION
157627	COMCAST CABLE COMM.	1,020.08	VOIP/INTERNET	INFORMATION SYSTEMS
157628	COMPASS ENGINEERING	339,101.54	CORRALES SIPHON PROJECT	GRANTS FUND
157629	DESERT GARDENS	60,000.00	PAJARITO ACEQUIA OPEN SPACE	GRANTS FUND
157630	HM LIFE INSURANCE	1,445.69	VISION BENEFITS	GENERAL FUND
157631	INSCCU	472.00	PAYROLL GARNISHMENTS	GENERAL FUND
157632	LOPEZ PRECISION, LLC	592,477.51	BELEN HIGHLINE STRUCTURE PROJECT	BELEN DIVISION
157633	NEW MEXICO MUTUAL	16,380.81	WORKERS COMP	GENERAL FUND
157634	SOCORRO ELECTRIC	477.41	ELECTRICITY	SOCORRO DIVISION
		681.11	PUMP ELECTRICITY	SOCORRO DIVISION
157635	TX CHILD SUPPORT SDU	260.31	PAYROLL GARNISHMENTS	GENERAL FUND
157636	UNUM LIFE INSURANCE	1,842.65	LIFE/DISABILITY INS	GENERAL FUND
157637	VALENCIA COUNTY CLER	25.00	RELEASE OF LIEN	ACCOUNTING
157638	WILSON & COMPANY	32,065.64	LOW FLOW CHANNEL CROSSING DESIGN	GRANTS FUND
157639	4 RIVERS EQUIPMENT	7,500.00	EXCAVATOR RENTAL	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		5,000.00	EXCAVATOR RENTAL	BELEN DIVISION
		295.09	PARTS & REPAIRS	SOCORRO DIVISION
157640	ABCWUA	867.64	WATER/SEWER/REFUSE	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		359.84	WATER/SEWER/REFUSE	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
		716.05	WATER/SEWER/REFUSE	GENERAL OFFICE
157641	ACOSTA EQUIPMENT INC	36.99	SHOP/WELD SUPPLIES	SOCORRO DIVISION
157642	ACTION HOSE INC.	218.94	PARTS & REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
157643	ALBUQUERQUE FREIGHT	194.06	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
157644	ALBUQUERQUE PUB	288.15	BOARD MEETING PUBLICATIONS	BOARD OF DIRECTORS
		85.77	LEGAL AD	PURCHASING
157645	AMAZON CAPITAL	1,518.87	COMPUTER/PRINTER SUPPLIES	INFORMATION SYSTEMS
		209.97	SAFETY SUPPLIES	SAFETY DEPARTMENT
157646	ANCHORBUILT INC.	36,092.04	ALGAA PHASE 2	GRANTS FUND
157647	ANM, INC.	4,202.59	COMPUTER/PRINTER SUPPLIES	INFORMATION SYSTEMS
157648	AWARDS ETC. LLC	130.00	RETIREMENT PLAQUES	HUMAN RESOURCES
157649	BAKER UTILITY SUPPLY	7,664.00	BLACK PIPE	INVENTORY
157650	BARNHILL BOLT CO	39.87	SHOP/WELD SUPPLIES	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
157651	BOWMAN HANDLES INC.	2,285.34	MANURE HOOKS	INVENTORY
157652	BUDGET TRANSMISSION	5,400.00	R&R TRANSMISSION - 2022 FORD F150 #80026	WATER DISTRIBUTION
157653	BUSTED STEM	322.88	TIRE REPLACEMENT/REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
157654	C.C.S CONSULTING LLC	284.13	PHYSICALS	HUMAN RESOURCES
157655	CARR, RIGGS & INGRAM	8,297.46	AUDITING SERVICES	ACCOUNTING
157656	CENTURY EQUIPMENT	62.50	FREIGHT	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		62.50	FREIGHT	BELEN DIVISION

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		136.54	PARTS & REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		1,863.45	PARTS & REPAIRS- 2018 JOHN DEERE TRACTOR	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		3,516.12	PARTS & REPAIRS- 2019 JOHN DEER TRACTOR	BELEN DIVISION
157657	CHOICE STEEL COMPANY	1,170.00	REBAR	INVENTORY
157658	CINTAS FIRST AID	55.00	WATER COOLER RENTAL	BELEN DIVISION
		45.00	WATER COOLER RENTAL	COCHITI DIVISION
		45.00	WATER COOLER RENTAL	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
		45.00	WATER COOLER RENTAL	SOCORRO DIVISION
157659	CIRCLED WAGONS	151.02	PHOTOS FOR LOBBY & WEBSITE	BOARD OF DIRECTORS
		151.03	PHOTOS FOR LOBBY & WEBSITE	EXEC TEAM
157660	CITY OF BELEN	1,077.28	WATER/SEWER/REFUSE	BELEN DIVISION
157661	CONSERVANCY OIL CO	3,405.60	DEF	INVENTORY
157662	CONTINENTAL BATTERY	212.81	BATTERIES	BELEN DIVISION
157663	CROSS COUNTRY VANS	377.70	FLUIDS/FILTERS	BELEN DIVISION
157664	DESERT GREENS EQUIPMENT	55.00	FREIGHT	BELEN DIVISION
		394.99	PARTS & REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		1,314.84	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
		609.28	PARTS & REPAIRS	SOCORRO DIVISION
157665	FINANCE AUTHORITY	59,644.16	DEBT SERVICE EQUIPMENT	DEBT SERVICE
157666	FIRST CHOICE COFFEE	187.85	OFFICE SUPPLIES	GENERAL OFFICE
157667	FRANK'S SUPPLY CO	369.00	GREASE GUN	BELEN DIVISION
		137.00	SHOP/WELD TOOLS	BELEN DIVISION
157668	GENSLER, DAVID	779.23	RETIREE HEALTH INS PREMIUMS	HUMAN RESOURCES
157669	GENUINE NAPA	1,443.20	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
		10.22	SHOP/WELD SUPPLIES	BELEN DIVISION
157670	GEOTEL CORPORATION	87.36	ANNUAL PRESS CLIPPING SERVICE	ADMINISTRATION
157671	GONZALEZ, JOSE A	136.00	RODENT MANAGEMENT	BELEN DIVISION
157672	GRAINGER	160.54	HYDROLOGY SUPPLIES	WATER OPERATIONS
157673	GRAYBAR	50.00	FREIGHT	WATER OPERATIONS
		288.30	HYDROLOGY SUPPLIES	WATER OPERATIONS
157674	INLAND KENWORTH INC.	154.18	PARTS & REPAIRS	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
157675	IRSC	186.45	FREIGHT	BELEN DIVISION
		1,325.00	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
157676	JIFFY LUBE	118.92	FLUIDS/FILTERS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
157677	JIVE COMMUNICATIONS,	2,596.31	VOIP/INTERNET	GENERAL OFFICE
157678	LINDE GAS	193.17	SHOP/WELD SUPPLIES	COCHITI DIVISION
157679	MAINTENANCE SERVICE	414.10	JANITORIAL SERVICE	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		2,036.03	JANITORIAL SERVICE	GENERAL OFFICE
157680	MCT INDUSTRIES, INC.	360.67	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
157681	MIDSTATE ELECTRIC	1,054.11	BATHROOM REPAIRS	SOCORRO DIVISION
157682	NAPA AUTO PARTS	110.68	PARTS & REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		43.96	SAFETY SUPPLIES	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
		35.96	SHOP/WELD SUPPLIES	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
		86.76	SHOP/WELD TOOLS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		98.03	SHOP/WELD TOOLS	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
157683	NEW MEXICO GAS CO	164.29	NATURAL GAS	COCHITI DIVISION
157684	NEW MEXICO TRACTOR S	3,306.42	JD FILTERS	INVENTORY
157685	O'REILLY AUTO PARTS	23.98	FLUIDS/FILTERS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		44.75	PARTS & REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		16.35	SHOP/WELD TOOLS	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
157686	OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH	261.54	PHYSICALS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		1,251.73	PHYSICALS	BELEN DIVISION
		163.60	PHYSICALS	SOCORRO DIVISION
157687	PACIFIC OFFICE AUTO	232.36	COPIER LEASE FY26	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		143.84	COPIER LEASE FY26	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
		730.25	COPIER LEASE FY26	GENERAL OFFICE
157688	PARTS AUTHORITY	2,997.44	BALDWIN FILTERS	INVENTORY
157689	PENA BLANCA SANIT	99.59	WATER/SEWER/REFUSE	COCHITI DIVISION
157690	PNM	536.87	ELECTRICITY	BELEN DIVISION
157691	POWER EQUIPMENT	1,673.90	VOLVO FILTERS	INVENTORY
157692	RED SHOVEL LLC	843.63	LANDSCAPE MONTHLY MAINTENANCE	GENERAL OFFICE
157693	ROSALES, MARIO R	1,600.00	RODENT MANAGEMENT	SOCORRO DIVISION
157694	SANDOVAL COUNTY LAND	17.93	LANDFILL	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
157695	SELECT PROPERTIES	2,070.91	LAND PURCHASE LUX PROPERTY FEEDER 3	RIGHT OF WAY DEPARTMENT
157696	SNELLING	743.95	TEMP STAFFING	RIGHT OF WAY DEPARTMENT
157697	SOUTHERN TIRE MART	1,068.07	TIRE REPLACEMENT/REPAIRS	RIGHT OF WAY DEPARTMENT

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157698	SOUTHWEST CONSTRUCTION	47.20	PARTS & REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		377.82	PARTS & REPAIRS	SOCORRO DIVISION
157699	SOUTHWEST LANDFILL	484.25	LANDFILL	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		3,647.98	LANDFILL	BELEN DIVISION
157700	STAPLES ADVANTAGE	188.11	COMPUTER/PRINTER SUPPLIES	ACCOUNTING
157701	TAS SECURITY SYSTEMS	40.24	SECURITY SERVICES	BELEN DIVISION
157702	TECHNOLOGY INTEGRATION	2,245.83	DATTO CLOUD	GENERAL OFFICE
157703	TYLER TECHNOLOGIES	667.28	TIME & ATTENDANCE IMPLEMENTATION	HUMAN RESOURCES
157704	UNICOR	270.48	SHRED BINS PICKUP	ACCOUNTING
157705	UNIFIRST CORP	346.88	MECHANIC UNIFORMS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		744.54	MECHANIC UNIFORMS	BELEN DIVISION
		100.30	MECHANIC UNIFORMS	COCHITI DIVISION
		458.88	MECHANIC UNIFORMS	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
		68.40	MECHANIC UNIFORMS	SOCORRO DIVISION
157706	VERIZON CONNECT	5,354.88	GPS MONTHLY SERVICE	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
157707	WAGNER EQUIPMENT CO.	93.34	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
		113.64	PARTS & REPAIRS	SOCORRO DIVISION
157708	WASTE MANAGEMENT	315.87	WATER/SEWER/REFUSE	COCHITI DIVISION
157709	WEX BANK	69,810.63	FEB. UNLEADED \$16,988 DIESEL \$53,237 REBATE \$(414)	MULTIPLE DEPTS/DIVISIONS
157710	WIPER SUPPLY INC	1,197.52	SHOP TOWELS	INVENTORY
157711	AUI INC	860,289.45	FEEDER 3 PROJECT	GRANTS FUND
157712	GALLOPING GOAT	7,357.12	BIG HOLE BURN SCAR	GRANTS FUND
157713	HOME DEPOT CREDIT	158.27	BOSQUE SUPPLIES	CONSERVATION/PLANNING
		80.91	CONCRETE/SHOTCRETE	COCHITI DIVISION
		189.85	CONSTRUCTION SUPPLIES	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		962.59	CONSTRUCTION SUPPLIES	BELEN DIVISION
		85.40	GATES & FENCING	COCHITI DIVISION
		266.22	HAMMER DRILL	BELEN DIVISION
		53.69	JANITORIAL SUPPLIES	COCHITI DIVISION
		266.88	MISC. PARTS/SUPPLIES	INVENTORY
		52.84	SECURITY SERVICES	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		239.94	SHOP/WELD SUPPLIES	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		25.00	SHOP/WELD SUPPLIES	BELEN DIVISION
		450.78	SHOP/WELD TOOLS	BELEN DIVISION
157714	PNM	23.19	ELECTRICITY	BELEN DIVISION
		422.72	ELECTRICITY	COCHITI DIVISION
157715	SPENCER FANE LLP	7,214.05	LEGAL SERVICES	GENERAL FUND
157716	VALENCIA COUNTY CLER	25.00	RELEASE OF LIEN	ACCOUNTING
157717	WIGGINS, WILLIAMS	13,958.97	LEGAL SERVICES	GENERAL FUND
157718	WILSON & COMPANY	100,276.37	CORRALES CONSTRUCTION ADMINISTRATION	GRANTS FUND
157719	4 RIVERS EQUIPMENT	463.00	PARTS & REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		45.87	PARTS & REPAIRS	COCHITI DIVISION
		31.63	PARTS & REPAIRS	SOCORRO DIVISION
157720	ACTION ALIGNMENT INC.	80.84	PARTS & REPAIRS	COCHITI DIVISION
157721	ACTION HOSE INC.	22.26	FREIGHT	SOCORRO DIVISION
		284.72	PARTS & REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		40.28	PARTS & REPAIRS	SOCORRO DIVISION
		74.95	SHOP/WELD SUPPLIES	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
	ALBUQUERQUE PUB	101.31	BOARD MEETING PUBLICATIONS	BOARD OF DIRECTORS
157723	ALBUQUERQUE FREIGHT	184.74	PARTS & REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		204.82	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
157725	ALLSTATE HYDRAULICS	1,471.58	PARTS & REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		3,973.54	PARTS & REPAIRS	SOCORRO DIVISION
157726	AMAZON CAPITAL	245.92	COMPUTER/PRINTER SUPPLIES	INFORMATION SYSTEMS
157727	ATMAX EQUIPMENT CO	62.38	FREIGHT	SOCORRO DIVISION
		394.10	PARTS & REPAIRS	SOCORRO DIVISION
157728	BENAVIDEZ, CAROL	246.48	RETIREE HEALTH INS PREMIUMS	HUMAN RESOURCES
157729	BOOT BARN	169.95	BOOT VOUCHER	BELEN DIVISION
		144.49	BOOT VOUCHER	WATER DISTRIBUTION
157730	BUSTED STEM	161.44	TIRE REPLACEMENT/REPAIRS	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
157731	C&E CONCRETE INC	1,900.00	CONCRETE/SHOTCRETE	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		4,991.00	CONCRETE/SHOTCRETE	COCHITI DIVISION
157732	CENTURY EQUIPMENT	76.52	FREIGHT	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		60.00	FREIGHT	BELEN DIVISION
		449.87	PARTS & REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		348.04	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION

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157733	CENTURY LINK	98.26	VOIP/INTERNET	BELEN DIVISION
157734	CONCRETE SYSTEMS INC	145.94	CONSTRUCTION SUPPLIES	COCHITI DIVISION
157735	CONTINENTAL BATTERY	130.90	BATTERIES	COCHITI DIVISION
		2,075.52	BATTERIES	INVENTORY
157736	D.R.B. ELECTRIC, INC	8,811.10	INSTALL NEW ELECTRICAL PANEL SERVER ROOM	GENERAL OFFICE
		460.43	SERVICE CALL	GENERAL OFFICE
157737	DESERT GREENS EQUIPMENT	55.00	FREIGHT	SOCORRO DIVISION
		1,361.57	PARTS & REPAIRS	SOCORRO DIVISION
157738	DMC LOGISTICS	341.51	DELIVERY BOARD MEETING PACKETS	BOARD OF DIRECTORS
157739	FEDEX	15.25	POSTAGE	GENERAL OFFICE
157740	FIVE J'S AUTO PARTS	200.00	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
157741	FLEETPRIDE	1,867.92	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
157742	GENERAL MAILING SYS	414.00	OFFICE SUPPLIES	GENERAL OFFICE
157743	GENUINE NAPA	313.68	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
		41.99	PARTS & REPAIRS	WATER DISTRIBUTION
157744	GOMEZ, RAY	2,624.49	RETIREE HEALTH INS PREMIUMS	HUMAN RESOURCES
157745	GPS, LLC	101.77	TIRE REPLACEMENT/REPAIRS	SOCORRO DIVISION
157746	HACIENDA HOME CENTER	2,165.26	GROUT	INVENTORY
157747	HEIGHTS SECURITY	394.85	BOSQUE KEYS	BELEN DIVISION
		66.60	BOSQUE KEYS	COCHITI DIVISION
		3,311.91	BOSQUE KEYS	INVENTORY
157748	HERRING, LAT	200.00	RODENT MANAGEMENT	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
157749	HUNTER BOWER LUMBER	1,286.25	LUMBER	INVENTORY
157750	IDEAL PLUMBING	376.69	SERVICE CALL	GENERAL OFFICE
157751	IRON HORSE WELDING	31,200.00	REAR AXLE/DIFFERENTIAL - '14 JD MOTOR GRADER	SOCORRO DIVISION
157752	IRSC	890.58	PARTS & REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
157753	JIFFY LUBE	94.59	FLUIDS/FILTERS	EXEC TEAM
157754	JOSE M. AGUILAR J.A	246.81	TIRE REPLACEMENT/REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
157755	KRONOS SAASHR, INC.	1,447.93	PAYROLL & TIME KEEPING	HUMAN RESOURCES
157756	LINDE GAS	130.91	SHOP/WELD SUPPLIES	COCHITI DIVISION
157757	LUNDMARK, MICHAEL	244.00	RODENT MANAGEMENT	BELEN DIVISION
157758	MORA, RUBEN	1,043.20	RETIREE HEALTH INS PREMIUMS	HUMAN RESOURCES
157759	NAPA AUTO PARTS	28.18	PARTS & REPAIRS	COCHITI DIVISION
		349.99	SHOP/WELD SUPPLIES	SOCORRO DIVISION
157760	NED'S PIPE & STEEL	757.50	CONSTRUCTION SUPPLIES	BELEN DIVISION
157761	NEW MEXICO TRACTOR S	6,624.47	MOWER BLADES	INVENTORY
157762	POLING, JAMES	498.75	RETIREE HEALTH INS PREMIUMS	HUMAN RESOURCES
157763	POWER EQUIPMENT	30.00	FREIGHT	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		1,834.56	PARTS & REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
157764	PREVENTIVE PEST	117.53	PEST CONTROL	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
157765	PURCELL TIRE COMPANY	297.77	TIRE REPLACEMENT/REPAIRS	COCHITI DIVISION
		1,256.64	TIRE REPLACEMENT/REPAIRS	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
157766	QUADIENT, INC.	452.65	POSTAGE	GENERAL OFFICE
157767	RAIN FOR RENT	39,926.80	CORRALES PUMP RENTAL	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
157768	RELEVANT INDUSTRIAL	69.66	PARTS & REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
157769	RICH FORD SALES	3,795.40	PARTS & REPAIRS	SOCORRO DIVISION
157770	ROBERTS TRUCK CENTER	1,056.21	PARTS & REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		(43.20)	PARTS & REPAIRS INVOICE CREDIT	SOCORRO DIVISION
157771	SAFETY FLARE INC	570.83	FIRE EXTINGUISHER MAINT.	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		454.55	FIRE EXTINGUISHER MAINT.	BELEN DIVISION
		247.63	FIRE EXTINGUISHER MAINT.	COCHITI DIVISION
		561.64	FIRE EXTINGUISHER MAINT.	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
		1,061.27	FIRE EXTINGUISHER MAINT.	GENERAL OFFICE
		450.95	FIRE EXTINGUISHER MAINT.	SOCORRO DIVISION
157772	ALBUQUERQUE BOLT	24.30	PARTS & REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
	SAN ACACIA MDWCA	21.52	WATER/SEWER/REFUSE	SOCORRO DIVISION
157773	SNELLING	1,995.95	TEMP STAFFING	RIGHT OF WAY DEPARTMENT
157774	SOUTHERN TIRE MART	376.53	TIRE REPLACEMENT/REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		693.46	TIRE REPLACEMENT/REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
157775	STAPLES ADVANTAGE	81.00	OFFICE SUPPLIES	GENERAL OFFICE
157776	T & T TRAILER SERVICE	138.00	SHOP/WELD SUPPLIES	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
157777	TABET LUMBER	24.95	SHOP/WELD SUPPLIES	BELEN DIVISION
157778	TAS SECURITY SYSTEMS	107.57	ALARM SOFTWARE INSTALL	INFORMATION SYSTEMS
157779	TECHNOLOGY INTEGRATION	951.84	DATTO SAAS	INFORMATION SYSTEMS
157780	THOMPSON SAFETY LLC	1,860.00	FIRST AID KITS	INVENTORY
157781	TRANSCRIPTION	570.63	BOARD MINUTES & TRANSCRIPTIONS	BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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157782	TRUEPOINT SOLUTIONS	21,218.00	TRUEPOINT SOLUTIONS ANNUAL RENEWAL	ACCOUNTING
157783	WAGNER EQUIPMENT CO.	4,362.45	DUMP TRUCK RENTAL	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
157784	AFSCME COUNCIL 18	2,279.04	PAYROLL UNION DUES	GENERAL FUND
157785	AVALOS, JULIAN	64.52	SHOP/WELD SUPPLIES	SOCORRO DIVISION
157786	BOHANNAN HUSTON	5,288.08	ACEQUIA MADRE CM	GRANTS FUND
157787	BOHANNAN HUSTON	3,540.86	LORETTA RD / ALAMEDA INTERSECTION CA	GRANTS FUND
157788	CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT	1,372.71	PAYROLL GARNISHMENTS	GENERAL FUND
157789	DELOIA, RICHARD	208.00	NM PUBLIC PROCUREMENT ASSOC.	PURCHASING
157790	INSCCU	472.00	PAYROLL GARNISHMENTS	GENERAL FUND
157791	LOPEZ PRECISION, LLC	213,757.24	ATRISCO ACEQUIA PROJECT PHASE 1	GRANTS FUND
157792	PNM	765.81	ELECTRICITY	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		78.63	ELECTRICITY	BELEN DIVISION
		253.00	ELECTRICITY	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
		1,061.88	ELECTRICITY	GENERAL OFFICE
157793	SOCORRO ELECTRIC	144.71	ELECTRICITY	SOCORRO DIVISION
157794	TX CHILD SUPPORT SDU	260.31	PAYROLL GARNISHMENTS	GENERAL FUND
157795	UNIVERSITY OF NM	25,394.00	SPONSORED RESEARCH AGREEMENT	CONSERVATION/PLANNING
157796	VARELA, RICARDO	208.00	NM PUBLIC PROCUREMENT ASSOC.	PURCHASING
157797	4 RIVERS EQUIPMENT	474.87	PARTS & REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		352.13	PARTS & REPAIRS	SOCORRO DIVISION
157798	ALBUQUERQUE BOLT	15.00	SHOP/WELD SUPPLIES	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
157799	ALBUQUERQUE PUB	82.11	LEGAL AD	PURCHASING
157800	ALLSTATE HYDRAULICS	675.00	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
157801	AMAZON CAPITAL	679.96	COMPUTER/PRINTER SUPPLIES	WATER DISTRIBUTION
		2,068.99	LAPTOP AND PC	INFORMATION SYSTEMS
		68.91	OFFICE SUPPLIES	GENERAL OFFICE
		29.88	OFFICE SUPPLIES	INFORMATION SYSTEMS
		14.99	SAFETY SUPPLIES	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		14.99	SAFETY SUPPLIES	BELEN DIVISION
		14.99	SAFETY SUPPLIES	COCHITI DIVISION
		14.99	SAFETY SUPPLIES	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
		14.99	SAFETY SUPPLIES	GENERAL OFFICE
		14.99	SAFETY SUPPLIES	SOCORRO DIVISION
157802	AMERIGAS PROPANE	121.88	VEGETATION CONTROL	COCHITI DIVISION
157803	ATWOOD, CHANCE	320.00	RODENT MANAGEMENT	SOCORRO DIVISION
157804	BOOT BARN	194.69	BOOT VOUCHER	BELEN DIVISION
157805	BUSTED STEM	324.58	TIRE REPLACEMENT/REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
157806	C&E CONCRETE INC	2,296.00	CONCRETE/SHOTCRETE	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
157807	CBI, INC.	102.50	BASIN STUDY	GRANTS FUND
157808	CENTURY EQUIPMENT	255.00	FREIGHT	BELEN DIVISION
		1,702.16	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
157809	CONSTRUCTION RENTAL	1,495.76	STIHL ITEMS	INVENTORY
157810	CONTINENTAL BATTERY	72.93	BATTERIES	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		166.06	BATTERIES	BELEN DIVISION
157811	CRAIG INDEPENDENT	216.79	TIRE REPLACEMENT/REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
157812	ENVIROWORKS LLC	2,300.00	LICENSE DEPOSIT REFUND	GENERAL FUND
157813	FORESTRY SUPPLIES	780.34	SAFETY SUPPLIES	SAFETY DEPARTMENT
157814	GENUINE NAPA	55.05	SAFETY SUPPLIES	BELEN DIVISION
		117.30	SHOP/WELD SUPPLIES	BELEN DIVISION
157815	GEOTECH ENVIRONMENTAL	4,630.70	TRANSDUCERS	INVENTORY
157816	HACIENDA HOME CENTER	2,171.02	NP1	INVENTORY
157817	HOTSY EQUIPMENT CO.	455.76	PARTS & REPAIRS	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
157818	IMSCO DIVISION	5,580.14	CABLE	INVENTORY
157819	JIFFY LUBE	196.13	FLUIDS/FILTERS	WATER DISTRIBUTION
157820	JOSE M. AGUILAR J.A	214.45	TIRE REPLACEMENT/REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
157821	LEVEL 3 FINANCING IN	263.87	VOIP/INTERNET	BELEN DIVISION
		2,606.65	VOIP/INTERNET	INFORMATION SYSTEMS
		263.87	VOIP/INTERNET	SOCORRO DIVISION
157822	MAC HYDRAULIC & LUBRICATION	1,041.34	PARTS & REPAIRS	COCHITI DIVISION
157823	MCSWEENEY, JUDITH	166.34	RETIREE HEALTH INS PREMIUMS	HUMAN RESOURCES
157824	NAJMI, YASMEEN	548.44	RETIREE HEALTH INS PREMIUMS	HUMAN RESOURCES
157825	NAPA AUTO PARTS	57.87	PARTS & REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		14.05	SHOP/WELD SUPPLIES	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
		17.49	SHOP/WELD TOOLS	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
157826	NEW MEXICO GAS CO	80.43	NATURAL GAS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		220.96	NATURAL GAS	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS

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		121.62	NATURAL GAS	GENERAL OFFICE
157827	NM UNDERGROUND	2,300.00	LICENSE DEPOSIT REFUND	GENERAL FUND
157828	O'REILLY AUTO PARTS	39.45	SHOP/WELD SUPPLIES	SOCORRO DIVISION
157829	OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH	232.48	PHYSICALS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		116.24	PHYSICALS	BELEN DIVISION
		262.62	PHYSICALS	COCHITI DIVISION
		261.54	PHYSICALS	CONSERVATION/PLANNING
		81.80	PHYSICALS	SOCORRO DIVISION
157830	POWER EQUIPMENT	75.88	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
157831	PURCELL TIRE COMPANY	37.45	TIRE REPLACEMENT/REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		238.31	TIRE REPLACEMENT/REPAIRS	WATER DISTRIBUTION
157832	RAKS BUILDING SUPPLY	19.28	HYDROLOGY SUPPLIES	WATER OPERATIONS
		158.95	SHOP/WELD SUPPLIES	SOCORRO DIVISION
157833	RANCHERO BUILDERS	69.95	CONSTRUCTION SUPPLIES	BELEN DIVISION
157834	SOPYN, GREG	1,012.00	RODENT MANAGEMENT	BELEN DIVISION
157835	SOUTHWEST CONSTRUCTION	250.00	FREIGHT	SOCORRO DIVISION
		45.10	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
		1,639.84	PARTS & REPAIRS	SOCORRO DIVISION
157836	STAPLES ADVANTAGE	20.96	OFFICE SUPPLIES	GENERAL OFFICE
		30.83	OFFICE SUPPLIES	HUMAN RESOURCES
157837	THE PRINTERS PRESS	1,456.00	BOSQUE PERMITS 2026 - 2027	GENERAL OFFICE
157838	WAGNER EQUIPMENT CO.	51.02	FLUIDS/FILTERS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
157839	WAGNER EQUIPMENT CO.	748.44	CAT FILTERS	INVENTORY
157840	ALPHA SOUTHWEST	8,652.93	SOCORRO MAIN CANAL BOOSTER STATION MAINT	WATER DISTRIBUTION
157841	BOHANNAN HUSTON	6,448.70	TASK ORDER 16 SAN ACACIA	ENGINEERING
157842	MRGCD PETTY CASH	19.53	GASOLINE FOR A. MARKEN	WATER OPERATIONS
157843	OTERO, TYLER	118.72	HOTEL REIMBURSEMENT -FIRE	BELEN DIVISION
157844	PNM	157.96	ELECTRICITY	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
157845	RAKS BUILDING SUPPLY	127.50	SWAMP COOLER PARTS	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
157846	RAMOS, ANTOINETTE	1,847.71	TUITION REIMBURSEMENT A. RAMOS	ENGINEERING
157847	4 RIVERS EQUIPMENT	44.58	FREIGHT	BELEN DIVISION
		1,522.53	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
157848	4 RIVERS EQUIPMENT	44.61	FLUIDS/FILTERS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		5,600.48	HYDRAULIC PUMP ASSEMBLY '18 JD BACKHOE	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		1,048.89	PARTS & REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		10.40	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
157849	ACTION HOSE INC.	115.90	PARTS & REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		19.00	PARTS & REPAIRS	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
		86.42	SHOP/WELD TOOLS	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
157850	ALLSTATE HYDRAULICS	1,689.95	PARTS & REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
157851	ATMAX EQUIPMENT CO	56.07	FREIGHT	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		299.52	PARTS & REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
157852	BAKER UTILITY SUPPLY	4,508.00	BLACK PIPE	INVENTORY
157853	CENTURY EQUIPMENT	155.00	FREIGHT	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		4,209.18	PARTS & REPAIRS '17 JD TRACTOR/MOWER	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		28.50	SHOP/WELD SUPPLIES	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
157854	CENTURY EQUIPMENT	49.87	FREIGHT	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		1,607.43	PARTS & REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
157855	CONTINENTAL BATTERY	163.82	BATTERIES	BELEN DIVISION
		83.03	BATTERIES	COCHITI DIVISION
		72.93	BATTERIES	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
157856	CROSS COUNTRY VANS	13.72	VEGETATION CONTROL	BELEN DIVISION
157857	DESERT GREENS EQUIPMENT	180.40	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
157858	DIESEL LAPTOPS, LLC	4,700.00	UPGRADED SCANNER SYSTEM	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
157859	DOUBLE H AUTO INC.	100.20	PARTS & REPAIRS	SOCORRO DIVISION
157860	ESTRADA, MARTIN	740.00	RODENT MANAGEMENT	SOCORRO DIVISION
157861	FIRST CHOICE COFFEE	356.94	OFFICE SUPPLIES	GENERAL OFFICE
157862	GENUINE NAPA	694.54	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
		35.98	SHOP/WELD SUPPLIES	BELEN DIVISION
		28.99	SHOP/WELD TOOLS	BELEN DIVISION
157863	GOVERNMENT PORTFOLIO	1,127.55	INVESTMENT SERVICE	ACCOUNTING
157864	GPS, LLC	126.92	FLUIDS/FILTERS	SOCORRO DIVISION
		281.67	TIRE REPLACEMENT/REPAIRS	SOCORRO DIVISION
157865	HIGH DESERT INDUSTRI	49.50	SHOP/WELD SUPPLIES	BELEN DIVISION
157866	HUNTER BOWER LUMBER	2,940.80	LUMBER	INVENTORY
157867	HYDRA AQUATIC, INC	32,925.80	MITIGATION PROJECT-MOA SUNZIA	CONSERVATION/PLANNING

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157868	INLAND KENWORTH INC.	31.85	FLUIDS/FILTERS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		334.78	PARTS & REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
157869	JIFFY LUBE	51.35	FLUIDS/FILTERS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		75.67	FLUIDS/FILTERS	WATER OPERATIONS
157870	JPR DECORATIVE	974.81	ROCK/GRAVEL/BASE MATERIAL	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
157871	LINDE GAS	60.40	SHOP/WELD TOOLS	COCHITI DIVISION
157872	MCT INDUSTRIES, INC.	202.50	PARTS & REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		194.18	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
157873	NAPA AUTO PARTS	272.98	PARTS & REPAIRS	RIGHT OF WAY DEPARTMENT
157874	NAPA AUTO PARTS	40.64	FLUIDS/FILTERS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		(185.05)	PARTS & REPAIRS INVOICE CREDIT	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		147.21	PARTS & REPAIRS	RIGHT OF WAY DEPARTMENT
		56.96	SHOP/WELD TOOLS	BELEN DIVISION
157875	NED'S PIPE & STEEL	23.50	CONSTRUCTION SUPPLIES	BELEN DIVISION
		170.00	SHOP/WELD SUPPLIES	BELEN DIVISION
157876	NEW MEXICO TRACTOR S	61.17	FLUIDS/FILTERS	BELEN DIVISION
		3,471.76	PARTS & REPAIRS '11 JD TRACTOR/MOWER	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
157877	PERFORMANCE PLUS INC	1,663.04	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
157878	POWER EQUIPMENT	1,064.84	FREIGHT	BELEN DIVISION
157879	PRINT EXPRESS	51.00	BUSINESS CARDS	HUMAN RESOURCES
157880	PURCELL TIRE COMPANY	2,633.40	TIRE REPLACEMENT/REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		108.65	TIRE REPLACEMENT/REPAIRS	COCHITI DIVISION
157881	PURCELL TIRE COMPANY	26.75	TIRE REPLACEMENT/REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
157882	RANCHERO BUILDERS	14.98	CONSTRUCTION SUPPLIES	BELEN DIVISION
157883	ROBERTS TRUCK CENTER	2,748.45	PARTS & REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
157884	SAFETY-KLEEN CORP.	474.74	SHOP/WELD SUPPLIES	SOCORRO DIVISION
157885	SECURITY SOURCE	395.00	DOOR REPAIR	GENERAL OFFICE
157886	SPECIALTY COMMUNICATIONS	177.58	MONTHLY RADIO REPEATER	WATER OPERATIONS
157887	TERRALOGIC DOCUMENT	6,376.78	LASERFICHE CLOUD ANNUAL RENEWAL	INFORMATION SYSTEMS
157888	TYLER TECHNOLOGIES	667.28	TIME & ATTENDANCE IMPLEMENTATION	HUMAN RESOURCES
157889	VERIZON WIRELESS	8,150.52	WIRELESS SERVICE	ALL DEPTS/DIVISIONS
157890	WAGNER EQUIPMENT CO.	75.87	PARTS & REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
157891	WATER STRATEGIES	10,000.00	FEDERAL CONSULTING	GENERAL FUND
157892	WILLIAMS WINDMILL	21.67	SHOP/WELD SUPPLIES	SOCORRO DIVISION
*157960	CF PADILLA, LLC	762,750.00	LFCC PHASE II	GRANTS FUND
	*expense recorded in March, check dated 04.03.26			
Credit Card Payment				
900081	WELLS FARGO BANK	50.00	2026 LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP DEPOSIT	EXEC TEAM
		1,303.00	2026 LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP MEALS	EXEC TEAM
		110.00	AGA MEMBERSHIP - J. ROGERS	ACCOUNTING
		388.90	AIRFARE 2026 ESRI USER CONFERENCE - A. HANS	GIS/MAPPING
		455.80	AIRFARE 2026 ESRI USER CONFERENCE - J. DAGGETT	GIS/MAPPING
		439.81	AIRFARE 2026 ESRI USER CONFERENCE - M. GEORGINA	GIS/MAPPING
		825.60	AIRFARE GFOA CONFERENCE - P. FANELLI	EXEC TEAM
		727.80	AIRFARE NWRA CONFERENCE - C. BAUGH	BOARD OF DIRECTORS
		727.80	AIRFARE NWRA CONFERENCE - C. ISH	CONSERVATION/PLANNING
		727.80	AIRFARE NWRA CONFERENCE - C. LOPEZ	BOARD OF DIRECTORS
		727.80	AIRFARE NWRA CONFERENCE - J. CASUGA	EXEC TEAM
		419.40	AIRFARE NWRA CONFERENCE - S. RUSSO BACA	BOARD OF DIRECTORS
		(33.91)	CURRENCY CONVERSION FEE CREDIT	GENERAL FUND
		243.75	FY26 CMA ANNUAL FEE - P. FANELLI	EXEC TEAM
		398.00	GAAFR 2024 EDITION	ACCOUNTING
		293.64	HOTEL WATER LEADERS WORKSHOP - A. MARKEN	WATER OPERATIONS
		293.64	HOTEL WATER LEADERS WORKSHOP - C. BAUGH	BOARD OF DIRECTORS
		293.64	HOTEL WATER LEADERS WORKSHOP - C. ISH	CONSERVATION/PLANNING
		293.64	HOTEL WATER LEADERS WORKSHOP - J. CASUGA	EXEC TEAM
		293.64	HOTEL WATER LEADERS WORKSHOP - K. DUNNING	BOARD OF DIRECTORS
		293.64	HOTEL WATER LEADERS WORKSHOP - S. RUSSO BACA	BOARD OF DIRECTORS
		371.28	KEYBOARDS - ISO IPADS	INFORMATION SYSTEMS
		639.96	MONITORS (4)	INFORMATION SYSTEMS
		250.00	NMPPA CONFERENCE REGISTRATION - R. DELOIA	PURCHASING
		250.00	NMPPA CONFERENCE REGISTRATION - R. VARELA	PURCHASING
		775.00	NWRA CONFERENCE REGISTRATION - C. BAUGH	BOARD OF DIRECTORS
		775.00	NWRA CONFERENCE REGISTRATION - C. ISH	CONSERVATION/PLANNING

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	WELLS FARGO BANK cont.	775.00	NWRA CONFERENCE REGISTRATION - C. LOPEZ	BOARD OF DIRECTORS
		775.00	NWRA CONFERENCE REGISTRATION - J. CASUGA	EXEC TEAM
		775.00	NWRA CONFERENCE REGISTRATION - S. RUSSO BACA	BOARD OF DIRECTORS
		317.58	OFFICE SUPPLIES	GENERAL OFFICE
		625.00	REGISTRATION 2026 ESRI CONFERENCE J.DAGGETT	GIS/MAPPING
		625.00	REGISTRATION GFOA - P. FANELLI	EXEC TEAM
		793.82	REGISTRATION LAND & WATER SUMMIT	BOARD OF DIRECTORS
		396.91	REGISTRATION LAND & WATER SUMMIT C. ISH	CONSERVATION/PLANNING
		45.18	SHOP/WELD SUPPLIES	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
		97.24	SNACKS FOR MEETINGS	HUMAN RESOURCES
		199.00	THE WATER REPORT ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION	GENERAL OFFICE
		165.00	VOIP/INTERNET	BELEN DIVISION
		90.00	VOIP/INTERNET	COCHITI DIVISION
		65.00	VOIP/INTERNET	EL VADO
		315.00	VOIP/INTERNET	SOCORRO DIVISION
		225.00	WATER LEADERS REGISTRATION - A. MARKEN	WATER OPERATIONS
		225.00	WATER LEADERS REGISTRATION - C. BAUGH	BOARD OF DIRECTORS
		225.00	WATER LEADERS REGISTRATION - C. ISH	CONSERVATION/PLANNING
		225.00	WATER LEADERS REGISTRATION - J. CASUGA	EXEC TEAM
		225.00	WATER LEADERS REGISTRATION - K. DUNNING	BOARD OF DIRECTORS
		225.00	WATER LEADERS REGISTRATION - S. RUSSO BACA	BOARD OF DIRECTORS
		1,446.49	WEB SECURITY CERTIFICATE RENEWAL	INFORMATION SYSTEMS
		1.08	ZENDESK TALK USAGE SUBSCRIPTION	INFORMATION SYSTEMS
		1,144,121.27	TOTAL PAYROLL	
		1,444,559.93	TOTAL CHECKS/EFT - GENERAL FUND	
		59,644.16	TOTAL CHECKS - DEBT SERVICE FUND	
		2,420,620.84	TOTAL CHECKS - GRANT FUND	
		-	TOTAL CHECKS - CAPITAL INVESTMENT FUND	
		<u>\$ 5,068,946.20</u>	GRAND TOTAL	
<hr/> Pamela S. Fanelli, CMA, CGFM Secretary-Treasurer/CFO		<hr/> John P. Kelly, Chairman MRGCD Board of Directors		

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**MINUTES OF THE
2,233rd REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
MIDDLE RIO GRANDE CONSERVANCY DISTRICT**

MARCH 9, 2026

Directors having been duly notified; Chairman Kelly called the regular meeting to order at 3:03 pm. The following Directors and Staff were present:

DIRECTORS

STAFF

John P. Kelly, Chair	Present	Jason Casuga	Chief Engineer/CEO
Colin T. Baugh, Vice Chair	Present	Lorna Wiggins	General Counsel
Brian Jiron, Director	Present	Jeff Wechsler	Chief Water Counsel
Stephanie Russo Baca, Director	Present	Pamela Fanelli	Secretary-Treasurer/CFO
J. Chris Lopez, Director	Present	Eric Zamora	Director of Technical Services
Micheal T. Sandoval, Director	Present	Christine Nardi	Director of Human Services
Karen Dunning, Director	Present	Amanda Molina	Director of Communications
		Casey Ish	Director of Lands & Conservation

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12 The following names of individuals were interested viewers, callers and/or participants:

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14	Anne Marken, MRGCD	Joe Maez	Chris Sichler
15	Matt Martinez, MRGCD	Paula Sichler	Vincent Sanchez
16	Richard DeLoia, MRGCD	Rick Miera, Corrales	Bern Miera, Corrales
17	Cecilia Howard, Corrales	Mike Gadler, Los Padillas	Mel Knight, Corrales
18	Angel Madera, MRGCD	Jason Howard, Corrales	Jerome Cordova, Bosque
19	Frank Reinow, Los Ranchos	Jorge Garcia, CESOSS	Laurie Stout, Corrales
20	Josh Gamboa, MRGCD	Henry Romero	John Edward, Los Ranchos
21	Herman Trujillo	Santiago Maestas, SVRAA	Joe Sanchez
22	Nat Chakeres, OSE	Hannah Riseley-White, ISC	Luke Smith, Wilson & Co
23	Sharon Wirth, ISC	Sharon Kindel, OSE	Angelina Jimenez, MRGCD
24	Troy Howard, Corrales	Antoinette Ramos, MRGCD	

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26 **AGENDA ITEM NO. 1 – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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28 Frank Reinow, Village of Los Ranchos Trustee, led the Pledge of Allegiance at today’s meeting.

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30 Chairman Kelly declared a quorum, and the meeting was publicly noticed. This meeting was a hybrid meeting. Rollcall votes will not be necessary for regular motions.

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33 **AGENDA ITEM NO.2 - APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA .**

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35 Jason Casuga informed the Board that the Bureau of Reclamation and Bureau of Indian Affairs would not be in attendance, so he asked to strike Item 9.

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38 *See also Appendix I.*

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40 Director Russo Baca made the **MOTION TO APPROVE THE MEETING AGENDA WITH THE ABOVE CHANGES.** Seconded by Director Dunning. The **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

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44 **AGENDA ITEM NO. 3 - CONSENT AGENDA**

- 45 a. **Consideration/Approval of Payment Ratification – February 2026**
 46 b. **Consideration/Approval of February 2026 Invoice for Wiggins, Williams &**
 47 **Wesenberg, PC**
 48 c. **Consideration/Approval of February 2026 Invoices for Spencer Fane LLP**
 49 d. **Consideration/Approval of the Minutes for the Regular Board Meeting – February**
 50 **9, 2026**
 51 e. **Memo on MRGCD Approved Licenses for February 2026 (For Informational**
 52 **Purposes Only)**

53
 54 Director Dunning asked about the approved licenses. She asked if Western New Mexico
 55 Communication are paying the new rates.

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 57 Mr. Ish answered yes.

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 59 Director Lopez made the **MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA**. Seconded
 60 by Director Russo Baca. The **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**.

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 62 **AGENDA ITEM NO. 4 - CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF PROCLAMATION**
 63 **ACKNOWLEDGING THE HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE OF THE ROSS ENGINEERING**
 64 **LINEAGE AND THE ROSS HOWARD COMPANY AND FORMALLY THANKING MS.**
 65 **CECILIA MARTINEZ HOWARD FOR HER PRESERVATION EFFORTS OF HISTORIC**
 66 **SURVEYS AND RECORDS** - Doug Strech, Systems and Data Integration Program Manager

67
 68 Mr. Strech asked for approval of the proclamation acknowledging the historical significance of
 69 the Ross Engineering lineage and the Ross Howard Company. He thanked Ms. Martinez
 70 Howard for her preservation efforts of the historic surveys and records. He noted that through
 71 this effort with Ms. Cecilia Howard, along with her sons Troy and Jason Howard, and the
 72 MRGCD's own effort, a significant portion of the historic surveys and records have been
 73 reviewed and preserved.

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 75 Chairman Kelly asked Mr. Strech to read the proclamation.

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 77 *See Appendix II.*

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 79 Mr. Strech presented the proclamation to Ms. Martinez Howard, Troy Howard, and Jason
 80 Howard.



82 Director Russo Baca made the **MOTION TO APPROVE THE PROCLAMATION.**
 83 Seconded by Director Lopez. The **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

84
 85 Ms. Martinez Howard thanked her sons, who suggested they donate all the maps, Mr. Casuga,
 86 and Mr. Strech. She shared they distributed the maps to several agencies.

87
 88 Chairman Kelly thanked Ms. Martinez Howard and her family.

89
 90 Director Dunning stated they had two trustees from the Village of Los Ranchos that were not
 91 one of agencies mentioned, but they were interested in getting some of those documents. She
 92 said Mr. Strech said he would look into that.

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 94 **AGENDA ITEM NO. 5 - REPORT ON THE 2026 NM LEGISLATIVE SESSION - John**
 95 **Thompson, MRGCD Lobbyist**

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 97 Mr. Thompson gave a report on the 2026 New Mexico Legislative Session. He said they had
 98 688 bills introduced, but only 368 germane, which translated into a higher than normal 20%
 99 pass rate. He stated the governor has until March 11th to act on legislation that was signed, and
 100 anything not acted upon will be considered a pocket veto. He shared that as of an hour ago, she
 101 acted on 48 of 74 bills passed, but no action on the budget, capital outlay, or the omnibus tax
 102 package that passed. He expressed several funding issues that were pursued this year, as well
 103 as some water policy related measures. He voiced that their primary issue was seeking funding
 104 directly in the budget for Bosque management projects, which they were successful in doing, as
 105 there was \$7 million in House Bill 2 for Bosque management purposes. However, there were
 106 changes made when House Bill 2 made it to Senate to that language and there an increase
 107 from \$7 million to \$9 million, as well as language dealing with river channel maintenance in the
 108 Main Stem and tributaries of the Rio Grande in partnership with ISC. He stated there is nothing
 109 more challenging than trying to get a direct appropriation in a budget bill and they were
 110 successful in doing that. He noted they got an extension to 2029 on the funding, with language
 111 opening a door to come back and access more funding in the future. He thanked the legislative
 112 allies that helped them get there, and said the District received \$200,000 for the Vecinos Del
 113 Bosque, which was fractional of what they requested but a really good start. Mr. Thompson said
 114 capital outlay was at the same level as last year, but there is a strong push on anything water
 115 related in different established programs. He voiced that House Bill 63, the annual Water Trust
 116 Board bill, passed, and House Bill 109 was passed and signed, which removes the legislative
 117 requirement for Water Trust Board projects until the end of 2029. He talked about House Bill
 118 111, which increases the penalty for illegal use of water and is now \$3400 a day. That bill was
 119 passed and signed, and he noted it does not include over-diversion. He added he was watching
 120 House Bill 207, regarding rulemaking surrounding produced water, which was tabled, but he felt
 121 they will continue to see more discussion around potential uses for produced water. He also
 122 briefly talked about House Bill 37, the second rendition regarding manmade infrastructure failure
 123 and assessment of property taxation, Senate Bill 193, regarding acequia and ditch infrastructure
 124 transfers, and Senate Bill 145, dealing with audit changes for all state agencies, all of which
 125 failed or tabled. Mr. Thompson explained it was forecasted that entering into the Legislative
 126 Session they would see revenues plateau or drop as a result of lowering oil prices, which were
 127 set at \$57 a barrel, but now they are over \$120. He said \$20 million dollars was added to the
 128 New Mexico Match Fund, \$100 million to the Water Trust Board, \$10 million to the River
 129 Stewards Fund, and \$13 million to the Strategic Water Reserve.

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 131 Chairman Kelly asked about the makeup of the Water Trust Board members and who selects
 132 them.

133 Mr. Thompson's understanding was that it is a broad variety of people and believed the State
134 Engineer appointed them but was not completely sure on that.

135
136 Chairman Kelly commented they have a big siphon going in Sandoval County, they are going to
137 be awarding a contract for the Loretta Dr Project and did \$5 million in construction the last
138 month. He expressed they are an agency that can take capital outlay and Water Trust Board
139 grants and turn them into projects on the ground.

140
141 Mr. Casuga stated they got Bosque money, leaving it open for potential seeking additional
142 funding, which resonates with a lot of the interim committees they went through. He voiced that
143 he hopes they are turning their attention to a resource that needs to be protected but needs to
144 continue to be invested in.

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146 **AGENDA ITEM NO. 6 - REPORT(S) FROM THE WATER OPERATIONS**

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148 **a. Report on Water Supply Conditions - Anne Marken, River Operations & Telemetry**

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150 Ms. Marken gave the Board a water supply update. She voiced that snowpack in the
151 basin relevant to Middle Valley water supply was at or below 50% of the 30-year median,
152 and the further south they go the worse it gets. She shared the recent warm weather
153 resulted in some low elevation snowmelt, resulting in 2.5 inches of snow water
154 equivalent melting at the Rio Chama Sub Basin since February 24th. She noted the rate
155 of melting slowed a little bit at the end of last week with the cooler weather, but she
156 expects melting to resume with forecasted warmer temperatures. She displayed a graph
157 from the NRCS Taos Powderhorn SNOTEL site, which is at higher elevations, with a
158 snow water equivalent there holding stable but there is not a lot of moisture up there.
159 She shared that river flows have increased with the recent low elevation snow melt,
160 providing more water than anticipated for season startup. At the Otowi Gage, flows have
161 increased by 200 CFS since February 24th, and the flow is measuring 800 CFS. She
162 expressed that in April, when Colorado begins their irrigation season, the amount of
163 water crossing the state will decrease, which will reduce Middle Valley water supply. Mr.
164 Marken explained the river needs to remain connected prior to spring runoff peak to try
165 to prevent multiple river channel drying events in the spring. She expects the Middle
166 Valley could see initial river channel drying in mid to late April in the San Acacia Reach,
167 and even without the Compact storage restrictions, the District likely would not have
168 been able to store water due to the poor snowpack conditions and limited runoff
169 expected from the Rio Chama. Based on current snowpack in the San Juan Basin,
170 MRGCD expects to receive 30% of a full allocation, amounting to about 6200-acre feet,
171 an equivalent of 8 days of a 400 CFS release. She said MRGCD will operate as a run of
172 the river system for most of the season and irrigators should expect extended periods
173 between irrigation deliveries after spring runoff and prepare to be in P&P only operations
174 for some amount of time this summer. Ms. Marken stated the NWS one week forecast
175 shows chances for precipitation for today and tomorrow, but the rest of the week is
176 expected to be hot and dry. The seasonal outlook through May indicates above average
177 temperatures and below average precipitation.

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179 *See also Appendix III.*

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181 Director Dunning commented there was an article in the Washington Post about a
182 European weather prediction group saying they believe this year will be a major El Nino
183 year. She asked if in an El Nino year they get more precipitation.

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185 Ms. Marken responded that in La Nina years they typically have drier and warmer
186 winters, and cooler and wetter winters in El Nino. She added they were moving into an
187 ENSO-neutral pattern that she was optimistic about.

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189 **b. Report on Water Distribution - Matt Martinez, Irrigation Distribution Manager**
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191 Mr. Martinez reported on water distribution. He said ISOs returned from winter break on
192 February 9th, and they participated in several days of structured training covering basic
193 personnel and training rules, District history and mission, canal operations and water
194 data, and water policy and irrigation recordkeeping. He stated at the annual ISO
195 meeting, they discussed snowpack conditions, poor streamflow forecasts, what outlooks
196 may mean for irrigation this season, and the importance of focusing on delivering water
197 efficiently and equitable as possible, maintaining professionalism, and meeting
198 organization expectations. They experienced a significant wind event on February 17th,
199 that created challenges for canal preparation and had limited opportunities for ditch
200 burning due to continued breezy conditions. He showed a short video to the Board
201 capturing what their crews have been dealing starting up the system. He noted startup
202 operations require a great deal of coordination and effort and acknowledged their field
203 crews for their hard work, as well as division managers. He shared that they
204 implemented a staggered startup plan moving south to north and the increased river flow
205 allowed them to accelerate the startup in some locations. They charged a few critical
206 path canals in the south, including west side of the Belen Division, Socorro Division, and
207 southern parts of the Albuquerque Division, as well as incorporating the Corrales Service
208 Area, and transitioned to the east side of Belen Division ahead of schedule. He said they
209 anticipate ramping up diversions at Angostura to charge the Albuquerque Main Canal
210 and several laterals in the upper part of the system at the end of the week. He stated
211 they expect to make a wider push into the north Albuquerque system next week and
212 may also bring portions of the Cochiti system online if conditions allow. Mr. Martinez
213 shared it is normal to encounter setbacks as canals are charged and structures are
214 tested under flow for the first time after several months being out of service, and this
215 year has been no different. Crews are working diligently to make repairs and work to
216 resume operations. He thanked Ms. Molina in always keeping the public informed on
217 those things. He stated that irrigation will begin when they do not interfere with canal
218 charging operations, and early snow melt and pre-spring runoff allowed them to
219 accelerate canal charging, operate more canals concurrently, and open deliveries earlier
220 than expected. However, supply conditions will likely tighten as they head into April. He
221 said where water is available, ISOs are taking requests and contacting irrigators to
222 determine who is ready to take water and right now conditions are allowing some
223 flexibility in how they rotate water through the system as long as it does not delay
224 irrigators waiting for water. They will do their best to get water to new seed when needed
225 but cannot make any guarantees. He went over the MRGCD irrigator tips for the 2026
226 season the ISOs have been circulating to their irrigators.

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228 *See also Appendix IV.*
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230 Director Russo Baca thanked the crews for working really hard.

231
232 Director Jiron commented he had some farmers down south say there were guys asking
233 for water that had last year's spring alfalfa planted or winter crops, as there was water in
234 the system but they were not allowed to irrigate. He asked if it was possible to let them
235 irrigate when the system is charged and it is passing by them.
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237 Mr. Casuga responded when they are charging the system, the answer might be no,
 238 because they are trying to move enough water down to keep it charging. He said they
 239 went through a process in 2022 where they talked to the public about prioritizing new
 240 seed and winter wheat and he was told it was not his job to tell people have to farm. He
 241 stated that in the rotation process, they call and ask people if they want water when it is
 242 available. He shared a farmer has a right to say whether or not they think their crop
 243 needs it or not. He shared he learned his lesson from when they tried prioritizing new
 244 seed and new crop in 2022, and received public outlash they should not be doing that.
 245 He added this is the least ideal way to run the system, as it was designed to be able to
 246 store water, divert, and put water across more canals.

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 248 Vice Chair Baugh expressed it seems like they are in a pre-spring runoff. He asked if
 249 that meant after charge up, there would be a higher chance to have water and pressure
 250 that parcientes could irrigate. He asked him to speak to Bernalillo County on that.
 251

252 Mr. Martinez answered he saw the early snowmelt as an opportunity to accelerate their
 253 startup plan and try to get water throughout the system a little earlier than anticipated
 254 based on February flows. He felt they owed it to their irrigators who are ready to make it
 255 available. However, the extra water now means water is not available later in the spring.
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257 Chairman Kelly inquired if this year's crew of ISOs are made up of a lot of new ISOs.
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259 Mr. Martinez responded a majority of their ISOs returned and are currently down two in
 260 Belen and one in Cochiti, but they have a lot of interest in those areas. He was
 261 encouraged by the attitude and effort he has seen from the team this year.
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263 **AGENDA ITEM NO.7 - REPORT(S) FROM THE SECRETARY-TREASURER/CFO - Pamela**
 264 **Fanelli, CMA, CGFM**
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266 **a. Report on the Fiscal Year 2025 Financial Report -Alan "A.J." Bowers, Carr Riggs &**
 267 **Ingram**
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269 Mr. Bowers gave the report on the Fiscal year 2025 Financial Report and audit for June
 270 30, 2025. He said they did single audit compliance testing for each major federal
 271 program and tested for the compliance with NM State audit rule. He went over the
 272 timeline of the audit with the Board, noting the federal compliance supplement delays
 273 and deadline extensions to January 20, 2026 for the financial statement and February 9,
 274 2026 for the single audit. He reminded the Board of the auditor's responsibility under the
 275 US & Government auditing standards, as well as management responsibility. He stated
 276 the independent auditor's report shows an unmodified opinion on the financial
 277 statements, so there were no areas where they could not form an opinion or obtain
 278 sufficient appropriate audit evidence. They also found the financial statements were
 279 presented fairly in accordance with U.S. GAAP and there were no audit areas where an
 280 opinion could not be rendered. The GAGAS Report on Internal Control over Financial
 281 reporting and on compliance with other matters showed negative assurance and no
 282 findings noted. The Uniform Guidance Report on Major Program and Internal Control
 283 over Compliance showed an unmodified opinion.
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285 *See also Appendix V.*
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287 Director Russo Baca thanked Mr. Bowers for his time and work.

288 Chairman Kelly commented they have a clean audit once again, and he thanked Ms.
289 Fanelli, Mr. Casuga, and their staff for their hard work. He thanked Mr. Bowers as well.

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291 **b. Report on Finance Committee Meeting, March 9, 2026 - Chairman Kelly, Vice**
292 **Chairman Baugh, and Director Russo Baca**

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294 Chairman Kelly shared they had a Finance Committee Meeting before this board
295 meeting where they discussed the Debt Policy and resolved questions the committee
296 had with Ms. Wiggins present. They also looked at Resolutions M-03-09-26-236 and BA-
297 03-09-26-112.

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299 **c. Consideration/Approval of Debt Policy**

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301 Ms. Fanelli explained the reason they created the Debt Management Policy was to set
302 clear and practical guidelines for how MRGCD plans and manage long term obligations
303 and it identifies the permitted uses of debt, affordability targets, maturity targets, and
304 identifies the debt limit set in Article 73-16. She said it also clarifies the BOR contracts
305 set in Article 18 are not subject to the debt limit and identifies a path for increasing a
306 debt limit if needed. She noted the current debt limit is \$22.8 million. She added it
307 identifies the processes for selling bonds as well.

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309 Chairman Kelly voiced the \$22 million debt limit was established in the Master Plan of
310 the District, and right now they are at about 40% of that, and there is a procedure to
311 increase that, but they see no reason for that.

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313 Director Russo Baca made the **MOTION TO APPROVE THE DEBT MANAGEMENT**
314 **POLICY WITH THE DIRECTION TO THE CHIEF ENGINEER/CEO TO ENSURE IT IS**
315 **UPDATED AS APPROPRIATE.** Seconded by Vice Chair Baugh. The **MOTION CARRIED**
316 **UNANIMOUSLY.**

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318 **d. Consideration/Approval of Resolution M-03-09-26-236 Disposal of Obsolete**
319 **Items**

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321 Director Russo Baca made the **MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION M-03-09-26-236**
322 **DISPOSAL OF OBSOLETE ITEMS.** Seconded by Director Dunning. The **MOTION CARRIED**
323 **UNANIMOUSLY.**

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325 Director Dunning was glad they are donating some of this to the Valle Vista education
326 project.

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328 **e. Consideration/Approval of Resolution BA-03-09-26-112 Adoption of Amended**
329 **Budget for Fiscal Year 2026 (07-01-25 to 06-30-26)**

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331 Director Russo Baca made the **MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION BA-03-09-26-**
332 **112 ADOPTION OF AMENDED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026 (07-01-25 TO 6-30-26.**
333 Seconded by Director Dunning. The **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

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335 **AGENDA ITEM NO. 8 - ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR (Comments are limited to three (3)**
336 **minutes)**

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338 **Joe Maez**

339 Mr. Maez stated he lives next to the drainage ditch behind Wells Fargo in Bosque Farms and
 340 their neighborhood is having a problem with the drainage ditch that clogs up around every two
 341 months that has been going on for the last 10 or more years. He explained it starts clogging one
 342 month after the crews come out and clean it out. He said the drainage ditch overflowed a few
 343 years ago. He expressed h when it clogs up 2 or 3 feet from the top, it causes a terrible stench
 344 for the neighborhood with the stagnate water. He added that sometimes children start playing
 345 next to the drainage ditch and the water gets 6 to 7 feet high, and he worries they may fall in
 346 and would have a hard time getting out. Another problem is the ditch banks are deteriorating
 347 badly, which could be a danger to vehicles passing by. He believes when they replaced the
 348 culvert around 15 years ago, they may have left the culvert too high, as it did not clog up often
 349 before that. He suggested to Director Jiron previously that fixing that would save the
 350 Conservancy thousands of dollars.

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 352 Chairman Kelly voiced he would speak with Director Jiron and they will speak with their division
 353 manager down there regarding that.

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 355 **Jerome Cordova**

356 Mr. Cordova commented there are rumors that where they are allotted and guaranteed 3-acre
 357 feet of water, there is a district out there with 4-to-4.5-acre feet, so he was not sure they were
 358 not the same. He owns property off of Feeder 3, and said they are doing a great job with the
 359 construction off of Feeder 3, but he noticed the property to the north has encroached the
 360 easement of the Conservancy District. He stated he has been cleaning it a little at a time
 361 because people have been parking there and trying to break into his property, but now it is
 362 turning into a little park. He asked if the Conservancy was interested in selling it or allowing him
 363 to finish cleaning it and fence it and letting MRGCD maintain the easement to keep people away
 364 from there. He added he also owns a property off of Willow Way and the Belen Drain, where
 365 there is a barbed wire fence that he would like to replace with pipe. He asked for permission to
 366 do that.

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 368 Chairman Kelly stated Mr. Ish would be his primary contact on that, but they will look at the
 369 fence. He said they do not want to sell any right-of-way until the project is completely done
 370 down there.

371
 372 **Jorge Garcia**

373 Mr. Maestas, CESOSS, discussed the Primera Agua event they will be hosting on March 29th,
 374 where they are having the Comanchitos do their dance, acequia music, and blessings. He said
 375 it will bring an opportunity to create a gateway for Atrisco and the communities and showcase
 376 the beautiful things the region has to show. He stated they are going to be presented a proposal
 377 of sorts to the partnership to think differently about economic development. He brought flyers
 378 and a concept paper going back to the agreement they have.

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 380 *See also Appendix VI.*

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 382 **Santiago Maestas**

383 Mr. Maestas, South Valley Regional Association of Acequias, expressed they participated in the
 384 Acequia Limpias on all five acequias, and he thanked the legislators from the South Valley for
 385 the \$75,000 appropriated for acequias in Bernalillo County. He shared they are initiating a water
 386 right transfer process from the Pajarito Acequia, and he passed out an information bulletin
 387 prepared by CESOSS on their behalf.

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 389 *See also Appendix VII.*

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391 **Vincent Sanchez**

392 Mr. Sanchez expressed he was there to remind everyone that communication is a valuable skill
393 for municipalities and his experience with MRGCD's communication has been very good.
394 However, he has not witnessed municipality to municipality or utility communication, and his
395 personal issues are adjacent and overlapping in those responsibilities of agencies. He explained
396 that when a ditch bank has a hazard, MRGCD is responsible to fix the problem, but if a
397 municipality does not enforce the zoning easement that affects MRGCD's access, it reduces the
398 ability to do its required duties. He hoped people remember that as their ISOs or engineers are
399 looking at drawings, they are able to see how the accesses are being affected.
400

401 **John Edward**

402 Mr. Edward, Los Ranchos resident and newly elected Board of Trustee Board Member, stated
403 he heard El Vado was in dire need of construction and repair that has taken a long time, so he
404 requested they make that a priority. He voiced they will be making a strong point moving
405 forward that they want to be an active, engaged, participating partner regarding the land and
406 water and that relationship. He said he would like to see the MRGCD come to their meeting and
407 have a voice, and he does not want the land to be cut up and turned into pavement and have
408 MRGCD lose relevance. He stated he shares the camaraderie and spirit of what the water, river,
409 and ditches represent with serving a multipurpose factor of their community. He thanked the
410 Board for their time and service.
411

412 Chairman Kelly commented they value their relationship with the Village of Los Ranchos and
413 they can certainly improve things.
414

415 **Dave Montoya**

416 Mr. Montoya shared it is a unique situation for the volunteer group to follow up on the Old
417 Chamisal clearing, as it is an MRGCD acequia and the work was supposed to start in February,
418 but things were delayed. He asked what the status was on that. He stated they formed a group
419 that will take it on and the planting on the MRGCD ditch, as well as a little extension on the
420 MRGCD ditch. They will connect to an area of 4 or 5 acres, where they intend to plant with
421 native grasses and utilize the silt and clay. He said they are hoping to get the work done by mid-
422 summer or very early fall so they can utilize some of the late runoffs and get everything planted.
423 He commented that he farms about 12 acres. He was told when they first planted, they are
424 prioritizing the water delivery for fall planting and winter wheat, but now he has heard something
425 a little bit different. He voiced that it is very important, as they will lose their crop.
426

427 **Chris Sichler**

428 Mr. Sichler talked about the 3-acre foot on-farm delivery. He thanked the state engineer and
429 director from ISC for taking the time to come to the meeting and listen to them. He objected to
430 the 3-acre foot number, as they have historically been delivered more water than that. He said
431 they were tasked with putting water to beneficial use and they have done that, and short of
432 adjudication they do not know what that number is and have to adjudicate to figure it out. He
433 noted that in the lower valley, they had a similar number of 3.5-acre feet on-farm delivery, but
434 after adjudication they wound up with 4.5-acre feet and pecan farmers would up with 5.5-acre
435 feet by showing they put that water to beneficial use. He felt they would be able to show
436 similarly in this valley that they used more than that. He added that in the lower valley, they had
437 a higher return flow given to them for on-farm deliveries, which he could also see happening
438 here. He acknowledged there was a big push because of the Compact debt and trying to solve
439 this problem, but farmers are not the problem. He mentioned in 1953, they had a 500,000-acre
440 foot debt to Texas, so they built the Low Flow Conveyance Channel, which paid back that debt
441 and the District was putting more agriculture into production and it did not effect it. He

442 suggested fixing the river system and using the channel to fix the problem now, and that the
443 state engineer and ISC must have MRGCD's back on that.

444
445 Chairman Kelly commented that Mr. Sichler sent a letter to BOR, which he read. He asked if Mr.
446 Sichler wanted to mention any highlights from that to the members who may not have read it.

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448 *See also Appendix VIII.*

449
450 Mr. Sichler voiced that he sent it to the acting commissioner of BOR. He believed if they could
451 use the channel to get certain waters through it, they could at least stop increasing the debt to
452 Texas. He felt with the administration they have right now in place, they are saying they want to
453 get things done, so he wanted to write a letter and had a lot of people sign onto it who agreed
454 with it. He hoped it helps the District in their negotiations.

455
456 **Martin Haynes**

457 Mr. Haynes voiced this whole issue is rising because of the debt, and the state is starting to
458 realize they have problems, as they are the ones responsible for the debt. He noted this board
459 and irrigators with MRGCD should not be the ones carrying that burden. He mentioned House
460 Bill 111, which increases the penalty to \$3000 a day. He said there are illegal diversions going
461 on by the federal government and asked them to think what would happen if that got levied
462 upon the federal government and what the state would end up with. He stated this board as a
463 Conservancy District is not responsible for meeting any Compact requirements, especially upon
464 the irrigators. He pled with the board to remember what they are here for and that they meet the
465 mission in the mission statement and the statutes levied upon this board.

466
467 **Michael Gadler**

468 Mr. Gadler, Los Padilla resident, voiced they have irrigated the area for a long time and always
469 done it the same way with flood irrigation. He said some parts of the world have changed their
470 method irrigation to a modernized drip irrigation, but he did not see many experiments
471 happening here in this part of the MRGCD. However, there are pecan orchards that could be
472 benefited by that kind of irrigation. He noted that study needs to be done and this organization
473 can do that. He added there is \$100 million available in Santa Fe for a project on the ground just
474 like a drip irrigation would be in this area, and MRGCD are the people to do that.

475
476 **Cecilia Rosacker**

477 Ms. Rosacker, Lemitar irrigator, commented she wanted to better understand what is happening
478 on the Lemitar Main Canal with the linings that have become compromised and when they will
479 be able to get water and how the issue will be addressed.

480
481 Chairman Kelly responded they are taking action to restore that section of channel to an earth
482 line channel and deliver water as soon as they can. He stated they had a little construction
483 hiccup but they will get water delivered down there in spite of some of the detachment of that
484 liner.

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486 **Chairman Kelly**

487 Chairman Kelly stated they solicited for people to apply to be on the Urban Advisory Committee
488 and the response was not as robust as they hoped, so they extended the application time for
489 another month. He said they are looking for 8 to 10 people to help with those issues.

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491 **AGENDA ITEM NO. 9 - UPDATE FROM THE OFFICE OF STATE ENGINEER** - Elizabeth
492 Anderson, State Engineer, Hannah Riseley-White, Interstate Stream Commission Director

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494 Nat Chakeres presented on the 3-acre foot Farm Delivery Requirement (FDR). He explained the
495 reason they talk about pre-1907 water rights is because in 1907, the water code went into
496 effect, making it so that anybody wanting to start diverting water after that needed a permit from
497 the state engineer. He said in 1918, they set by regulation a net duty of 3-acre feet per water
498 per acre as the cap for surface deliveries as demonstrated by state, private, and government
499 tests. He stated that in 1928, MRGCD's report of the chief engineer acknowledged the 3-acre
500 feet and incorporated that.

501
502 *See also Appendix IX.*

503
504 Mr. Chakeres discussed the comments and questions made during Items from the Floor. He felt
505 the speakers all made excellent points. He said the comment that some people have been
506 delivered more may be the case, as MRGCD has considerable discretion to deliver waters to its
507 lands in its statute that is very complex, and the state engineer has never regulated on-farm
508 deliveries in the MRGCD system and do not plan to do that. He said if they do not get out of the
509 Compact debt, they will track every acre foot that gets delivered and have conversations with
510 MRGCD if it looks like they will get close to the 200,000-acre foot delivery, but they are not
511 imminently violating that at this point. He understood some farmers to the south have been
512 adjudicated larger farm delivery requirements, and it is true the farm delivery requirement will be
513 determined in an adjudication. He expressed the State's position for surface water deliveries at
514 3-acre feet per acre was the only lawful allowable FDR that ever existed, so any further
515 deliveries to land would not establish a higher water right. He noted that in EBID, the delivery on
516 land for surface water is 3-acre feet per acre, and the reason some people are hearing higher
517 numbers is because the state engineer did not declare the ground water basin down there at the
518 same time they declared it here.

519
520 Director Russo Baca asked for clarification that in the Middle Valley, they have a supplemental
521 groundwater permit but it is still at the 3-acre feet limit.

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523 Mr. Chakeres answered yes.

524
525 Chairman Kelly asked if he was saying they cannot stack a groundwater right on the surface
526 water right.

527
528 Mr. Chakeres responded if they want to move a water right from one area to stack in another
529 place where they are not taking the delivery from the move from area, that is a possibility
530 depending on the details, but if someone has a supplemental well, the total amount they can get
531 from both surface and groundwater is 3-acre feet per acre. He added if it is a pre-basin well,
532 they would look at the water use up to the basin declaration date to see if they went over the 3-
533 acre feet.

534
535 Vice Chair Baugh asked Mr. Chakeres to broadcast dialed down definitions of consumptive
536 depletion uses and what those ratings can be, as when they get the delivery, there is a ratio
537 number of used and a ration number of returned.

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539 Director Russo Baca also inquired if he would explain the hydrographic survey.

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541 Mr. Chakeres answered the FDR is a total amount of water at the farm headgate that is
542 delivered, and of that amount some of the water gets returned to the system, depending on the
543 crops, climate, soils, and how level the farmland is. He noted the same reports generating the 3-
544 acre foot FDR showed an average consumptive use of 2.1-acre feet, so .9 was on average

545 District wide going back into the system. He said if a water right is transferred from Ag to a fully
546 consumptive use type of permit, they only allow that municipality to pump 2.1-acre feet.

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548 Vice Chair Baugh asked him to speak to the fact that sometimes the flow return is higher than .9
549 depending on the crop or soil.

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551 Mr. Chakeres responded that is true, as sometimes it could be higher or lower.

552
553 Mr. Casuga shared it is worthwhile to look at A while they look at C. He said at the time, the total
554 annual consumptive use of the river water was 3.9-acre feet per acre irrigated, but that includes
555 river losses. He stated if the State is jumping onto 3-acre feet per acre, will they have a
556 conversation about what the river consumes now.

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558 Mr. Chakeres answered they need to have that conversation. He agreed they need to use the
559 Low Flow effectively and make sure the river consumption does not rob them of whatever they
560 are trying to deliver to Elephant Butte.

561
562 Mr. Chakeres voiced they are available to talk to anybody and they are happy to answer any
563 questions people have any time.

564
565 ISC Director Riseley-White appreciated the Board for having them and their ordering of the
566 agenda. She went over updates and ongoing initiatives. She voiced they are very concerned
567 heading into the season with what they are seeing, and she noted five of the hottest years on
568 record occurred in the last eight years. She stated they are at 124,000 feet of debit and are
569 expecting to incur about 8,000-acre feet of additional debit for last year. She added that the
570 engineer advisors from the three states will meet this month to finalize that accounting, and the
571 Rio Grande Compact Commission Meeting will be on April 17th, in Santa Fe. She thanked
572 District staff for more active engagement with the State over the last several months to plan and
573 prepare for conditions. She shared they were excited to receive the \$9 million for Bosque
574 Management in partnership with MRGCD. She clarified to the extent they are encouraging and
575 actively looking towards the metering order water use, it is imperative they double down at the
576 state on system losses. She added they will need to have all tools available to them and be
577 creative in crafting and implementing solutions given where they are headed. She expressed
578 they have increased data collection throughout the District in the last several years.

579
580 State Engineer Anderson reiterated the appreciation for the partnership they have with the
581 District. She said in regard to the metering order, they are still working on the timeline and
582 extent, but they will be back with more information to share on that. She explained they cannot
583 manage what they cannot measure, so having that data will help with that. She shared they got
584 funding this year from the legislature for measurement and metering. She talked about the
585 legislative session outcomes, including the budget and enforcement bill. She stated they got
586 funding for staffing, and they will really be focusing on the administration piece. She added they
587 are very excited to get the Enforcement Bill through, which will provide more ability for them to
588 manage against illegal water diversions.

589
590 Mr. Casuga commented that in a previous year, there was language put in to differentiate
591 between whether or not they over-irrigate and don't have a water right versus if they over-
592 irrigate and they do to protect water right users from broad civil penalties versus those who do
593 not have water rights. He asked the state engineer to go over that.

594
595 State Engineer Anderson stated one of the main areas of interest for the bill was whether or not
596 they could enforce against people who have legal water rights who just over-diverted, and the

597 answer is no. She said the bill puts into statute a practice they had for years of just requiring
598 those water rights to repay in water instead of paying in monetary penalties. She said that
599 protects people with water rights and the point of the legislation was to conserve the resource.
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601 State Engineer Anderson voiced they were excited to get funding for Lower Rio Grande
602 settlement implementation for the Texas v. New Mexico settlement during this legislative
603 session, and there is a lot of work underway south of Elephant Butte to implement the
604 settlement. The legislature showed their support for that through their funding. She stated that
605 for regional planning, they got more funding from the legislature to continue the important work
606 happening with the Water Security Planning Act, as well as funding for the 50-year Water Action
607 Plan. She added the Strategic Water Reserve was supported this year and they had the
608 implementation of Indian Water Right Settlements.
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610 Director Russo Baca asked them to recap on the Middle Rio Grande metering order, as she
611 wanted people to be clear on what is being metered.
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613 Mr. Chakeres answered it will just be groundwater metering and does not do anything about
614 what the District is metering.
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616 Director Sandoval asked if that would apply to tribal lands.
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618 State Engineer answered no.
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620 Director Dunning inquired, since there are so many non-permitted wells, especially in the South
621 Valley, will they make an effort to identify those and make sure they go through a permitting
622 process after the fact and then have them be metered once they are permitted.
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624 State Engineer responded ultimately yes, as their ongoing efforts will always be about
625 identifying illegal diversions. She said there are more teeth against that now in the enforcement
626 bill, and they will be working with people to try and make sure the wells out there are permitted.
627

628 Vice Chair Baugh commented it was encouraging to see them come back with some answers to
629 an important question. He wondered how they could work better together in a proof-of-concept
630 way with the conjunctive use between ground and surface to get the net 3-acre feet. He noted it
631 would be nice in times like this to have some groundwater to come offset some of that. He said
632 it would be interesting to collaborate with them on how the Middle Valley could come up with
633 projects on that.
634

635 State Engineer Anderson responded she would be interested to talk more about that.
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637 Vice Chair Baugh added the farmers know the area really well down south and are excited to be
638 speaking about creative ways to get the debt paid down. He reiterated the use of the Low Flow
639 strategically around monsoons to capture water heavily deposited. He asked for a brief synopsis
640 of how they calculate the debt.
641

642 ISC Director Riseley-White said they would be happy to come back and give a longer
643 presentation on the Compact itself, but it is not a set amount of water that stays the same every
644 year. She stated what they owe to Elephant Butte is a Compact obligation that is determined by
645 what flows pass the Otowi Gage, so sometimes higher flow years are sometimes the hardest for
646 them to meet their deliveries under. But when there are really low flows with high demands and
647 riparian evapotranspiration, they have a lot of challenges getting water to Elephant Butte.
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649 Chairman Kelly expressed that in January, they were in the middle of a comment period on the
 650 Bureau's project that nobody liked. He asked if they made comments and if they are in line with
 651 the MRGCD.

652
 653 ISC Director Riseley-White responded it was important they were paying attention to that
 654 specific project. She said the federal government dedicated \$143 million to the first phase of
 655 that project to improve the river channel in the San Acacia Reach. She said their comment to
 656 pay close attention to the Compact implications of the project and hit a pause button to do that,
 657 and based on the request from them, MRGCD, and EBID, there was an extension of time for
 658 public comment. She stated that also provided an opportunity to have more intensive
 659 conversation with Reclamation about the analysis they did and how important it is to ensure
 660 their EIS process reflects and calls out the need to look at Compact deliveries to build it into the
 661 adaptative management protocol for the project. She felt they engaged in some productive
 662 conversation with Reclamation that she is hopeful will result in a better plan for the work to
 663 come.

664
 665 Chairman Kelly thanked them for coming and stated that sometime mid-summer might be a
 666 good time to have a presentation on the Compact.

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 668 **AGENDA ITEM NO. 10 - REPORT(S) FROM THE CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER -**
 669 **Richard DeLoia**

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 671 **a. Consideration/Approval for Award of Investment Services/Advisor**

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 673 Mr. DeLoia presented for approval for the Investment Advisory Services RFP. He said
 674 requests for proposals were advertised on February 1st and 5th, and three were
 675 received by the deadline on February 24th. The Committee ranked all three firms and
 676 recommended award to Government Portfolio Advisors on a one-year contract not to
 677 exceed four years per the New Mexico State Procurement code.

678
 679 Chairman Kelly expressed he is on the selection committee and this firm has been
 680 advising them the last four years and have good knowledge of MRGCD, and the value of
 681 the contact is around \$12,000.

682
 683 Director Dunning made the **MOTION TO APPROVE AWARD A CONTRACT TO GPA**
 684 **FOR INVESTMENT SERVICES**. Seconded by Director Russo Baca. The **MOTION CARRIED**
 685 **UNANIMOUSLY**.

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 687 Chairman Kelly noted Director Sandoval had to leave the meeting due to cultural duties
 688 at the Pueblo.

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 690 **b. Consideration/Approval of Loretta Road/Alameda Intersection Improvements**

691
 692 Mr. DeLoia presented for approval for the Loretta Road/Alameda Intersection
 693 Improvements Project, which was funded through Capital Appropriation Grants G3731,
 694 G3729, and G3757. MRGCD staff recommended award to Star Paving for \$982,234.38,
 695 with tax. He stated Star Paving's bid was listed with an incorrect tax rate of 6.3125%, but
 696 they were notified and accepted the correct tax rate of 6.1875%. He said the award was
 697 recommended by Bohannan Huston.

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699 Director Dunning understood engineer's estimates seldom come in what the bid is, but
700 said that was a large difference. She asked why it came in so much higher than
701 anticipated.

702
703 Mr. Zamora could not answer specifics on that, as they only had one bidder with no
704 comparative values. He noted the original bid with the single bidder was much higher
705 and they were able to negotiate the price down a little bit.

706
707 Chairman Kelly pointed out the engineer is looking at data going backwards to look at
708 estimated unit prices and this contractor is looking forward for the next six months during
709 the course of the job and probably wishing he put a lot more in there for diesel fuel. He
710 said Star Paving is qualified to do this type of work.

711
712 Director Russo Baca made the **MOTION TO APPROVE AWARD FOR THE LORETTA**
713 **ROAD/ALAMEDA INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT**. Seconded by Director
714 Lopez. The **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**.

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716 **AGENDA ITEM NO. 11 - REPORT(S) FROM THE HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT -**
717 **Christine L. Nardi, MBA**

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719 **a. Introduction of MRGCD New Hires**

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721 Ms. Nardi introduced MRGCD's new hires and staff changes, including a new Human
722 Resources Coordinator in the General Office, a mechanic transfer from the ER&T
723 Division to the Belen Division, a new medium equipment operator and field maintenance
724 tech, and a new field maintenance tech in the Albuquerque Division.

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726 **b. Employee Recognition**

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728 Ms. Nardi voiced the employee she was going to recognize had to leave and asked if
729 they could table it for next month so they can acknowledge her in person and present
730 her with a certificate.

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732 Chairman Kelly agreed and suggested putting it towards the front of the agenda.

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734 **AGENDA ITEM NO. 12 - REPORT(S) FROM THE DIRECTOR OF LANDS &**
735 **CONSERVATION - Casey Ish**

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737 **a. Update on River Mile 163 Restoration and Public Access Discussion**

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739 Mr. Ish expressed the memo contains a staff recommendation, site map, and photos
740 collected by Mr. Padilla. He shared that at the last meeting, a constituent came during
741 public comment with concerns about vehicular access to the River Mile 163 Corridor
742 post-construction and post-planting and restoration work. He said they sat down with
743 Right-of-Way staff and Bosque Management staff and came up with a staff
744 recommendation to create a temporary soft barrier to some of the recently replanted
745 areas to hopefully mitigate some of those vehicular problems without discouraging foot
746 traffic. He noted the memo currently just called out one location, but they identified two
747 other locations north and south, with a total of 1000 feet temporary fencing to be
748 installed parallel to the levee on the west side of the river and across points where BOR
749 had ingress and egress locations. He hoped that would encourage people with a Bosque
750 access key to refrain from driving within the Bosque in those areas; however, once the

751 river dries, they will lose control of that area from anyone driving up the river into that
752 site.

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754 **b. Consideration/Approval of Tract D1B1 & D1B2 being designated as Surplus Lands**
755 **- Mike Padilla, ROW Supervisor**
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757 Mr. Padilla explained that staff are requesting their consideration and approval to deem
758 a 16- by 980-foot strip of land, approximately 1.33 acres, as surplus. In December 2025,
759 the MRGCD Mapping Team received a plat for review in Valencia County, and the Right-
760 of-way Department identified an existing fence encroaching. He said the 16-foot strip
761 was a part of the Gabaldon Lateral Extension, and the current property owner requested
762 the District sell him the property. After looking into it, they identified it is not needed for
763 the operation and maintenance of the Los Chavez Interior Drain and no other partner
764 agencies reached out for a trail system. Therefore, they are asking for Board approval to
765 declare it surplus and authorize staff to initiate the land sell process.

766
767 Chairman Kelly said it looked like the property owners title company missed something.
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769 Mr. Padilla answered yes, the property owner said he did a title search but they did not
770 go back the full 100 years they exist, only 50, and they did not find they had fee
771 ownership within that 16-foot strip. He stated since they already have a survey hand,
772 they would like to use that and got to the appraisal value and then sell it for the
773 appraised value contingent on the DFA approval.
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775 Chairman Kelly asked if the property owner would be dealing with his title company to
776 make him square.
777

778 Mr. Padilla responded yes.
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780 Mr. Casuga added they are following their documented disposal process.
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782 Director Dunning commented it sounded like he wanted to buy the property because of
783 the encroachment in the neighboring property. She asked if they would get reimbursed if
784 decided not to buy it after the appraisal, and would they go back and get the
785 encroachment removed.
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787 Mr. Padilla stated before they issue a PO, they collect the funds from the landowner to
788 start the appraisal process, but he if backs out, they will work with him to move the fence
789 encroachment to the legal boundary.
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791 Director Dunning made the **MOTION TO APPROVE DECLARING D1B1 AND D1B2 AS**
792 **SURPLUS LANDS**. Seconded by Director Russo Baca. The **MOTION CARRIED**
793 **UNANIMOUSLY**.
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795 **AGENDA ITEM NO. 13 - REPORT(S) FROM THE DIRECTOR OF TECHNICAL SERVICES -**
796 **Eric Zamora, PE**
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798 **a. Off Season Maintenance and Construction Updates**
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800 Mr. Angel Madera gave an update on the Socorro Main Canal Channel Lining Phase IIB
801 Project. He stated the in-channel work was completed February 16th and substantial
802 completion March 15th. He said currently billed to date is \$4,783, 632.42 and they are

803 finalizing change orders and last pay application. They completed 1.1 channel lining,
804 turnout replacements, new long-crested weir, check structures, and the Rubicon gate
805 installation at two headings.

806
807 Mr. Zamora gave an update about the failure at the concrete canvas at the Lemitar Main
808 Canal. He said they saw some separation of the seams near the new weir within the
809 concrete canvas. He stated right now they are doing what they can to get water back in
810 the canal by Sunday/Monday and reached out to the contractor and looking for solutions.
811 He added they have a proposal anticipated tomorrow for repair solutions, including the
812 possibility of leaving a section unlined through the summer and doing a repair later on.

813
814 Director Dunning voiced concern this may fail in other places.

815
816 Mr. Zamora responded this is Phase II of the lining project, and Phase I and the test
817 section they did two years ago are still holding up very well. He said they are going to
818 investigate some circumstances that may have led to this specific failure, but they want
819 to say at this point without a little more data. He assured them their focus is on a solution
820 rather than blaming anyone for the failure.

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822 Mr. Casuga pointed the circumstances here are unique in the distance of the fabric to a
823 hydrologic structure with a lot of energy. He did not think they had seen anything like this
824 across the rest of the project and this is not the first time putting it in; however, this is in
825 proximity to a structure that produces a lot of energy as water moves through it. He said
826 they may find the need to modify the design of the structure and leave more concrete in
827 to let the energy out before transitioning.

828
829 Mr. Madera displayed photos of some of the structures put in. He then discussed the
830 Belen Highline Canal Overflow Structure #2. He voiced they had substantial completion
831 on February 18th and all concrete work was completed on February 10th. Billed to date
832 is \$1,074, 065, and the new overflow structure was completed.

833
834 Ms. Antoinette Ramos updated the board on the Low-Flow Conveyance Channel Phase
835 2 Project. She said construction work was completed and they are currently working on
836 closing out the project. She noted the original contract was \$6,209,717.50 and the final
837 contract amount was \$6,490,217.50. She displayed a video showing the existing
838 condition and the work that was ongoing for Phase 2.

839
840 Mr. Casuga expressed they will be finishing with the State's money and what they do not
841 get done will be MRGCD crews and/or potential maybe future money from the state to
842 keep going.

843
844 Chairman Kelly asked if the \$7 million from the state's scope was broad enough to allow
845 them to work on extending this work.

846
847 Mr. Casuga responded they spent it all, as it was done with ARPA money. He added the
848 new funding from this session was for the Bosque itself and the river conveyance piece
849 was to the Rio Chama.

850
851 Ms. Ramos showed pictures before the dredging and mowing and end of project.

852
853 Vice Chair Baugh asked what boundary they stopped at.

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855 Mr. Casuga explained they are not to San Antonio, but south of Socorro, so they still
856 have a way to go, but the money got them really far. He added he will be motivating the
857 state to be a long-term partner on this and will always advocate for more money, but this
858 is a good opportunity for their crews to do continuous work and show how much they
859 can get done. He stated if they use the Low Flow, it gets rehabilitated but they have to
860 show they can maintain it. He added they are exploring options and thinking of new
861 ideas to try to go forward, but he wants to show the state they are doing plenty of the
862 work themselves while they are asking for the money.

863
864 Vice Chair Baugh asked if the maintenance would fall on MRGCD to maintain on what
865 they just did.

866
867 Mr. Casuga answered yes, MRGCD entered into an agreement with the federal
868 government to maintain it.

869
870 Ms. Ramos went over the Loretta Road Improvements Project. She said the opening
871 was conducted on February 2nd, with one received bid, which was approved earlier in
872 the meeting. She stated they will now work on pre-construction and get it going as soon
873 as they can. In regard to the Feeder 2 Transmission Line Phase 1, all in-channel work
874 was completed by February 23rd, and right now the AUI is working on the 36-inch pipe
875 and completed the jack and bore off Jarales Road. She said looking ahead, they are
876 looking to get the open trench off and going downstream.

877
878 Mr. Casuga asked if they were under the railroad with the jack and bore.

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880 Ms. Ramos answered no, not yet.

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882 Ms. Angelina Jiminez discussed the Atrisco Acequia Madre CBC Extension Phase 1
883 Project. She stated that Phase 1 was awarded to Lopez Precision for a contract amount
884 of \$207,823.88, and they issued a notice to proceed on February 10th. She said they
885 completed pouring concrete wingwalls and CBC side walls on March 4th. She stated that
886 as of today, the forms are stripped, and the contractor needs to complete the backfill and
887 channel reshaping so they can begin moving irrigation water through this section of the
888 Atrisco Acequia.

889
890 Mr. Zamora added that their maintenance staff will be about doing cleanup in the area to
891 make it presentable for the Primera Agua event on the 29th.

892
893 Ms. Jiminez recapped their division projects and show pictures of the complete culvert
894 replacement off of the Cochiti East Main Canal, completed work on Tribal Road 7 in the
895 Pueblo of Isleta, the work completed reshaping and dredging within the Albuquerque
896 Riverside Drain, and a picture of crews working on replacing the Belen Wasteway.

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898 *See also Appendix X.*

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900 Chairman Kelly shared he received calls from the neighborhood around the Riverside
901 Drain by the south diversion channel from people mad about the vegetation being
902 disturbed, and he and Mr. Ish assured them they would do appropriate hydroseeding on
903 there. He stated this is one of the deeper drains they have because it cuts through the
904 historic alluvial fan of the Tijeras Arroyo, so it is an unusual spot with a 20-foot-deep cut
905 before it gets down to the water level. He voiced they would problem hear more from
906 people who liked it the way it was before, but it was a very inefficient drain that hardly

907 could convey 50 CFS from a primary feed to get water down to Isleta Pueblo. He asked
 908 them to tell Mr. Lopez they appreciate the effort they put in to get that culvert extension
 909 done and have it open up for irrigation season and the Acequia Madre Project.

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911 **b. Update on the Corrales Siphon Project**

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913 Mr. Zamora voiced they identified the issue with the conductor's casing and the piece of
 914 equipment being stuck inside, and they are moving forward with a solution to create a
 915 new pilot hole with a new conductor casing. He said that steel has been ordered and
 916 they are in the waiting period; however, in the meantime, on the Pueblo of Sandia side,
 917 work is complete with the minor improvements they could do. He is hoping to get the
 918 material by the end of March so they can be done installing the conductor casing by mid-
 919 April and potentially start the drilling operations by late April, and then a six-week period
 920 of pulling the pipe under the river.

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922 Chairman Kelly asked if the contractor was making any claims for multiple mobilization.

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924 Mr. Zamora responded there is still a lot of discussion to be had on that.

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926 **AGENDA ITEM NO. 14 - REPORT(S) FROM THE CHIEF ENGINEER/CEO**– Jason M. Casuga,
 927 PE

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929 **a. Update from Director of Communications - Amanda Molina**

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931 Ms. Molina voiced they have noticed questions from the general public on how their
 932 system works, so they made a video answering that and she shared that with the board.
 933 She noted that between that video and the charging video, they received over 11,000
 934 views. She stated it has been interesting learning about the different modes of media their
 935 audience goes to for news and information. She shared the next topic they plan to tackle
 936 is what rotations look like and why water managers make the decisions they do. She
 937 expressed she would love to hear from the board members on questions they get.

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939 Vice Chair Baugh suggested sending out the Irrigator Tips that Mr. Martinez showed via
 940 text, along with a link to the video.

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942 Ms. Molina responded they made that in text version as well so the ISO could send those
 943 out but did not link to the video, but agreed that is a great idea.

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945 Director Russo Baca commented that when she sends out an email about the meetings,
 946 she tried to imbed the video. She asked if there was a way to put their YouTube channel
 947 next to the other social media.

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949 Ms. Molina stated YouTube can appear directly from their website, so when the videos
 950 are posted on the website, they do not have to go to another page. She added they have
 951 a call with the website people tomorrow to talk about highlighting those videos on their
 952 homepage so people do not have to dig around and find it.

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954 Vice Chair Baugh shared it was important, especially in the hard season they are facing,
 955 to see the visuals of the charge up.

956

957 **b. Report on Lower San Acacia Reach Improvement Project Technical Presentation
 958 and Discussion with USBR, March 2, 2026 - Jason M. Casuga, CE/CEO**

959 Mr. Casuga stated MRGCD, State Engineer's Office, and EBID were able to communicate
 960 with the federal government, and he attended a highly technical presentation. He said
 961 work Reclamation is doing has shifted, so he felt the technical work is okay; however, the
 962 federal government still needs to update their EIS to contemplate Compact affects. He felt
 963 they were in a good spot, and right now they are on a timeline to respond to the EIS. He
 964 hoped they would see a direct Compact section added to the EIS and have an appendix
 965 section dedicated to the technical work he saw. He voiced making sure the Rio Grande
 966 Compact is contemplated in the EIS and adaptive management plan clears hurdles if
 967 something goes wrong. He met with the regional director when he was in town and they
 968 had a good conversation. He told him one of the biggest resources MRGCD can be to
 969 Reclamation is being the direct link to the users.
 970

971 **c. Report on the 2026 Land and Water Summit, March 5-6, 2026 - Jason M. Casuga,**
 972 **CE/CEO and Directors Sandoval and Russo Baca**
 973

974 Mr. Casuga expressed he was only able to attend the last afternoon, but he got to sit on
 975 a panel made up of other water professionals to answer questions about river drying. He
 976 expressed they needed to encourage the water management community to do community
 977 meetings and take every question available. He shared this was a conference and the
 978 questions were scripted so a lot of people did not get their questions answered. He was
 979 blown away by the expertise sitting on the panel, so they need to find a way to get that
 980 accessible to people to answer questions.
 981

982 Director Russo Baca expressed they could have had that panel for two hours, as it was
 983 very good and had a great number of experts. She noted that Mr. Casuga did a great job.
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985 **d. Information on Upcoming Events:**

- 986 1. **Primera Agua Event, March 29, 2026: Albuquerque, NM**
- 987 2. **5th Annual Acequia & Land Grant Education Project Pre-Conference Institute,**
 988 **April 8, 2026: Albuquerque, NM**
- 989 3. **Rio Grande Compact Commission Annual Meeting, April 17, 2026: Santa Fe,**
 990 **NM**
- 991 4. **2026 Water Leaders Workshop, April 20-22, 2026: Ruidoso, NM**
- 992 5. **Law of the Colorado River Annual Conference, May 18-19, 2026: Santa Fe,**
 993 **NM**
- 994 6. **2026 Next Generation Water Summit, June 11-12, 2026: Santa Fe, NM**
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996 Mr. Casuga discussed the upcoming events.
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998 **AGENDA ITEM NO. 15 - REPORT(S) FROM THE MRGCD ATTORNEY(S) - Chief Water**
 999 **Counsel or General Counsel**

1000 MRGCD's Attorneys did not have any reports to share during open session.
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1003 **AGENDA ITEM NO. 16 REPORT(S) FROM THE BOARD**

1004 *See Appendix XI for written reports:*
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- 1007 **a. Report on Meeting NMISC, January 27, 2026 -Vice Chair Baugh**
- 1008 **b. Report on Meeting with Explora, February 4, 2026 - Vice Chair Baugh**
- 1009 **c. Report on Meeting with SIPI's Environmental and Biology Department, February**
 1010 **11, 2026 - Vice Chair Baugh**

- 1011 d. Report on the SVRAA Comisionado Meeting, February 16, 2026 - Director Russo
1012 Baca
1013 e. Report on Representative Vasquez Ag Advisory Group, February 17, 2026 -
1014 Director Russo Baca
1015 f. Report on the meeting with Maggie Hart Stebbins, Office of Natural Resources
1016 Trustee, February 18 - Director Russo Baca
1017 g. Report on Meeting with NMISC, February 19, 2026 - Vice Chair Baugh and Director
1018 Russo Baca
1019 h. Report on Meeting with Amanda Molina, Director of Communications, Regarding
1020 APS School Board Presentation with Valle Vista Elementary, February 20, 2026 -
1021 Vice Chair Baugh
1022 i. Report on Meeting with Nancy Conrad and Conrad Institution, February 23, 2026 -
1023 Vice Chair Baugh
1024 j. Report on Follow Up Meeting with NMISC and Conrad Institution, February 24,
1025 2026 - Vice Chair Baugh
1026 k. Report on Village of Corrales Council Meeting, February 24, 2026 - Director Lopez
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1028 Director Lopez attended the meeting with Mr. Casuga, and Mr. Zamora gave an update
1029 on the siphon project and the water situation. He said most of the farmers appreciated
1030 the information but are still not sure if the completion date will be there.
1031

- 1032 l. Report on the Meeting with CESOSS regarding the Primera Aqua Event, February
1033 27, 2026 - Director Russo Baca
1034 m. Report on RFP Committee Meeting, March 2, 2026 - Chair Kelly
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1036 Refer to item 10a.
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- 1038 n. Report on Meeting with Valle Vista Elementary, March 3, 2026 - Vice Chair Baugh
1039 o. Report on Albuquerque Public Schools Board Meeting, March 4, 2026 - Vice Chair
1040 Baugh
1041 p. Report on the Rio Grande 6-Pueblo Coalition Meeting, March 5, 2026 - Director
1042 Jiron
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1044 Director Jiron shared they appointed a new chairman and new vice-chair, but the
1045 secretary stayed the same. He said it was different having new members conduct the
1046 meeting but there were a lot of good and tough questions asked. It stated it was a good
1047 meeting and good turnout.
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1049 Chairman Kelly asked what the primary concerns were from the questions.
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1051 Director Jiron answered prior and paramount waters, storage, and another possible
1052 bypass coming at the beginning of April from BOR.
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1054 Director Russo Baca and Vice Chair Baugh submitted written reports labeled as
1055 Appendix XI.
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1057 Director Dunning made the **MOTION TO APPROVE THE REPORTS FROM THE**
1058 **BOARD.** Seconded by Chairman Kelly. The **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**
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1060 Chairman Kelly shared the Personnel Committee will get together to work through Mr.
1061 Casuga's evaluation like they did two years ago by bringing in board level goals and give

1062 recommendations on it, as well as give other board members a chance to add input.
 1063 They plan to wrap it up at the April meeting. He said they need to get together soon.
 1064

1065 Director Dunning made the **MOTION TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION at 7:05 pm.**
 1066 Seconded by Vice Chair Baugh. Rollcall vote was administered with all members voting yes.
 1067 The **MOTION CARRIED.**
 1068

Chairman Kelly	Yes	Vice Chair Baugh	Yes
Director Dunning	Yes	Director Russo Baca	Yes
Director Lopez	Yes	Director Jiron	Yes

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1070 **AGENDA ITEM NO. 17 EXECUTIVE SESSION**

1071 **a. NMSA 1978 Open Meetings Act, Section 10-15-1(H)2**

1072 **1. Limited Personnel Matters**
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1074 **b. NMSA 1978 Open Meetings Act, Section 10-15-1(H)7**

1075 **1. Threatened or Pending Litigation**
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1077 Vice Chair Baugh made the **MOTION TO GO BACK INTO REGULAR SESSION at 7:38**
 1078 **pm.** Seconded by Director Russo Baca. Rollcall vote was administered with all members voting
 1079 yes. The **MOTION CARRIED.**
 1080

Chairman Kelly	Yes	Vice Chair Baugh	Yes
Director Dunning	Yes	Director Russo Baca	Yes
Director Lopez	Yes	Director Jiron	Yes

1081
 1082 Chairman Kelly expressed they will be scheduling a special meeting of the MRGCD Board of
 1083 Directors for Monday, March 16th, at 10 a.m., with a regular session at the front and then
 1084 Executive Session to further discuss the matters they previously discussed in tonight's Executive
 1085 Session. No decisions were made at the meeting tonight.
 1086

1087 With no further comments, questions, or concerns, Chairman Kelly adjourned the meeting at 7:39
 1088 pm.
 1089

1090 Approved to be the correct Minutes of the Board of Directors of March 9, 2026.
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 1093 **ATTESTED:**
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 1096 _____
 1097 Pamela Fanelli, CMA, CGFM
 Secretary-Treasurer/CFO

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 1097 John P. Kelly, Chairman
 MRGCD Board of Directors

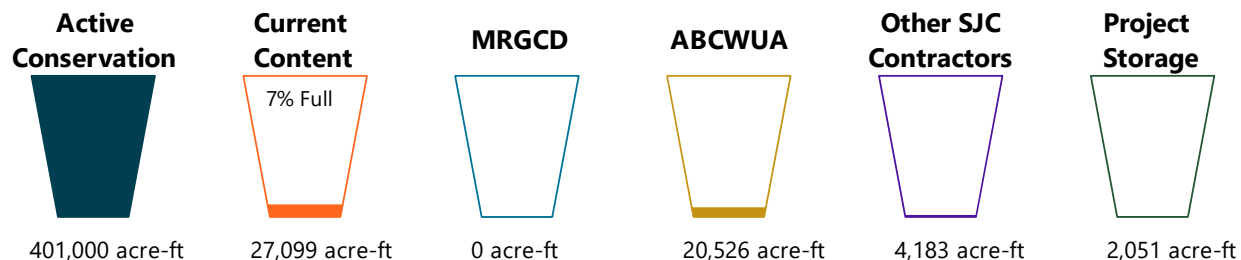
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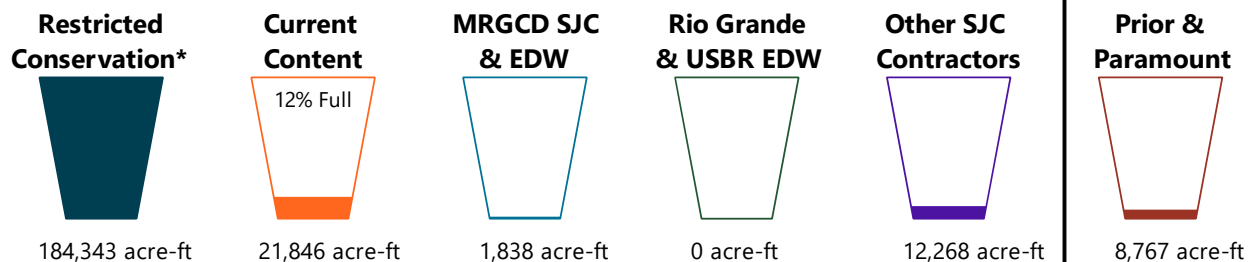
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Mar 3, 2026 data

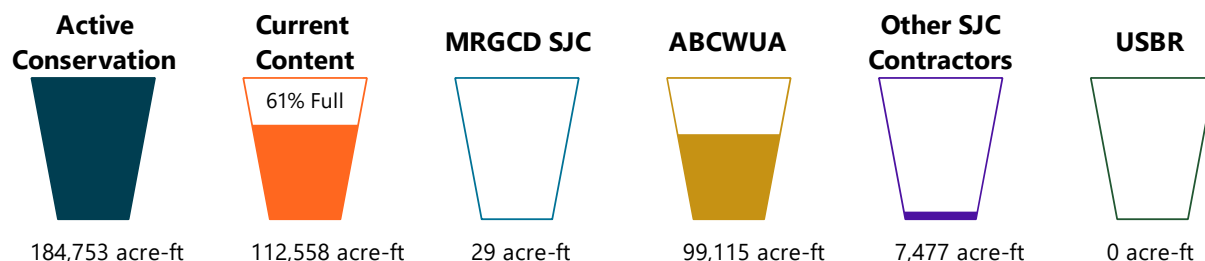
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El Vado



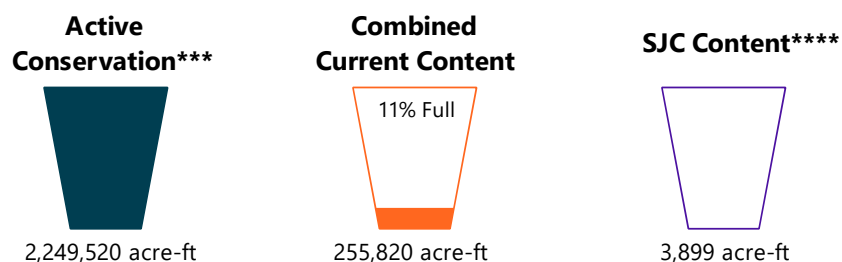
Abiquiu



Cochiti



Elephant Butte and Caballo



* Currently restricted to 25,678 acre-ft.
 ** Includes storage in both El Vado and Abiquiu
 *** Varies by time of year. Reported number is for 04/01 - 09/30.
 **** Max San Juan-Chama storage in Elephant Butte is 50,000 acre-ft.
 Total reservoir content may include incidental storage of water in transit.

MRGCD BOARD MEETING (3-4-2026)

1. Heron Summary

Content:	27,099	ac-ft	(3/4/2026)
Azotea Tunnel:	85	cfs	
Total SJ-C Inflow (2026):	668	ac-ft	
Currently Releasing:	0	cfs	
Current MRGCD Storage:	0	ac-ft	

2. El Vado Summary

Content:	21,846	ac-ft	(3/4/2026)
Rio Grande Storage:	7,739	ac-ft	
MRGCD SJ-C Storage:	1,838	ac-ft	
P&P:	7,739	ac-ft	
Other SJ-C Contractors:	12,269	ac-ft	
Current Release:	90	cfs	RG Inflow: 40 - 140 cfs

3. Abiquiu Summary

Content:	111,332	ac-ft	(3/4/2026)
MRGCD SJ-C Storage:	29	ac-ft	
P&P:	1,027	ac-ft	

Total Supplemental Water Released (2026): 0 ac-ft

Current Snow Water Equivalent for Water Year 2026 to 3/4 (% Median; NRCS SNOTEL)

Rio Chama Basin.....	52%
Upper Rio Grande Basin.....	59%
Sangre de Cristo Basin.....	34%
Jemez Basin.....	16%
San Juan River Basin.....	55%

- Storage of native inflow into both El Vado and Abiquiu Reservoirs for the prior and paramount lands of the Six Middle Rio Grande Pueblos began on January 1, 2026. Total storage is now about 8,766 ac-ft.
- Below average snowpack and warm temperatures are contributing to low elevation snowmelt and early runoff

Appendix II

MIDDLE RIO GRANDE CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District (MRGCD) has a long-standing role in the planning, development, and stewardship of land and water resources within the Middle Rio Grande Valley; and

WHEREAS, the historical survey and engineering records produced by the Ross Engineering lineage, which originated with Pitt Ross, New Mexico License No. 1, and continued through the Ross Engineering Office, Ross-Beyer Engineering Office, and the Ross Howard Company, document foundational land boundaries, infrastructure planning, and community development throughout the region; and

WHEREAS, Edmund Ross served as Engineer in charge of property surveys for the Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District during the preparation of the MRGCD's Official Plan, and his work is expressly acknowledged therein as contributing to the successful development of the Official Plan; and

WHEREAS, these historic survey records provide enduring evidentiary, historical, and interpretive value, offering insight into the early organization of land ownership, water conveyance systems, transportation corridors, and urban growth within the Middle Rio Grande Valley; and

WHEREAS, in July 2025, Cecilia Martinez Howard, wife of the late Ross Howard, contacted the MRGCD to ensure the careful preservation and continued stewardship of select historic survey materials associated with the Ross Howard Company; and

WHEREAS, the MRGCD, in collaboration with Cecilia Martinez Howard, together with her sons, Troy Howard and Jason Howard, undertook a careful review, evaluation, and digitization effort focused on preserving unique and irreplaceable survey records while improving long-term access for historical reference and public benefit; and

WHEREAS, the MRGCD is coordinating with the University of New Mexico's Center for Southwest Research and Special Collections at Zimmerman Library regarding the potential long-term archival placement of select original survey materials to ensure continued preservation and scholarly accessibility within the State of New Mexico; and

WHEREAS, this effort reflects the MRGCD's commitment to responsible stewardship, historical awareness, and the preservation of records that illuminate the shared history of land, water, and community development in the Middle Rio Grande Valley;


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that the Board of Directors of the Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District hereby recognizes and expresses its appreciation for the contributions of the Ross Engineering lineage to the history and development of the region, and acknowledges Cecilia Martinez Howard, Troy Howard, and Jason Howard for their thoughtful stewardship and cooperation in preserving these historically significant survey records.

BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED, that the MRGCD affirms its commitment to preserving, documenting, and facilitating appropriate long-term archival stewardship and appropriate public access to these materials as part of its ongoing responsibility to honor and protect the historical foundations of the Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Board of Directors of the Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District has caused this Proclamation to be adopted on this 9th day of March, 2026.



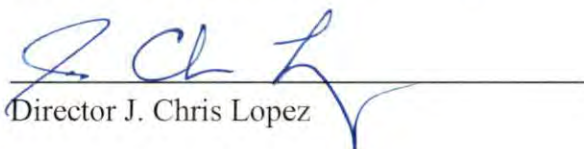
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Chairman, Board of Directors



Vice Chairman Colin T. Baugh




Director Karen Dunning



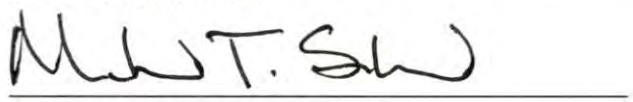
Director J. Chris Lopez



Director Stephanie Russo Baca



Director Brian Jiron



Director Michael T. Sandoval



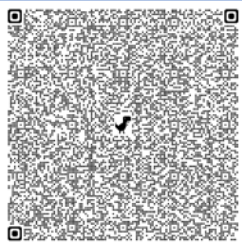
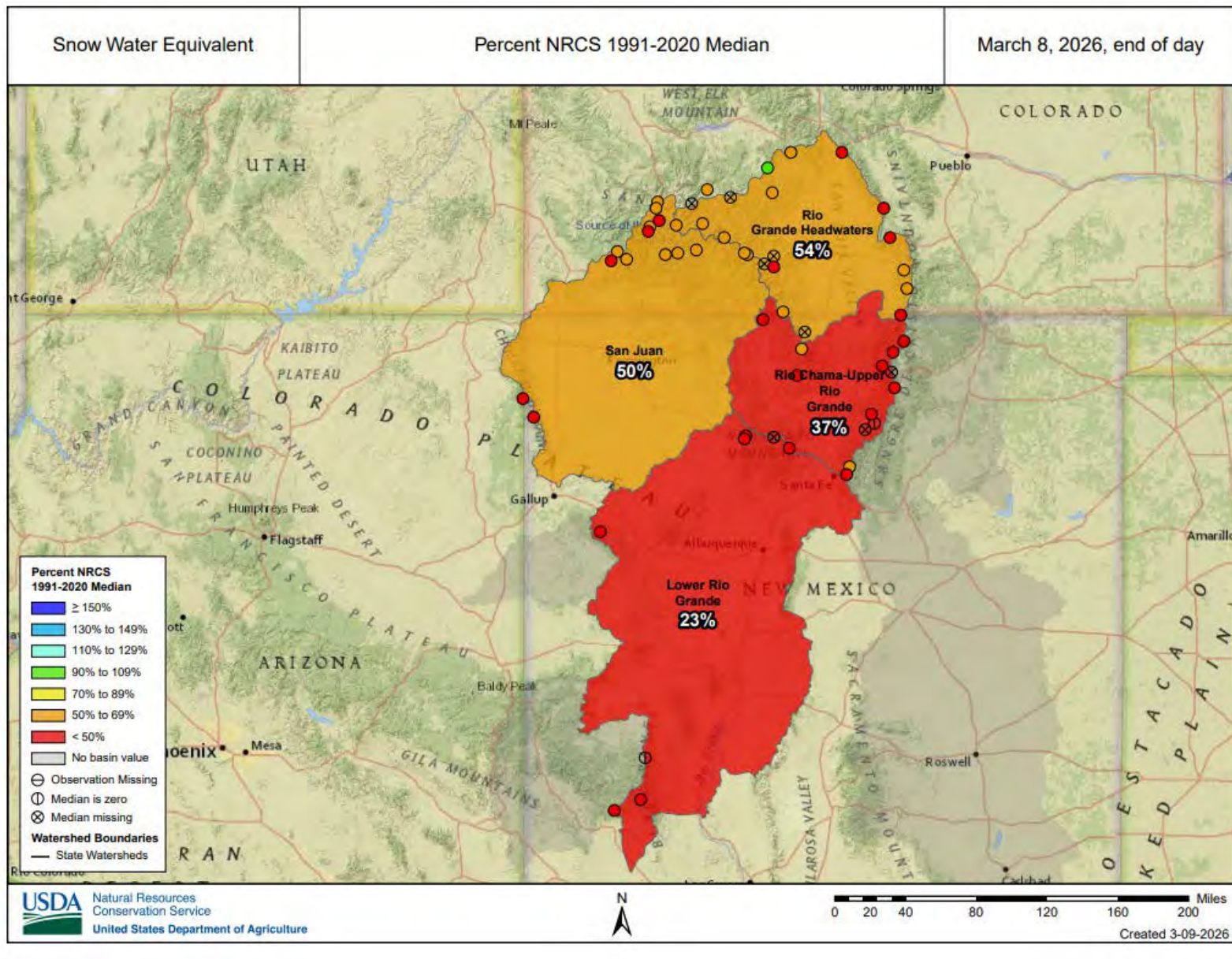
Water Supply Update

Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District Board of Directors Meeting

Prepared and Presented by: Anne Marken

Date: 3/9/2026





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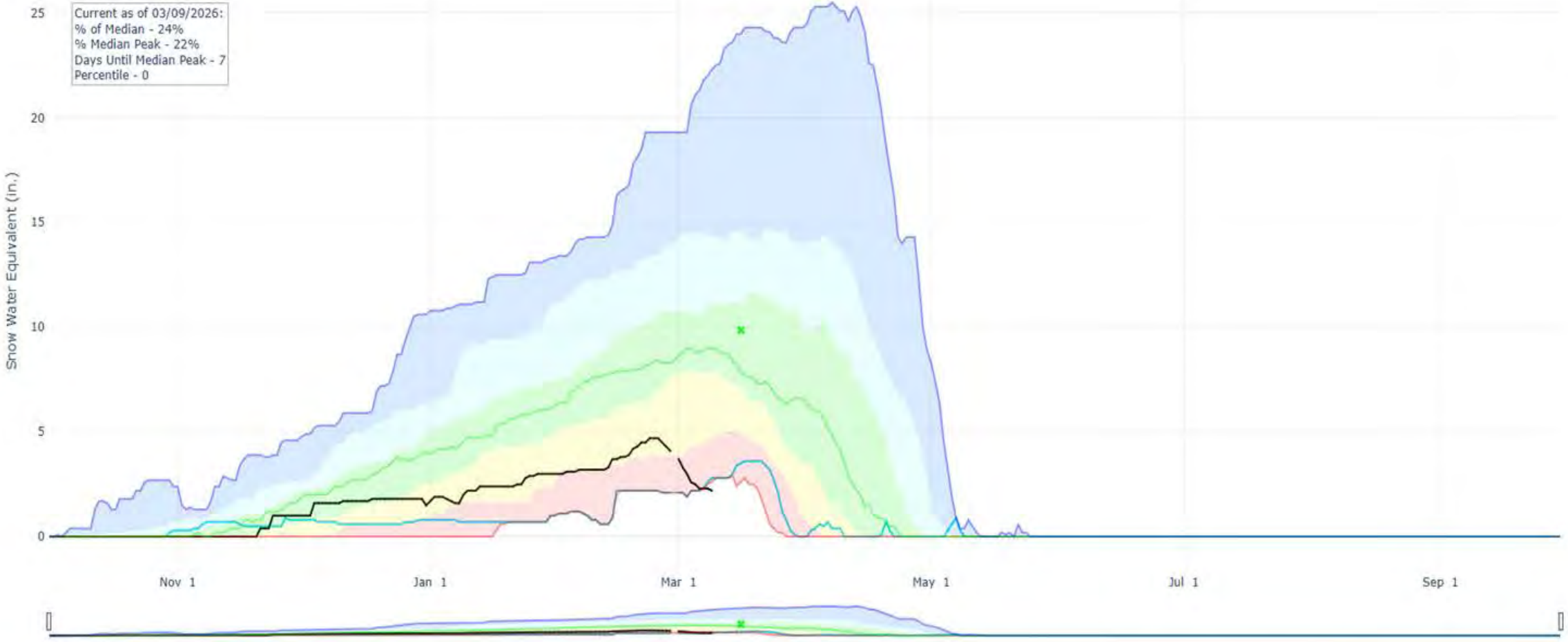
CHAMITA, NM (394) SNOW WATER EQUIVALENT

Reset Range

[Link to data: CSV / JSON](#)

Current as of 03/09/2026:
% of Median - 24%
% Median Peak - 22%
Days Until Median Peak - 7
Percentile - 0

- Median Peak SWE
- Max
- Median ('91-'20)
- Min
- Stats. Shading
- 2026
- 2025



Statistical shading percentiles are calculated from period of record (POR) data, excluding the current water year. Percentile categories range from: minimum to 10th percentile, 10th - 30th, 30th - 70th, 70th - 90th, and 90th - maximum.

For more information visit: [30-Year Hydroclimatic Normals](#)

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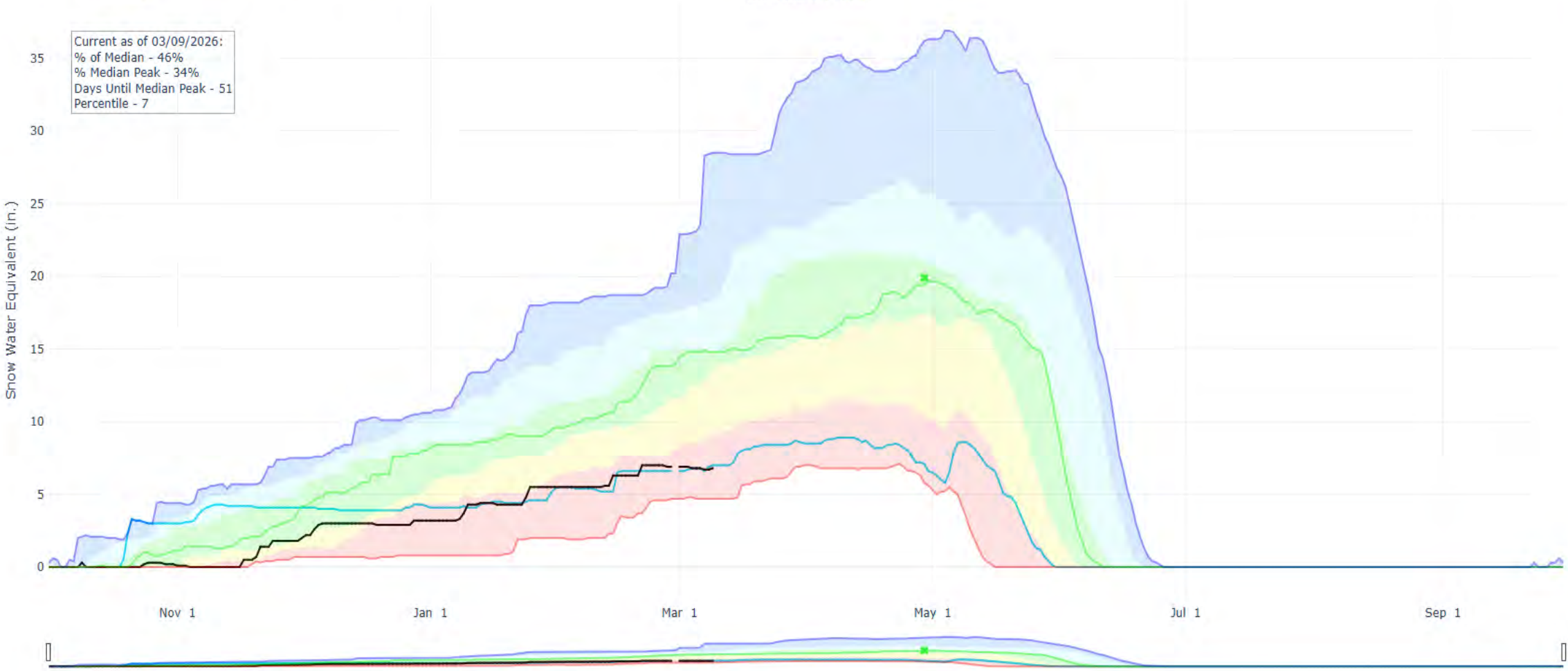
TAOS POWDERHORN, NM (1168) SNOW WATER EQUIVALENT

Reset Range

[Link to data: CSV / JSON](#)

Current as of 03/09/2026:
% of Median - 46%
% Median Peak - 34%
Days Until Median Peak - 51
Percentile - 7

- Median Peak SWE
- Max
- Median ('91-'20)
- Min
- Stats. Shading
- 2026
- 2025

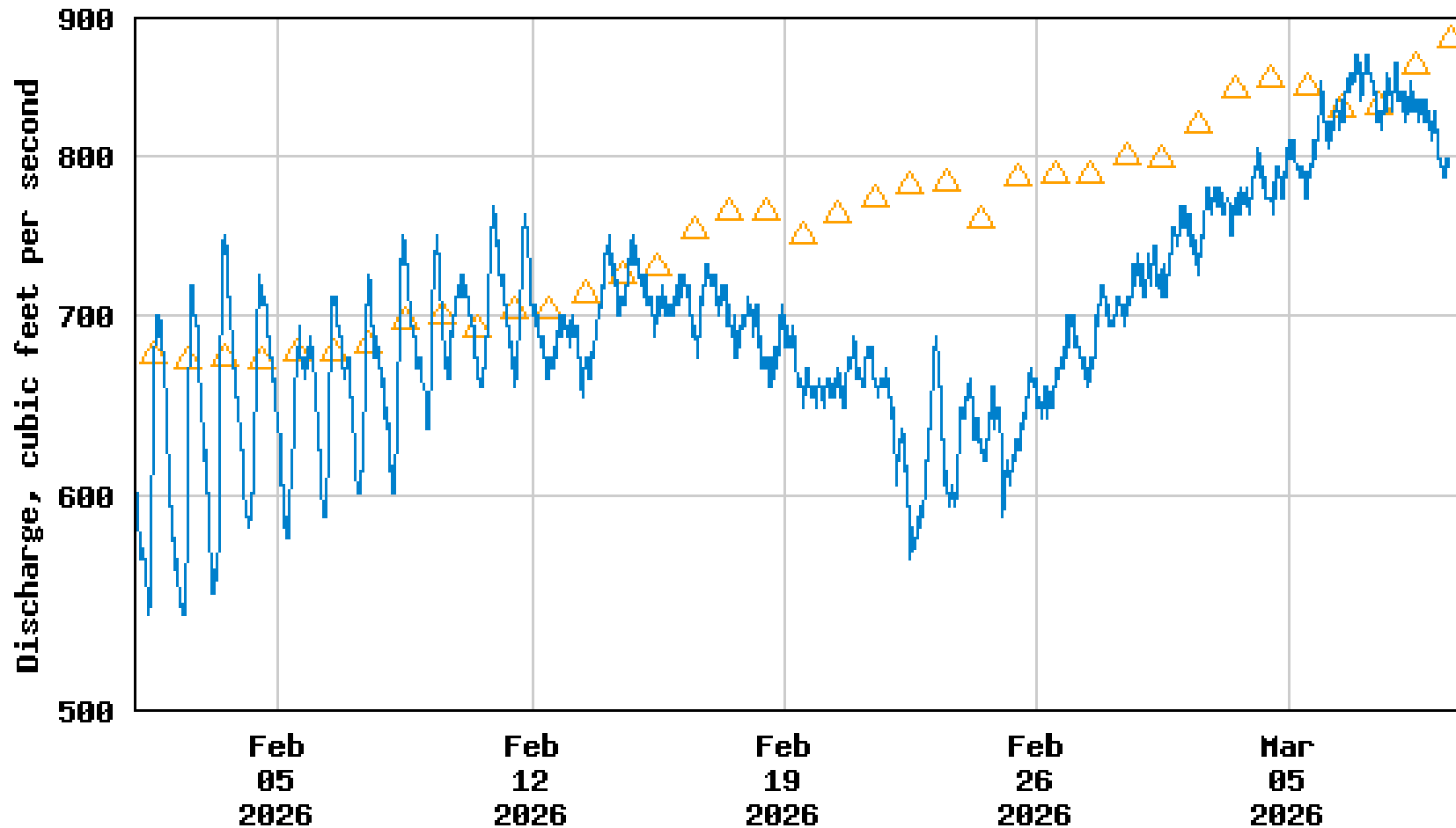


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USGS 08313000 RIO GRANDE AT OTOWI BRIDGE, NM



----- Provisional Data Subject to Revision -----

△ Median daily statistic (55 years) — Discharge



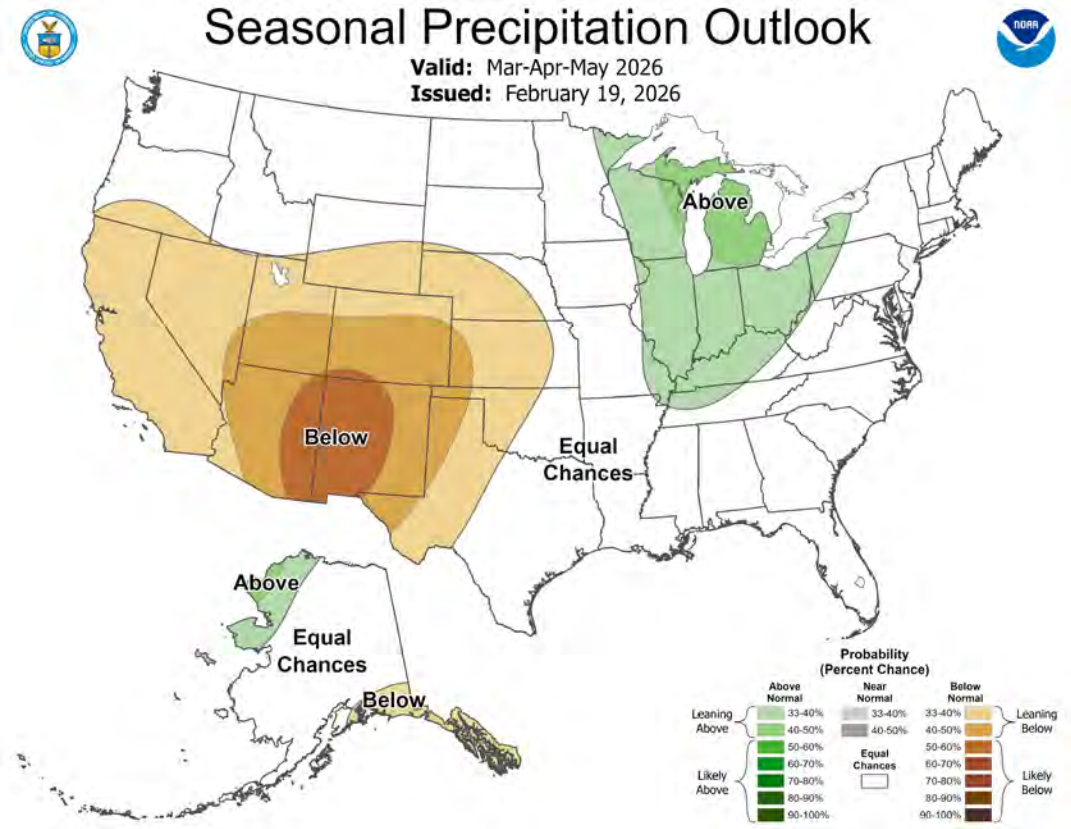
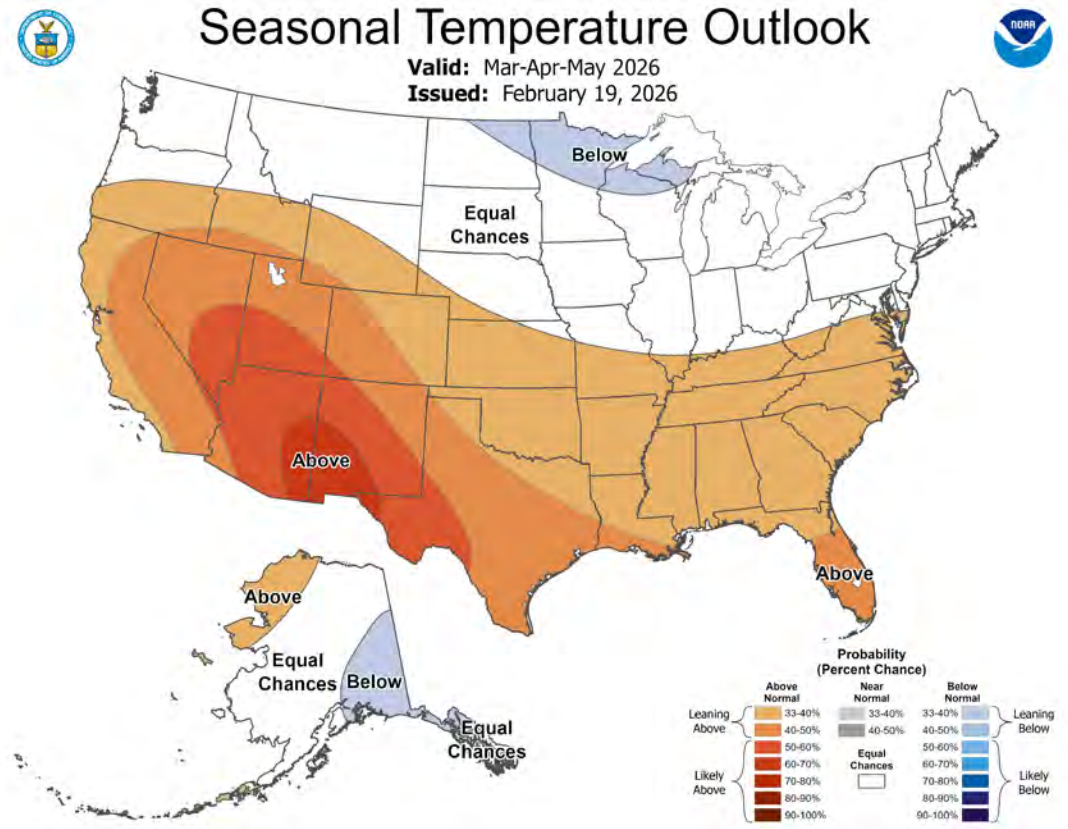
Weekly Forecast

Location	Maximum Temperature							Probability of Precipitation						
	Mon 03/09	Tue 03/10	Wed 03/11	Thu 03/12	Fri 03/13	Sat 03/14	Sun 03/15	Mon 03/09	Tue 03/10	Wed 03/11	Thu 03/12	Fri 03/13	Sat 03/14	Sun 03/15
Albuquerque	72	69	71	74	78	81	81	30	40	0	0	0	0	0
Santa Fe	69	66	68	71	73	76	77	20	40	0	0	0	0	0
Farmington	67	67	65	69	71	74	75	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gallup	67	63	65	70	73	75	75	20	30	0	0	0	0	0
Grants	70	63	66	71	74	76	76	30	50	0	0	0	0	0
Clayton	78	75	55	75	77	80	75	10	30	0	0	0	0	0
Raton	73	70	59	72	75	77	74	10	50	0	0	0	0	0
Las Vegas	70	66	60	69	73	76	73	20	50	0	0	0	0	0
Moriarty	70	65	67	70	75	77	77	40	40	0	0	0	0	0
Tucumcari	83	78	64	79	83	87	82	30	30	0	0	0	0	0
Clovis	82	75	63	76	83	87	83	30	30	0	0	0	0	0
Roswell	83	74	72	78	86	88	87	30	40	0	0	0	0	0
Socorro	76	67	74	78	82	86	86	40	50	0	0	0	0	0
Chama	57	59	58	60	63	64	65	0	30	0	0	0	0	0
Taos	65	65	63	67	71	73	72	10	40	0	0	0	0	0
Angel Fire	58	58	56	59	64	64	65	20	60	0	0	0	0	0
Los Alamos	65	62	63	65	69	70	71	20	50	0	0	0	0	0
Ruidoso	67	56	61	64	70	72	73	50	70	0	0	0	0	0
Quemado	67	55	63	68	71	73	73	60	60	0	0	0	0	0

<https://www.weather.gov/abq/TempPop>



NWS Seasonal Outlook



https://www.cpc.ncep.noaa.gov/products/predictions/long_range/seasonal.php?lead=1



Questions?



Appendix IV

MRGCD IRRIGATOR TIPS AHEAD OF THE 2026 SEASON



Know your ISO: stay in close contact with your ISO about water availability



Billing & Rights Issues: Ensure water service charge and water rights issues are resolved before scheduling



System Maintenance: Perform necessary maintenance on your on-farm delivery system for efficient irrigation



Accept Upon Offer: Be prepared to accept delivery when offered - deliveries may occur at night or on weekends



Plan Ahead: Consider forecasted water shortages when making farming & planting decisions



Stay Informed: Follow updates on MRGCD's website and Facebook page



Appendix V

Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District Board Presentation March 9, 2026



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Agenda

Scope of Work

Audit Timeline

Responsibilities

Auditor's Report

Scope of Work



Scope of Work

- Audit of financial statements for June 30, 2025
- Single audit compliance testing for each major federal program
 - ALN 21.027, COVID-19 Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds
- Compliance with NM State audit rule

Audit Timeline



Timeline

Timeline	
Entrance Conference	July 31, 2025
Planning	September 2025
Fieldwork	October – November 2025
Exit Conference	January 16, 2026
Independent Auditor's Report*	January 16, 2026
Released from NM State Auditor's Office	February 25, 2026

*Due to federal compliance supplement delays, deadline extensions to January 20, 2026 (financial statement) and February 9, 2026 (single audit).

Responsibilities



Auditor Responsibility

Our responsibility under U.S. & *Government Auditing Standards*

- Form and express opinion if financial statements prepared by management are fairly presented in conformity with U.S. GAAP.
- Obtain reasonable, rather than absolute, assurance if financial statements are free from material misstatement.
- Consideration of internal controls for purpose of determining and designing audit procedures.
- Communicate significant matters related to financial statement audit.

Management Responsibility

Management, with oversight from those charged with governance, is responsible for:

- Establishing and maintaining internal controls, including monitoring ongoing activities.
- Selection and application of accounting principles.
- Fair presentation of the financial statements and results of operations in conformity with the applicable framework.
- Maintenance of complete and accurate accounting records.
- Design and implementation of programs and controls to prevent and detect fraud.
- The governing board participated in the entrance and exit conferences and were sent the communications required by audit standards.

Auditor's Reports



Auditor's Reports

Independent Auditor's Report

- Opinion on the Financial Statements
- Unmodified – Best opinion available
- Financial statements are presented fairly in accordance with U.S. GAAP
- No audit areas where an opinion could not be rendered

Other Auditor's Report

GAGAS Report on *Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters*

- Negative Assurance
- No findings noted

Uniform Guidance Report on *Major Program and on Internal Control over Compliance*

- Unmodified Opinion
 - ALN 21.027, COVID-19 Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds

Questions?

Thank you

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Sunday / Domingo March 29, 2026 9am - 3pm

Headwaters of the Atrisco Acequia Madre - 3901 Central Ave NW 87105

Join our community in welcoming the first acequia waters of the season at our Annual Primera Agua Celebration.

This year's celebration will include an acequia blessing, danza ceremonial, festivities & prizes, and a free feast prepared by Cleo's Blue Corn Kitchen, with food provided by the Utton Center).

Bring your water containers, friends, and family to join in honoring the sacred waters that bring life to our fields, gardens, and neighborhoods.

This is your Acequia!

It has sustained our community for generations.
You are invited to help shape its next chapter.
Come learn how & share what you'd like to see at the Acequia Madre site.



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PAJARITO ACEQUIA WATER RIGHT TRANSFER PROTEST

Who's involved:

- The **Ruth A. Sanchez Disclaimer Trust** and the **Estate of Gilbert S. Sanchez** - they currently own the water rights tied to about 10 acres of farmland near Theresa Rd and Raymac Rd
- **Southwest Landfill, LLC** - the company that wants to receive and use the water at their landfill off Pajarito Road SW

What would be transferred: The right to divert about **30.66 acre-feet per year** of surface water, currently pulled from the Rio Grande via the MRGCD to the Pajarito Acequia. That water has historically been used to irrigate those farm tracts. The application would **permanently stop** that irrigation use. Pic attached.



Where the water would go instead: It would be transferred to a groundwater well (about 1,030 feet deep) on the Southwest Landfill property, for "any and all uses for landfill purposes" - industrial and commercial use.

In simple terms: The Sanchez family is essentially **selling their water rights** to Southwest Landfill. The farmland stops being irrigated, and that water allocation gets redirected to support landfill operations instead.

The protest was filed by Pajarito Acequia Commissioner, James R. Maestas on February 27, 2026 - and the window to object is now closed. One thing worth noting: this would be a **permanent** change. If approved, those agricultural water rights would be gone from that farmland forever/and are subject to be sub-divided into residential lots.

Look at this pic... It's so disturbing to see the green of the Valley vs. where they want to transfer this water.



Atrisco Acequia Madre Education & Stewardship Initiative

Briefing for the Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District (MRGCD) Board
Center for Social Sustainable Systems (CESOSS)
03/09/2026

1. Purpose of Briefing

This briefing outlines how the Atrisco Acequia Madre initiative supports the shared goals outlined in the Memorandum of Agreement between CESOSS and the Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District.

Focus:

- Community education about irrigation systems and water stewardship
- Preservation of agricultural lands and acequia traditions
- Youth engagement in land and water education
- Public outreach aligned with MRGCD mission

2. Alignment with the MRGCD–CESOSS Memorandum of Agreement

The Memorandum of Agreement establishes collaboration to increase public awareness and education regarding agricultural lands, irrigation systems, and water stewardship in the Middle Rio Grande Valley.

Key elements of the agreement include:

- Public outreach and education on land and water conservation
- Community workshops and educational events
- Promotion of agricultural viability and ecosystem resiliency
- Youth education regarding farmland and water preservation
- Coordination with MRGCD staff and regional partners

3. The Atrisco Acequia Madre Project

Atrisco represents one of the oldest agricultural landscapes in the Middle Rio Grande Valley. The Acequia Madre system reflects centuries of irrigation knowledge and community water governance.

- A living example of acequia irrigation infrastructure
- A landscape connected to historic farming traditions

- An opportunity for public education about irrigation systems
- A location accessible to South Valley schools and community members

4. Proposed Educational Activities

The Atrisco Acequia initiative will function as a community learning site supporting the goals of the MRGCD–CESOSS partnership.

- Acequia irrigation demonstrations and interpretation
- Community workshops on water stewardship and agricultural practices
- Youth education programs connected to local schools
- Acequia Walk and Talks and field learning events
- Educational materials and media outreach highlighting irrigation knowledge

5. Benefits for the Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District

- Expanded public understanding of irrigation systems
- Support for preservation of agricultural lands within the district
- Opportunities for youth education about water stewardship
- Community engagement aligned with district mission
- Strengthening partnerships across the Middle Rio Grande Valley

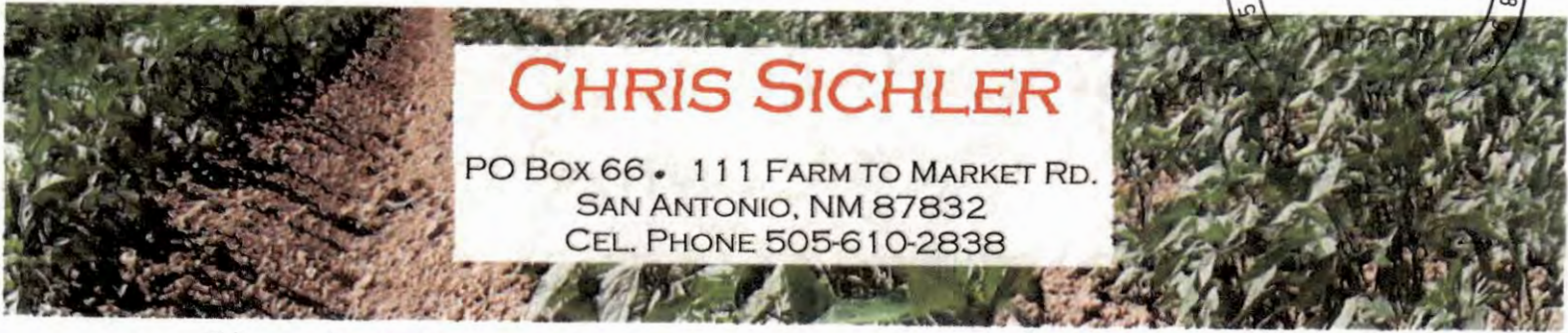
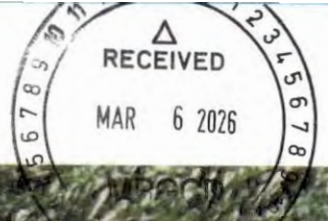
6. CESOSS Education Programs

- Ciclos de la Tierra educational framework
- Acequia workshops and community outreach
- Acequia Walk and Talks across the South Valley
- Youth leadership and agricultural education programs
- Community events such as Primera Agua celebrations

7. Next Steps for Collaboration

- Organize the Primera Agua 2026
- Continue coordination with MRGCD staff on educational outreach
- Explore opportunities for irrigation interpretation at the Atrisco site
- Develop additional workshops focused on water stewardship
- Strengthen partnerships with schools and regional organizations
- Share annual reports and progress updates as outlined in the agreement

Appendix VIII
INFORMATIONAL ONLY



February 21, 2026

Mr. Scott Cameron
Acting Bureau of Reclamation Commissioner
Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation
1849 C St NW
Washington, DC 20240

Dear Mr. Cameron,

I am a farmer in the Middle Rio Grande Valley of New Mexico, and along with other farmers here in the valley, I am asking for your help. We are extremely frustrated with a Bureau of Reclamation staff here in the Middle Rio Grande Valley (MRGV) that does not appear to be concerned with the magnitude of our problems or plight. Please allow me to explain.

Here in the MRGV we are subject to a compact between the states of Colorado, New Mexico, and Texas. New Mexico is required to send a share of Rio Grande water to Texas every year. Since 2019 the state of New Mexico has been underdelivering water and as a result has incurred a compact debt of 130,000 acre feet (af) of water owed to Texas. Because of the debt to Texas as outlined in the compact, farmers may not store water for irrigation in an upstream reservoir (El Vado). Said Reservoir is currently operated and maintained by the US Bureau of Reclamation (BoR) and was built by the Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District (MRGCD) to store water for irrigation in the 1930s. (The manner in which BoR has maintained El Vado is another issue of concern, however, it would require an entire other letter to address.) If the debt exceeds 200,000 af farmers in the MRGV may be required to quit diverting irrigation water from the Rio Grande until that debt is relieved. The problem isn't a lack or overuse of water but rather

an efficient way to deliver it. The task of maintaining a river system that can efficiently deliver New Mexico water to Texas is the responsibility of the BoR. Because water is not being delivered, it is causing hardship to farmers in both New Mexico and Texas.

Here is the problem. The BoR is responsible for river maintenance that ensures that water can move efficiently through the MRGV and be delivered to Texas. The BoR has claimed that they can move 5,000 cfs of water through the MRGV. The river was designed and has in the past moved 10,000 cfs of water, but when it comes right down to it, because of overgrown vegetation in the riverbed, not more than 3,500 cfs can be moved through the MRGV without threatening neighboring communities with flooding. The vegetation in the river system uses more water through evapotranspiration than agriculture itself. We as farmers along with the MRGCD which delivers our water to our farms has been asking the BOR to do a better job at river maintenance for more than two decades, but our requests have gone unanswered.

Another request that has fallen on deaf ears by the BoR is that they use the Low Flow Conveyance Channel (LFCC) to help us deliver compact water from New Mexico to Texas. The LFCC was built in the 1950s to do exactly that. In 1953 the state of New Mexico had a water debt to Texas of 500,000 af. Congress approved funding to build the LFCC which is a deep channel that carries a lot of water through a very riparian, silt-laden, part of the MRGV and thus efficiently delivering it to Elephant Butte reservoir (Texas). By 1973 using the LFCC, and at the same time increasing agricultural acreage in the MRGV, the debt to Texas was repaid. It was estimated that the LFCC saved as much as 60,000 af of water per year. This is a very efficient structure that was rehabilitated in the 90s and is still in a very usable condition. The LFCC can easily be operated in an environmentally responsible way, as the upper reaches of the MRGV are operated, but the BOR refuses to use it. The MRGCD has taken over some uses of the LFCC, but the use of delivering water, while under negotiation for many years with BoR and constant foot dragging by BoR staff, has not been approved. Farmers are being held responsible for compact under deliveries which we have no control over. If the state of New Mexico is going to get out of water debt to the state of Texas we have to be able to use the LFCC.

We farmers of the MRGV feel that time is of the essence and this debt cannot continue to grow. Our livelihoods are at stake. We are asking that you as commissioner

or one of your trusted staff come to the MRGV of New Mexico and investigate as to why the BOR staff here have neglected their task of river maintenance for efficient water delivery and the use of LFCC which is a proven tool for the same. Why are they not doing the job they are tasked with? It seems that the Staff of the BOR in the MRGV give more consideration as to whether their actions provide job security for themselves rather than if they are helping the people they are tasked with serving. Our valley is made up of small family farms and we desperately need your help.

Respectfully,

CHRIS SICHLER



In collaboration with the undersigned MRGV farmers:

Snake Ranch, LLC

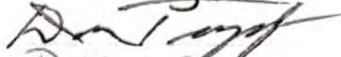
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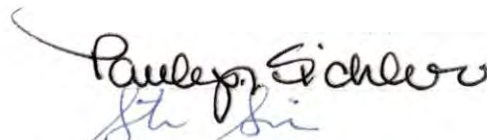

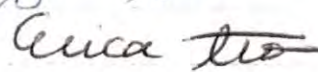
Tripp Farms

Kimberly Gonzales

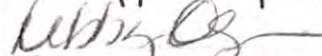


Debby Elguin

Robert Elguin

Don Tripp NM Speaker of the House, retired



CC:

Mr. Doug Burgum, Secretary of the Interior

Mr. Jason Casuga, CEO/Chief Engineer of the MRGCD

Senator Martin Heinrich

Senator Ben Ray Luján

Congresswoman Melanie Standsbury

Representative Gabriel Vasquez

Congresswoman Teresa Leger Fernandez

Attachment: Additional MRGV farmer signatures.

We the undersigned are in collaboration with the above letter written by Chris Sichler.

Travis Harris
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Dennis Harris
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Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

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Don Freuekamp

Jeanne Dixon

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Linda Rosales

MARIO ROSALES

JAMES MARTIN

Catherine Martin

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Francie Durand

Steven DURAND

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Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

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Appendix IX

New Mexico Office of the State Engineer / Interstate Stream Commission



3.0 AF/AC Duty Farm Delivery Requirement

Nat Chakeres, General Counsel

March 9, 2026



3.0 FDR: 1918 Surface Water Regulations

Article VI, Section 29 of the 1918 Surface Water Regulations states, in part:

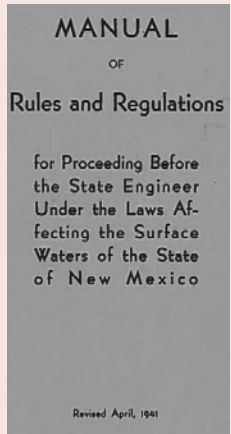
“It has been generally demonstrated by state, private and government tests to be reasonably conclusive that any claim for greater than an equivalent of **a net duty of three acre feet of water per acre is excessive**, and therefore, contrary to the constitution and law of New Mexico...so that in the issuance of permits or licenses to appropriate water for irrigation, or in the adjudication of rights to use water for such purpose, the amount allowed should not be in excess of the equivalent of three acre feet of water per acre delivered on the land[.]”

§29. (Code, 5655, 5682, 5702, 5664; Art. XVI, N. M. Const.)

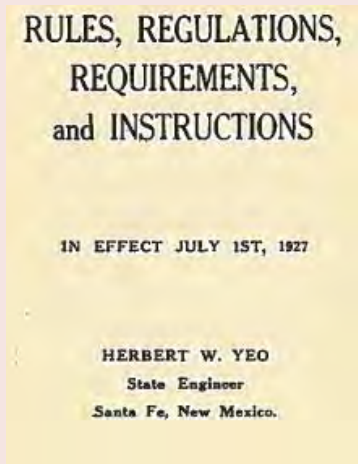
It has been generally demonstrated by state, private and government tests to be reasonably conclusive that any claim for greater than an equivalent of a net duty²² of three acre feet of water per acre is excessive, and, therefore, contrary to the constitution and laws of New Mexico, which limit all water rights to the extent and under the condition of actual useful or beneficial purposes, so that in the issuance of permits¹¹ or licenses²⁰ to appropriate water for irrigation,¹ or in the adjudication of rights to use water for such purpose, the amount allowed should not be in excess of the equivalent of three acre feet of water per acre delivered on the land, except that in extreme or unusual cases where it is conclusively demonstrated that such a duty would work material hardship, the unit may be adjusted to suit such specific conditions; Provided, that the rate of delivery shall not be greater than one cubic foot of water per second for each seventy acres served; Provided, however, that for works storing or diverting particularly flood or torrential flow the State Engineer may allow the construction of works to an efficient capacity, but the use of water shall not be in excess of the equivalent duty allowed under the permit as provided by this article. (See Art. VII.)



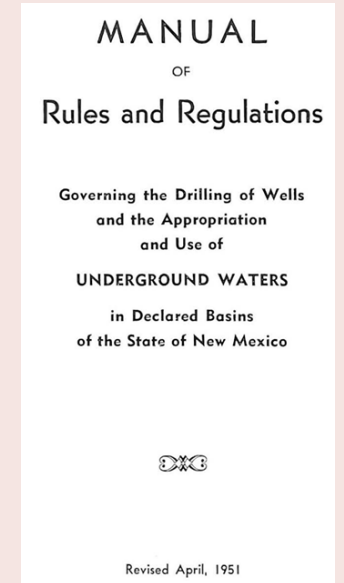
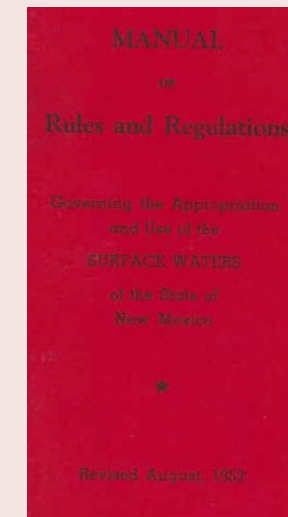
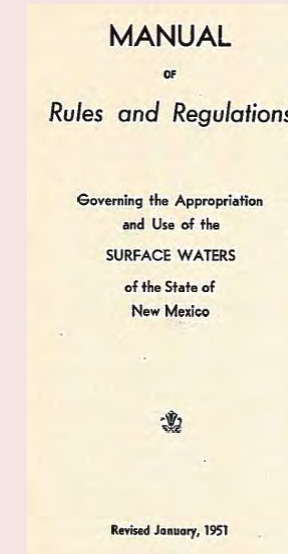
3.0 FDR: OSE Regulations



The 3.0 FDR requirement remained in all iterations of the OSE surface water rules through at least 1953 (when they were recompiled in a different format), and was also present in the 1951 groundwater regulations.



This means that any new appropriations or changes to water rights that occurred during this period were subject to this requirement.



3.0 FDR: MRGCD's *Report of the Chief Engineer*



MRGCD's *Report of the Chief Engineer* (1928) acknowledges the 3.0 FDR as required by the regulations, and incorporated that FDR in its engineering calculations (see, e.g., pages 197 and 208):

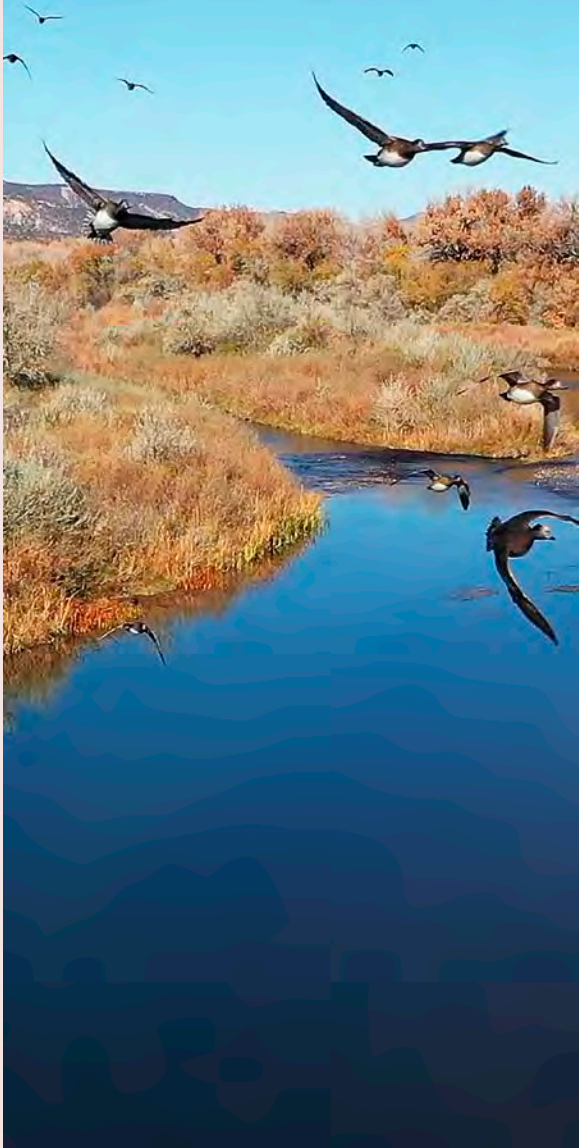
The net irrigable area of the project as it appears in the Official Plan of the Conservancy District, as approved by the Court August 15, 1928, is as follows:

Cochiti Division	13,000 Acres
Albuquerque Division	37,205 Acres
Belen Division	57,399 Acres
Socorro Division	15,661 Acres
Total	123,265 Acres

Based on records of the Mesilla Valley (a part of the U. S. Rio Grande Project) the following assumptions are made:

- (a) Total Annual Consumptive use of river water 3.9 acre feet per acre irrigated (includes river losses).
- (b) Drainage return 2.4 acre feet per acre.
(Except in Cochiti Division where drainage is not so necessary, and where the assumed return is less.)
- (c) Delivery on lands 3.0 acre feet per acre.
- (d) River losses, considered in addition to above, both by evaporation from water surface and by seepage to lands not included in District.

Updates and Ongoing Initiatives



- **Hydrology**
 - Compact Status
- **Partnerships and Outreach to Major Water Users**
 - Data Collection
 - River Channel Conveyance Improvements
- **MRG Metering Order**
- **Legislative Session Outcomes**
 - Budget
 - Enforcement Bill

Appendix X

'25/'26 Off Season Construction Update

March 9, 2026

Presented by:
Engineering Department



Socorro Main Canal Channel Lining Phase IIB

Funding Source: WTB

Consultant Services: Wilson & Co. - \$287,495.50

Construction: Sanchez Demolition - \$6,878,359.05
(Including NMGRT)

- Progress
 - In-channel work completed February 16th
 - Substantial completion March 15th
 - Currently billed to date \$4,783,623.42 (74%)
 - Finalizing change orders and last pay application
- Work Completed
 - 1.1 miles of channel lining
 - Turnout replacements
 - New long-crested weir and check structure
 - Rubicon gate installation at 2 headings





Belen Highline Canal Overflow Structure #2

Funding Source: Fund Reserves

Consultant Services: BHI - \$85,102

Construction: Lopez Precision LLC. -
\$1,074,065.61 (Including NMGRT)

- Progress
 - Substantial completion February 18th
 - All concrete work was completed on February 10th
 - Billed to date: \$1,074,065 (100%)
- Work that has been completed
 - New overflow structure





Low-Flow Conveyance Channel Phase 2

Funding Source: ARPA
Consultant Services: Wilson & Co.
Construction: CF Padilla LLC- \$6,490,217.50
(Including NMGRT)

- Original Contract Amount: \$6,209,717.50
- Final Contract Amount: \$6,490,217.50
- Project is Complete









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Socorro, NM 87801
EOP

Loretta Road/Alameda Intersection Improvements Project

Funding Source: Capital Outlay, Capital Development Program

Consultant Services: BHI

Partner Agencies: Bernalillo County, NMDOT

- Contract Times: 160 Calendar Days, tentative signal lead time
- Bid Opening Date: February 2, 2026
- Number of Bids Received: One (under review and negotiation)
- Culvert Crossing at Nichols Interior Drain has been installed by MRGCD crew in September 2026. No MRGCD operation will be impacted, just the Open Space parking



Feeder 3 Transmission Line Phase 1

Funding Source: WTB

Consultant Services: BHI - \$286,732.37

Construction: AUI. Inc. - \$3,932,831.60 (w/NMGRT)

- Progress Schedule
 - Jack and Bore – Jarales Rd. complete
 - Ongoing concrete channel lining
 - Installation of pipe near Sabinal Lateral crossing
 - Dewatering
 - Dissipation Structure
- Lookahead
 - Jack and Bore 36” Pipe – NM109
 - 6” thick Concrete lining
 - Installation of 36” PVC pipe
 - Construct concrete dissipation structure, cip.





Atrisco Acequia Madre – CBC Extension Phase 1 Project

Funding Source: Capital Outlay

Consultant Services: Sites Southwest & BHI

Partner Agencies: Bernalillo County, City of Albuquerque Open Space, ABCWUA

Updates:

- Phase 1 Awarded to Lopez Precision LLC.
- Contract amount - \$207,823.88 (w/NMGRT)
- Issued Notice to Proceed on 2/10/26
- Completed pouring concrete wingwalls and CBC side walls on 3/4/26
- Additional Work: Strip forms, backfill, and channel reshaping





Division Projects

- Cochiti
 - Culvert replacement in Cochiti East Main
- Albuquerque
 - Tribal Road 7 Culvert Crossing Replacement
 - Riverside Drain Maintenance
- Belen
 - New Belen Wasteway Rehabilitation







QUESTIONS?



Appendix XI

From: [Colin Baugh](#)
To: [Tarah Jaramillo](#)
Subject: CTB meeting write ups
Date: Wednesday, March 4, 2026 8:26:23 PM

Hey there-please find below my write ups-please review and let me know if you need anything else

CTB

1/27 – NMISC Meeting:

Met with the New Mexico Interstate Stream Commission to discuss the Governor's water education template initiative and how it may be implemented statewide. The discussion focused on opportunities for collaboration between the ISC and the Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District. Particular attention was given to expanding outdoor acequia classrooms and flood irrigation projects on Albuquerque Public Schools properties.

2/4 – Explora Meeting:

Met with representatives from Explora to discuss a potential Memorandum of Understanding to strengthen collaboration. The conversation focused on expanding support for outdoor education programs in the Middle Rio Grande Valley. Efforts centered on developing and supporting a network of outdoor educators and expanding experiential water education opportunities.

2/11 – SIPI Site Visit:

Conducted a site visit at Southwestern Indian Polytechnic Institute with Dr. Thomas DePree and his students. The group walked into the bosque to observe the landscape and discuss watershed and irrigation systems. Discussions also explored the development of higher education water certificate programs and ways to increase student engagement in water education initiatives.

2/19 – NMISC & Conrad Foundation Meeting:

Met with the New Mexico Interstate Stream Commission and the Conrad Foundation to discuss the development of a statewide water education campaign. The conversation focused on messaging, outreach, and ways to increase youth engagement around water issues. Partners discussed opportunities to align educational initiatives occurring across the state.

2/20 – Valle Vista / APS Presentation Planning:

Met with Amanda Molina to discuss co-presenting with Valle Vista Elementary at an upcoming Albuquerque Public Schools Board meeting. The presentation will highlight the Outdoor Acequia Classroom project and its educational impact. The meeting focused on identifying key talking points and framing the project as a model for future district-wide initiatives.

2/23 – Nancy Conrad Follow-up Meeting:

Held a follow-up meeting with Nancy Conrad to continue discussions on youth engagement in water education. The conversation focused on developing a youth

advisory committee to support future programming. Opportunities for summer and fall educational programming were also discussed.

2/24 – NMISC & Conrad Foundation Follow-up:

Participated in a follow-up meeting with NMISC and the Conrad Foundation to continue planning the statewide water education campaign. The discussion centered on marketing strategies and communication approaches. Partners also discussed preparation for a potential presentation to the Governor's Office.

3/3 – Valle Vista Presentation Planning:

Met with the Valle Vista principal and community liaison to further develop the APS School Board presentation. The group discussed the presentation agenda and overall concept. The focus was on clearly highlighting the success and educational value of the Outdoor Acequia Classroom project.

3/4 – APS School Board Public Comment:

Provided public comment at the Albuquerque Public Schools Board meeting. The request was made for a 10–15 minute agenda placement at a future meeting. The purpose is to present the success of the Outdoor Acequia Classroom project and highlight other water education initiatives occurring throughout the district.

Report on the SVRAA Comisionados Meeting, February 16, 2026, Virtual

Commissioners and partners met to discuss ongoing acequia coordination efforts, shared infrastructure needs, and opportunities for collaboration among regional water management entities. Participants provided updates on current projects and discussed strategies for improving communication between the SVRAA and MRGCD. Continued dialogue focused on identifying funding opportunities for acequia infrastructure improvements and strengthening partnerships that support agricultural water delivery systems.

Report on Representative Vasquez Ag Advisory Group, February 17, 2026. Gutierrez-Hubbell House, 6029 Isleta Blvd. SW, Albuquerque, NM 87105

Representative Gabe Vasquez convened his Agricultural Advisory Group to discuss the upcoming federal Farm Bill markup and gather input from stakeholders across New Mexico's agricultural sector. Participants shared priorities related to water availability, irrigation infrastructure, conservation programs, and support for producers. Congressman Vasquez also provided an update on current developments in Congress affecting agriculture and natural resources policy. The meeting provided local agricultural leaders with an opportunity to communicate their concerns and priorities directly with federal leadership and to highlight the importance of water management and infrastructure investment for New Mexico producers.

Report on the meeting with Maggie Hart Stebbins, Office of Natural Resources Trustee, February 18, Virtual

Director Russo Baca participated in a meeting with Maggie Hart Stebbins of the Office of the Natural Resources Trustee (ONRT) to discuss ongoing restoration and natural resource management initiatives in New Mexico. The ONRT works to restore and protect natural resources affected by environmental damage through projects that support habitat restoration, improved water quality, and ecosystem resilience. Discussion included opportunities for collaboration on projects that benefit the Rio Grande watershed and the broader Middle Rio Grande Valley.

Report on the ISC Meeting, February 19, 2026, Virtual

The New Mexico Interstate Stream Commission (ISC) meeting included updates on statewide water conditions, legislative developments, and basin management activities. Staff reported on hydrologic conditions across New Mexico, including snowpack levels and reservoir storage, which remain below historical averages in several basins. The Commission also reviewed ongoing efforts related to Rio Grande operations, compact accounting, and collaborative river management projects in the Middle Rio Grande. The ISC continues to coordinate with state and

federal partners on channel conveyance improvements, bosque management activities, and long-term water planning initiatives.

UPPER AND MIDDLE RIO GRANDE BASIN KEY UPDATES

2026 Storage and Operations - Elevation restrictions at El Vado Reservoir are still in effect, where storage is limited to approximately 25,000 acre-feet. Efforts will be made to keep a minimum pool of approximately 16,000 acre-feet. As of February 1, approximately 23,000 acre feet of water was in storage, of which 19,500 acre-feet was San Juan-Chama Project (SJCP) water and 3,500 acre-feet was native Rio Grande water stored for Prior and Paramount (P&P) lands. New Mexico is expecting another year of low water supply in 2026, which will likely result in an above average storage requirement for P&P lands. The Bureau of Indian Affairs will determine the final volume of storage required to meet P&P demands in April, and P&P water will be stored in both El Vado and Abiquiu Reservoirs this year. As of February 1, just over 108,000 acre-feet of SJCP and P&P water is stored in Abiquiu Reservoir. The SJCP content was approximately 108,000 acre-feet and the P&P content was approximately 650 acre-feet.

WORK AREA OVERVIEWS WATER OPERATIONS AND RESERVOIR UPDATES

Rio Grande Compact Status - Provisional Rio Grande Compact accounting indicates that New Mexico under-delivered water to Elephant Butte Reservoir in 2025 by approximately 8,000 acre-feet. Thus, New Mexico's total accrued debit status for 2026 will be approximately 132,000 acre-feet. Final accounting for calendar year 2025 will be completed in March 2026. Elephant Butte and Caballo Reservoirs and Usable Water - According to provisional data through February 1, Usable Water in project storage (native Rio Grande water in Elephant Butte and Caballo, excluding SJCP and credit water) was approximately 225,000 acre-feet. Compact Article VII restrictions remain in place (no upstream storage in post-1929 reservoirs when Usable Water in Elephant Butte and Caballo is less than 400,000 acre-feet). Provisional data indicate that storage of all water in Elephant Butte Reservoir was approximately 213,000 acre feet as of February 1.

RIVER CHANNEL CONVEYANCE AND BOSQUE MANAGEMENT PROJECTS

Delta Channel Realignment Project - Public scoping under the NEPA process has started for this project. The public scoping process is held to get agency and other stakeholder input to help with alternatives development. NMISC, with Reclamation as the lead federal agency, held an agency stakeholder meeting at the NMISC Albuquerque office on Wednesday, February 11, followed by two public scoping meetings on February 12 at the Duranes Community Center, and on February 18 at the Socorro County Annex Building. Major Project Planning - The MRG Bureau is continuing to synchronize channel, conveyance, and operations projects with several partners. Alignment of the progress on these projects will help prioritize planning, budget, and implementation in upcoming work plan requests.

Report on the Meeting with CESOSS regarding the Primera Aqua Event. February 27, 2026, Frontier, 2400 Central Ave SE, Albuquerque, NM 87106

Director Russo Baca met with representatives from CESOSS to discuss the upcoming Primera Agua event, which will focus on the cultural, environmental, and agricultural significance of water in New Mexico communities. The event is intended to highlight the role of acequias and community-based water stewardship while promoting dialogue among community leaders, educators, and water managers. Planning discussions focused on event programming, outreach, and opportunities to highlight the importance of traditional water management systems and community engagement in water policy discussions. CESOSS, the South Valley Regional Association of Acequias, and the MRGCD invite the community to join us for a celebration marking the start of the irrigation season. Primera Agua will be held at the head gate of the Atrisco Acequia Madre at the corner of Central Ave. and Sunset Blvd. on Saturday, April 2, at 9:00 AM. Enjoy an Acequia Blessing and an Acequia Walk & Talk to share stories about acequias and our community. Local community members connected to acequia and agricultural traditions will lead both the blessing and the walk-and-talk. If you have any questions, feel free to email info@cesoss.org. <https://www.cesos.org/cesoss-events>

Report on the Land and Water Summit, March 4-6, 2026, Indian Pueblo Cultural Center 2401 12th St NW, Albuquerque, NM 87104.

Director Russo Baca attended the New Mexico Land and Water Summit, a statewide gathering that brings together water managers, agricultural producers, policymakers, conservation groups, and community leaders to discuss key natural resource issues affecting New Mexico. The summit featured presentations and panel discussions on water supply challenges, watershed restoration, agricultural sustainability, and strategies to improve long-term water security in the state. Jason Casuga presented on the final panel. Participants also discussed the impacts of drought, climate variability, and population growth on water resources, as well as opportunities for collaborative approaches to land and water management across New Mexico. <https://www.landandwatersummitnm.org/index.php/the-2026-land-and-water-summit/>

**MINUTES OF THE
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
MIDDLE RIO GRANDE CONSERVANCY DISTRICT**

MARCH 16, 2026 - 10:00 A.M.

Directors having been duly notified; Chairman Kelly called the special meeting to order at 10:15 am.
The following Directors and Staff were present:

DIRECTORS

John P. Kelly, Chair	Present
Colin T. Baugh, Vice Chair	Present
Brian Jiron, Director	Present
Stephanie Russo Baca, Director	Present
J. Chris Lopez, Director	Present
Michael T. Sandoval, Director	Present
Karen Dunning, Director	Present

STAFF

Jason Casuga	Chief Engineer/CEO
Lorna Wiggins	General Counsel
Jeff Weschler	Chief Water Counsel
Pamela Fanelli	Secretary-Treasurer/CFO
Eric Zamora	Director of Technical Services
Christine Nardi	Director of Human Services
Amanda Molina	Director of Communications
Casey Ish	Director of Lands & Conservation

The following names of individuals were interested viewers, callers and/or participants:

Kaleb Brooks, Spencer Fane, LLP	Joe Holvey, Wiggins, Williams & Wesenberg, PC
John Thompson, MRGCD Lobbyist	Anne Marken, MRGCD

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1 – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice Chairman Baugh led the Pledge of Allegiance at today's meeting.

Chairman Kelly declared a quorum, and the meeting was publicly noticed. This meeting was a hybrid meeting with Director Sandoval attending virtually. Rollcall votes will be necessary for regular motions.

The meeting was a closed session for the Executive Session only and was not open to the public for the purpose of meeting with legal counsel to discuss threatened or pending litigation.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2 – APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Director Dunning made the **MOTION TO APPROVE THE MEETING AGENDA**.
Seconded by Director Lopez. Rollcall vote was administered with all members voting yes. The **MOTION CARRIED**.

Chairman Kelly	Yes	Vice Chairman Baugh	Yes
Director Sandoval	Yes	Director Dunning	Yes
Director Russo Baca	Yes	Director Lopez	Yes
Director Jiron	Yes		

Vice Chairman Baugh made the **MOTION TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION at 10:07am**. Seconded by Director Jiron. Rollcall vote was administered with all members voting yes. The **MOTION CARRIED**.

Chairman Kelly	Yes	Vice Chairman Baugh	Yes
Director Sandoval	Yes	Director Dunning	Yes

Director Russo Baca	Yes	Director Lopez	Yes
Director Jiron	Yes		

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AGENDA ITEM NO. 3 - EXECUTIVE SESSION

**a. NMSA 1978 Open Meetings Act, Section 10-15-1(H)7
1. Threatened or Pending Litigation**

Director Dunning made the **MOTION TO GO BACK INTO REGULAR SESSION at 11:47 am.** Seconded by Director Jiron. Rollcall vote was administered with all members voting yes. The **MOTION CARRIED.**

Chairman Kelly	Yes	Vice Chairman Baugh	Yes
Director Russo Baca	Yes	Director Dunning	Yes
Director Jiron	Yes	Director Lopez	Yes

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Chairman Kelly noted Director Sandoval left during the meeting.

With no further comments, questions, or concerns, Chairman Kelly adjourned the meeting at 11:47 am.

Approved to be the correct Minutes of the Board of Directors of March 16, 2026.

ATTESTED:

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Pamela Fanelli, CMA, CGFM
Secretary/Treasurer/CFO

John P. Kelly, Chairman
MRGCD Board of Directors



MEMORANDUM

To: Chairman Kelly, Board of Directors

Through: Jason M. Casuga, CEO/Chief Engineer

From: Casey Ish, Director of Lands and Conservation

Date: April 8, 2026

Re: Consideration/Approval of Executed Licenses for March 2026

Summary: *MRGCD EXECUTED the following licenses for March 2026*

1. **051-2025 – License with MRGCD Map 175 Tracts 4A2B, 6A1, 60, 76, 77 in the care of current owner(s) and their successors, and/or assigns, to maintain a 72” ø x 100’ CMP culvert crossing and 30” ø x 40’ CMP for an irrigation cross over within the Elmendorf Interior Drain right-of-way.**
2. **086-2025 – License with Vero Fiber Networks, LLC to install and maintain a buried utility crossing within the Belen Highline Canal right-of-way.**
3. **087-2025 - License with Vero Fiber Networks, LLC to install and maintain a buried utility crossing within the New Belen Acequia right-of-way.**
4. **088-2025 – License with Vero Fiber Networks, LLC to install and maintain a buried utility crossing within the Peralta Main Canal right-of-way.**
5. **091-2025 - License with Vero Fiber Networks, LLC to install and maintain a buried utility crossing within the San Juan Feeder right-of-way.**
6. **121-2025 - License with Vero Fiber Networks, LLC to install and maintain a buried utility crossing within the Upper Belen Riverside Drain, Rio Grande Floodway and Albuquerque Riverside Drain rights-of-way.**
7. **225-2025 - License with Gigapower LLC to install and maintain a buried utility crossing within the Chamisal Lateral right-of-way.**
8. **226-2025 - License with Gigapower LLC to install and maintain a buried utility crossing within the Chamisal Wasteway right-of-way.**
9. **227-2025 – License with Gigapower LLC to install and maintain a buried utility crossing within the Derramadera Wasteway right-of-way.**
10. **294-2025 – Special Use License with Blackgap, LLC to install fiber optic infrastructure per Western New Mexico Communications for the upper and lower Socorro region.**
11. **296-2025 – License with Vero Fiber Networks, LLC to install and maintain a buried utility crossing within the Garcia Extension Acequia right-of-way.**
12. **297-2025 - License with Vero Fiber Networks, LLC to install and maintain a buried utility crossing within the Garcia Extension Acequia right-of-way.**

13. **298-2025 - License with Vero Fiber Networks, LLC to install and maintain a buried utility crossing within Feeder No. 3 right-of-way.**
14. **299-2025 - License with Vero Fiber Networks, LLC to install and maintain a buried utility crossing within the Sanchez Acequia right-of-way.**
15. **300-2025 - License with Vero Fiber Networks, LLC to install and maintain a buried utility crossing within the Sanchez Acequia right-of-way.**
16. **301-2025 - License with Vero Fiber Networks, LLC to install and maintain a buried utility crossing within the Tibo Feeder right-of-way.**
17. **302-2025 - License with Vero Fiber Networks, LLC to install and maintain a buried utility crossing within the New Belen Wasteway right-of-way.**
18. **307-2025 - License with Public Service Company of New Mexico to install and maintain an aerial utility crossing within the Chamisal Lateral right-of-way.**
19. **312-2025 - License with Vero Fiber Networks, LLC to install and maintain a buried utility crossing within the Socorro Acequia right-of-way.**
20. **313-2025 - License with Vero Fiber Networks, LLC to install and maintain a buried utility crossing within the Alamillo Acequia right-of-way.**
21. **314-2025 - License with Vero Fiber Networks, LLC to install and maintain a buried utility crossing within the Salangre Ditch right-of-way.**
22. **315-2025 - License with Vero Fiber Networks, LLC to install and maintain a buried utility crossing within the Salangre Ditch right-of-way.**
23. **316-2025 - License with Vero Fiber Networks, LLC to install and maintain a buried utility crossing within the Alamillo Acequia right-of-way.**
24. **317-2025 - License with Vero Fiber Networks, LLC to install and maintain a buried utility crossing within the Rinconado Lateral right-of-way.**
25. **318-2025 - License with Vero Fiber Networks, LLC to install and maintain a buried utility crossing within the Belen Highline Canal right-of-way.**
26. **007-2026 – License with Western New Mexico Communications to install and maintain a buried utility within the Low Flow Conveyance Channel right-of-way.**
27. **038-2026 – Special Use License with Runfit to facilitate 5 special events: Runfit Albuquerque Marathon (4/11), Viva Vino Run (5/9), Lavender Run (7/12), Sunflower Run (8/23), and the NM Chips and Salsa Run (9/13) within the Gallegos Lateral, Hackman Lateral, Griegos Interior Drain, Corrales Acequia and the Chamisal Lateral rights-of-way.**
28. **058-2026 - License with Cantrell Properties, LLC to maintain two encroachments within the Rogers Lateral right-of-way that serves MRGCD Map 41, Cannon ADDN, BLK 9, LT 13 in the care of current owner(s) and its successors and/or assigns.**

- 29. 060-2026 – Special Use License with New Mexico BioPark Society for the 39th Annual Run for the Zoo...and Walk with us Too! within the Albuquerque Riverside Drain.**
- 30. 068-2026 – Special Use License with Geosystems Analysis, Inc. for the purpose of research, monitoring of drying conditions in the Rio Grande for the River Eyes Project within the Rio Grande Floodway right-of-way.**
- 31. 073-2026 – License with Public Service Company of New Mexico to install and maintain an aerial utility line within the Isleta Interior Drain right-of-way.**
- 32. 076-2026 – Special Use License for the Town of Tome Land Grant, to access the Rio Grande Bosque for the purpose of removing dead and down wood for community purposes.**
- 33. 092-2026 – Special Use License with Lopez Precision, LLC to install a slip liner within the existing culvert within the Griegos Lateral right-of-way.**
- 34. 094-2026 – Special Use License with NV5 to conduct habitat monitoring activities for the Albuquerque Bernalillo Water Authority’s compliance with 2004 and 2012 biological opinion as referenced within their MRGCD licenses 074-2013, 075-2013 and 265-2023 within the Rio Grande Bosque right-of-way.**



MEMORANDUM

To: Chairman Kelly, Board of Directors
 Through: Jason M. Casuga, CEO/Chief Engineer
 From: Human Resources
 Date: April 13, 2026
 Re: Introduction of New Hires and Job/Title Changes

General Office

DANIEL	BARRAZA	IRRIGATION SYSTEMS OPERATOR II	03/16/2026 PROMOTION
TYLER	SWINT	IRRIGATION SYSTEMS OPERATOR II	03/16/2026 PROMOTION
CARLOS	ARMIJO	ON-FARM WATER RESOURCES SPECIALIST	03/30/2026
NICHOLAS	OLGUIN	IRRIGATION SYSTEMS OPERATOR	03/30/2026
FERMIN	OTERO	IRRIGATION SYSTEMS OPERATOR	03/30/2026

Cochiti Division

JEREMY	QUINTANA	IRRIGATION SYSTEMS OPERATOR	03/30/2026 JOB CHANGE
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Belen Division

SAMUEL	ANAYA	MECHANIC	04/13/2026
GARRETT	LUCERO	FIELD MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN	04/13/2026

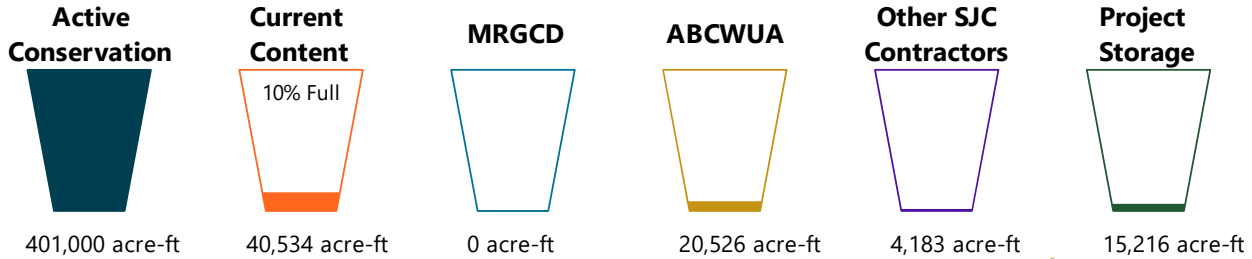
Reservoir Storage Status

Apr 7, 2026 data

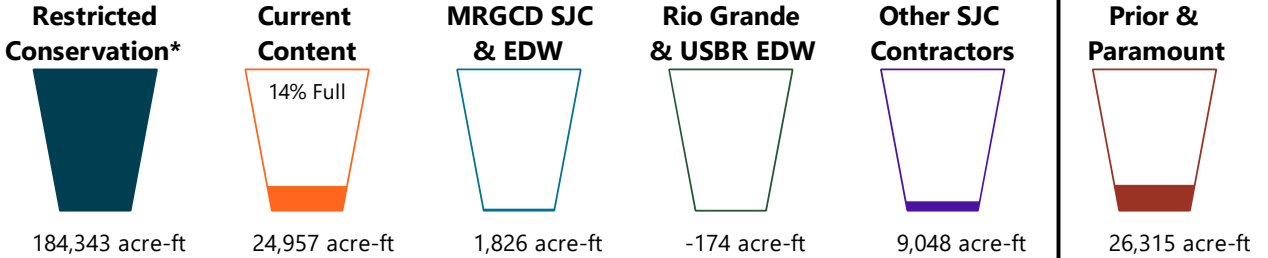


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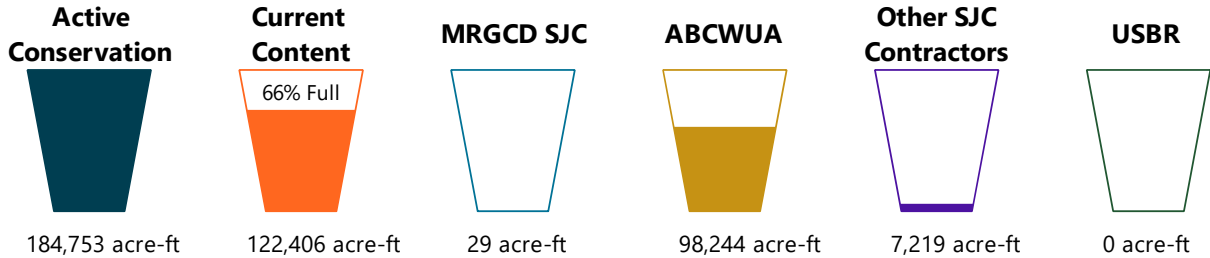
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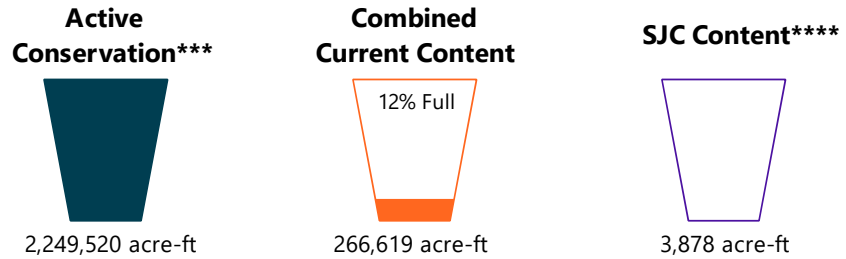
Abiquiu



Cochiti



Elephant Butte and Caballo



* Currently restricted to 25,678 acre-ft.
 ** Includes storage in both El Vado and Abiquiu
 *** Varies by time of year. Reported number is for 04/01 - 09/30.
 **** Max San Juan-Chama storage in Elephant Butte is 50,000 acre-ft.
 Total reservoir content may include incidental storage of water in transit.

MRGCD BOARD MEETING (4-8-2026)

1. Heron Summary

Content:	40,534	ac-ft	(4/8/2026)
Azotea Tunnel:	200	cfs	
Total SJ-C Inflow (2026):	14,230	ac-ft	
Currently Releasing:	0	cfs	
Current MRGCD Storage:	0	ac-ft	

2. El Vado Summary

Content:	24,957	ac-ft	(4/8/2026)
Rio Grande Storage:	14,083	ac-ft	
MRGCD SJ-C Storage:	1,826	ac-ft	
P&P:	14,257	ac-ft	
Other SJ-C Contractors:	9,048	ac-ft	
Current Release:	400	cfs	RG Inflow: 120 - 745 cfs

3. Abiquiu Summary

Content:	122,406	ac-ft	(4/8/2026)
MRGCD SJ-C Storage:	29	ac-ft	
P&P:	12,058	ac-ft	

Total Supplemental Water Released (2026): 0 ac-ft

Current Snow Water Equivalent for Water Year 2026 to 4/8 (% Median; NRCS SNOTEL)

Rio Chama Basin.....	9%
Upper Rio Grande Basin.....	16%
Sangre de Cristo Basin.....	12%
Jemez Basin.....	0%
San Juan River Basin.....	18%

- Storage of native inflow into both El Vado and Abiquiu Reservoirs for the prior and paramount lands of the Six Middle Rio Grande Pueblos began on January 1, 2026. Total storage is now about 26,315 ac-ft.
- MRGCD began deliveries in March. Due to limited supply have requested native bypass at Abiquiu to support irrigation demand.
- Below average snowpack and warm temperatures have led to runoff peaking early and declining through the month. The runoff peak on the Rio Chama was likely on March 26, the earliest date on record.
- The NRCS April forecast projects severely low streamflow across the Rio Grande basin, with most forecast points in the bottom 5th percentile of historical records. El Vado Reservoir inflow is forecasted with a probable inflow volume of 40 kaf.



MEMORANDUM

To: Chairman Kelly, Board of Directors
 Through: Jason M. Casuga, CEO/Chief Engineer
 From: Richard DeLoia, Chief Procurement Officer
 Date: March 31st, 2026
 Re: Consideration/Approval – John Deere 160P Excavator

Summary: MRGCD staff is requesting approval of a John Deere 160P Excavator, Funded through the New Mexico Interstate Stream Commission Grant #G3753.

Staff Recommendation: MRGCD Staff are recommending award to 4 Rivers Equipment in the amount of \$236,928.57. This excavator will be awarded per CES Cooperative Price Agreement Contract #2022-10-C102-ALL.

VENDOR	TOTAL
4 RIVERS EQUIPMENT	\$236,928.57

John Deere 160 P-Tier Excavator

We are requesting approval for \$236,928.57 for the purchase of a John Deere 160 P-Tier excavator. The unit will help support the use of the tub grinder in the field. Given the large amount of fire mitigation that includes the removal and processing of burned woody material from the bosque, the excavator will help to move material faster for more efficient restoration.



The image on the left is the March 2026 Unified Fire that covered just over 300 acres in Belen. Mature cottonwood forest was burned, creating a need to remove dead material for more extensive restoration with climate resilient vegetation. The image on the right shows the Megatron tub grinder processing mature cottonwood from a previous project. The excavator will help with moving material for cleaner processing.



Formal Quote

Date **03/16/2026** Contract Used: **!CES# 2022-10-C102-ALL**

Customer: **Middle Rio Grande Conservancy**

Contact: **Rusty Swint**

Address: **1932 2nd St**

City: **ABQ**

State: **NM** Zip: **87102**

Phone: **505-249-1273**

Email: **rusty@mrgcd.us**

Make: **JD** Model: **160P**

JD List Price: **\$338,571.43**

CES Discount: **32.0%** **(\$108,342.86)**

Factory Freight: **\$5,500.00**

Extended Warranty: **\$1,200.00**

Vendor Attachments:

Freight (If Applicable):

PM Package (If Applicable):

Less 4 Rivers Additional Discount:

Total Sales Price: \$236,928.57

Notes

12 Months Full Machine Warranty

Extended PT/HYD Warranty for 3 YRS/3000 HRS

42" Bucket, Thumb, Coupler Included

Quote Expires: **4/16/26!**

Accepted By: _____

Quoted By _____



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Quote Summary

Equipment Summary	Suggested List	Selling Price	QTY In Group	Extended
160 P-Tier Excavator	\$327,679.00	\$236,928.57	1	\$236,928.57
Extended Warranty				\$0.00
160 P, Powertrain And Hydraulics, 3000 Total Hours or 36 Total Months, 0 Deductible Date Quoted : 10-Dec-2025				

Equipment Total	\$236,928.57
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Quote Summary

Total Selling Price	\$236,928.57
Sub-total	\$236,928.57
Balance Due	\$236,928.57

Salesperson : X _____

Accepted By : X _____

Selling Equipment

Quote # 1392627
Customer MIDDLE RIO GRANDE CONSERV

160 P-Tier Excavator

QTY In Group : 1

Equipment Notes

Suggested List

Hours ---

\$327,679.00

Serial Number ---

Selling Price

Stock Number ---

\$236,928.57

PUK Parent Serial #

Discount Amount

(\$96,792.43)

Equipment Summary

Code	Description	Qty	List Price	Adjusted Selling Price
04D0FF	160 P-Tier Excavator	1	\$282,260.00	\$282,260.00

Base / Options

Code	Description	Qty	List Price	Discount %	Discount \$	Adjusted Selling Price
0202	United States	1	\$0.00	0.0%	\$0.00	\$0.00
0259	English	1	\$0.00	0.0%	\$0.00	\$0.00
0603	Level 3 Includes: - Seat, Heated Air-Suspension - Deluxe Front LED Worklights - Chrome Exhaust	1	\$4,629.00	0.0%	\$0.00	\$4,629.00
1100	Rear Camera System	1	(\$1,443.00)	0.0%	\$0.00	(\$1,443.00)
170K	JDLink™ Includes integrated cab wiring harness, antenna, and JDLink Modem (MTG). JDLink connectivity is enabled separately through the JDLink website. Connectivity service is subject to country availability.	1	\$0.00	0.0%	\$0.00	\$0.00
2000	Less Grade Reference Ready Mounts	1	\$0.00	0.0%	\$0.00	\$0.00
4070	John Deere PowerTech PSS 4.5 L meets FT4/EU Stage IV Emissions	1	\$0.00	0.0%	\$0.00	\$0.00
6667	One Piece Boom w /Arm Cyl. and Plumbing	1	\$0.00	0.0%	\$0.00	\$0.00

5.1 M (16 ft 8 in) Boom						
6719	Arm: Long	1	\$1,608.00	0.0%	\$0.00	\$1,608.00
3.1 M (10 ft 2 in) Arm with Bucket Cylinder and Linkage						
7001	Auxiliary High-Flow Lines with AFL and Auxiliary Relief Pressure Adjustment	1	\$5,370.00	0.0%	\$0.00	\$5,370.00
Includes: - Combination auxiliary hydraulic piping with dedicated stop valves for each attachment. - Auxiliary Function Lever (AFL) right-hand joystick for electronic proportional auxiliary control. - Ability to set, confirm, and adjust the auxiliary relief pressure for an attachment.						
7041	Hydraulic Coupler Ready Lines and Controls	1	\$3,337.00	0.0%	\$0.00	\$3,337.00
- Adds dedicated hydraulic lines and control circuit for hydraulic quick coupler installations.						
5702	600mm (24 in) Steel Track with Triple Semi-Grouser Shoes	1	(\$1,160.00)	0.0%	\$0.00	(\$1,160.00)
7814	42 In. Heavy Duty Bucket w/ Teeth	1	\$9,953.00	0.0%	\$0.00	\$9,953.00
42 Inch (1050mm) 1.04 Cubic Yard (0.80 Cubic Meter) Heavy Duty Bucket. Includes (5) TK400 Series Teeth.						
8124	Fuel Filter, Severe-Duty	1	\$188.00	0.0%	\$0.00	\$188.00
Recommended for harsh conditions.						
8500	Cold Weather Package	1	\$646.00	0.0%	\$0.00	\$646.00
Includes Engine Block Heater						
8501	Debris Package	1	\$2,691.00	0.0%	\$0.00	\$2,691.00
Includes Reversing Variable Speed Fan Drive - Reversing fan features selectable intervals and manual override.						

Total Base / Options	\$308,079.00	\$0.00	\$308,079.00
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Dealer Attachments						
Code	Description	Qty	List Price	Discount %	Discount \$	Adjusted Selling Price
AT452017	Hydraulic Quick Coupler (Non-Variable type) - Coupler and Controls Kit	1	\$10,899.00	23.5628956785%	(\$2,568.12)	\$8,330.88
BYT12818	Hydraulic Thumb, Progressive, Install Included, 160 Size Excavators	1	\$14,743.00	23.5629112121%	(\$3,473.88)	\$11,269.12
Total Dealer Attachments			\$25,642.00		(\$6,042.00)	\$19,600.00



Customer Discounts

Description	Discount Amount
Customer Discount	(\$90,750.43)
Total Discounts	(\$90,750.43)

Value Added Services

Description	Qty	Agreed Price
Extended Warranty	1	\$0.00
Total Value Added Services		\$0.00
Total Selling Price	\$327,679.00	(\$96,792.43)
		\$236,928.57



MEMORANDUM

To: Chairman Kelly, Board of Directors
 Through: Jason M. Casuga, CEO/Chief Engineer
 From: Richard DeLoia, Chief Procurement Officer
 Date: April 6th, 2026
 Re: Consideration/Approval – Fire Ready Dozer

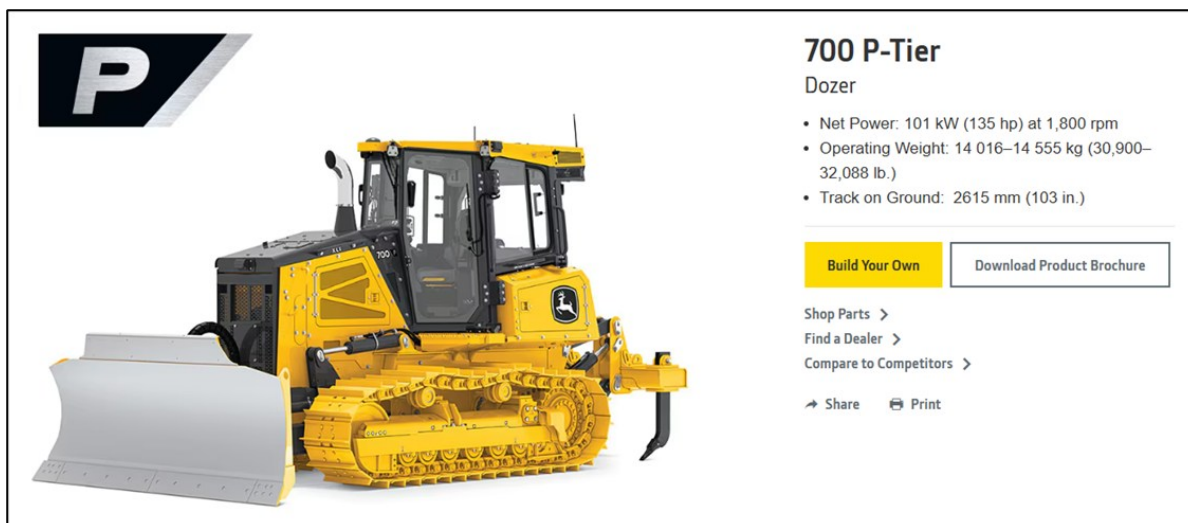
Summary: MRGCD staff is requesting approval of a John Deere 700P Fire Ready Dozer, to help support fire suppression in the Bosque. Funded through the New Mexico Interstate Stream Commission Grant #G3753.

Staff Recommendation: MRGCD Staff are recommending award to 4 Rivers Equipment in the amount of \$284,002.37. This excavator will be awarded per CES Cooperative Price Agreement Contract #2022-10-C102-ALL.

VENDOR	TOTAL
4 RIVERS EQUIPMENT	\$284,002.37

John Deere 700 P-Tier Dozer

We are requesting approval for \$284,002.37 for the purchase of a John Deere 700 P-Tier dozer. The unit will help support fire suppression activities in the bosque. At the recent Unified Fire in Belen, MRGCD was the first agency to have heavy equipment on the ground working to stop the spread of fire. This Type 2 fire ready dozer will better protect our staff on the ground and allow easier clearing of beneficial fuel breaks in an active fire event. The unit will come equipped with a full screen cab enclosure, fire curtain on windows and door, and LED lighting for added safety.



The image on the left shows the active March 2026 Unified Fire that burned just over 300 acres in Belen. A larger dozer will benefit first responders by clearing large fuel breaks allowing them to safely hold fire lines by clearing dense understory and larger diameter cottonwood more efficiently. The image on the right shows the fire on the left, a clean fire line, and the unburned bosque on the right.



Formal Quote

Date 4/2/2026 Contract Used: **CES #2022-10-C102-ALL**

Customer: Middle Rio Grande Conservancy

Contact: Rusty Swint

Address: 1931 2nd St SE

City: ABQ

State: NM Zip: 87102

Phone: 505-249-1273

Email: _____

Make: JD Model: 700P

JD List Price: \$356,362.00

CES CONTRACT: 18.0% (\$64,145.16)

Factory Freight: \$6,500.00

Extended Warranty: \$1,462.00

Vendor Attachments: \$18,823.53

Freight (If Applicable): _____

PM Package (If Applicable): _____

Less 4 Rivers Additional Discount: (\$35,000.00)

Total Sales Price: \$284,002.37

Notes _____

12 Months Full Machine Warranty

Extended PT/HYD Warranty for 3 YRS/3000 HRS

FIRE READY TYPE 2 DOZER

Vendor Attachments: Full Screen Enclosure/Limb Risers

Fire Curtains (all Windows and doors)Extra LED lights and guarding

CES CONTRACT #2022-10-C102-ALL

Quote Expires: 5/2/2026

Accepted By: _____

Quoted By _____



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Creation Date 02-Apr-2026

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Middle Rio Grande Conservancy 700P FIRE READY DOZER

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Quote Summary

Equipment Summary	Suggested List	Selling Price	QTY In Group	Extended
700 P-Tier Construction Dozer	\$356,362.00	\$284,002.37	1	\$284,002.37
Extended Warranty				\$0.00
700 P, Powertrain And Hydraulics, 3000 Total Hours or 36 Total Months, 0 Deductible Date Quoted : 02-Apr-2026				

Equipment Total	\$284,002.37
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Quote Summary

Total Selling Price	\$284,002.37
Sub-total	\$284,002.37
Balance Due	\$284,002.37

Salesperson : X _____

Accepted By : X _____

Selling Equipment

Quote # 1858125
Customer MIDDLE RIO GRANDE CONSERVANCY DIST

700 P-Tier Construction Dozer

QTY In Group : 1

Equipment Notes

Suggested List

Hours	---	\$356,362.00
Serial Number	---	Selling Price
Stock Number	---	\$284,002.37
PUK Parent Serial #		

Equipment Summary

Code	Description	Qty	List Price	Adjusted Selling Price
18A0T	700 P-Tier Construction Dozer	1	\$271,083.00	\$271,083.00

Base / Options

Code	Description	Qty	List Price	Adjusted Selling Price
0202	United States	1	\$0.00	\$0.00
0259	English	1	\$0.00	\$0.00
0351	Translated Text Labels	1	\$0.00	\$0.00
0401	XLT PAT (Extra Long Track Power-Angle-Tilt)	1	(\$1,470.00)	(\$1,470.00)
0604	Cab - Level 2 Trim	1	\$29,638.00	\$29,638.00
	Package includes premium add-ons for operator comfort. Chrome exhaust 8 LED cab-mounted lights Premium seat Premium radio 2 12V power ports Automatic Temp Control (ATC)			
	ATC allows the operator to set a specified temperature, and the fan will adjust as needed. The LED lights on Cab Trim 2 have a higher lumen count as well as doubling the amount above Trim 1.			
0950	Less Vision System	1	\$0.00	\$0.00
110A	Future Release	1	\$0.00	\$0.00
1210	Premium Radio	1	\$0.00	\$0.00
183E	JDLink™	1	\$0.00	\$0.00
2300	Less Secondary Display	1	\$0.00	\$0.00
2940	Less Grade Control	1	\$0.00	\$0.00
40A3	JD 6.8L - FT4 - Emergency Vehicle Use	1	\$1,233.00	\$1,233.00

4102	Automatic Reversing Hydraulic Fan	1	\$1,665.00	\$1,665.00
5804	22 In (559 mm) Moderate Service Shoes - Maximum Life Undercarriage	1	\$838.00	\$838.00
7030	4 Function Electro-Hydraulics (EH) for Power-Angle-Tilt (PAT)	1	\$1,588.00	\$1,588.00
7151	Standard Hydraulic Pump	1	\$0.00	\$0.00
7618	PAT Blade - 127 In (3231 mm)	1	(\$1,599.00)	(\$1,599.00)
8065	Cold Weather Starting Package Coolant heater, electric	1	\$81.00	\$81.00
8179	Quick Fluid Service	1	\$1,015.00	\$1,015.00
8030	Fire Extinguisher Bracket	1	\$77.00	\$77.00
8097	External Mounted Rear Attachments Mirror	1	\$86.00	\$86.00
8049	Engine Air PreCleaner	1	\$244.00	\$244.00
8124	Fuel Filter, Severe-Duty	1	\$609.00	\$609.00
8114	Full Length Rock Guards - PAT	1	\$4,060.00	\$4,060.00
8129	Heavy Duty Parallelogram Ripper with 5 Shank Pockets and (3) Shank/Teeth	1	\$25,883.00	\$25,883.00
8116	Full Screens for Cab	1	\$9,338.00	\$9,338.00
8126	Heavy Duty Grille Frame	1	\$599.00	\$599.00
8155	Limb Risers (Sweeps)	1	\$5,583.00	\$5,583.00
8071	Beacon Light	1	\$406.00	\$406.00
8088	Engine Compartment Light	1	\$127.00	\$127.00
8104	Fluid Sampling Ports	1	\$203.00	\$203.00
81X1	Steel Fuel Tank	1	\$5,075.00	\$5,075.00
Total Base / Options			\$356,362.00	\$356,362.00

Dealer Attachments

Code	Description	Qty	List Price	Adjusted Selling Price
	Fire Curtains (all windows and doors) Serial Number: - - - Stock Number: - - -	1	\$0.00	\$0.00
	Extra LED Lighting and guarding Serial Number: - - - Stock Number: - - -	1	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Dealer Attachments			\$0.00	\$0.00

Customer Discounts

Description	Discount Amount
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Customer Discount			(\$72,359.63)
Total Discounts			(\$72,359.63)
Value Added Services			
Description	Qty		Agreed Price
Extended Warranty	1		\$0.00
Total Value Added Services			\$0.00
Selling Price Subtotal			\$284,002.37
Total Selling Price		\$356,362.00	\$284,002.37



MEMORANDUM

To: Chairman Kelly, Board of Directors

Through: Jason M. Casuga, CEO/Chief Engineer

From: Richard DeLoia, Chief Procurement Officer

Date: April 6th, 2026

Re: Consideration/Approval – Professional Services for I.T. Assessment

Summary: MRGCD staff is requesting approval of a Professional Services Scope of Work for an Information Technology (I.T.) operational and technical environment assessment. The purpose of this engagement is to evaluate the current state of the organization's IT operations, governance, infrastructure, security posture, and supporting technologies.

This assessment will provide leadership with a clear understanding of the maturity, risks, operational effectiveness, and technical architecture of the current IT environment. The findings will include recommendations for improvements aligned with industry best practices and the organization's strategic goals.

Staff Recommendation: MRGCD Staff are recommending award to Advanced Network Management Inc in the amount of \$85,309.07. This project will be awarded per State of New Mexico Price Agreement Contract #30-00000-23-00080.

VENDOR	TOTAL
Advanced Network Management Inc	\$85,309.07



Advanced Network Management, Inc

Albuquerque, New Mexico

Debrah Bennett

debrah.bennett@anm.com

Quote #: QT-000111497

Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District

1931 Second St SW

Albuquerque, NM 87102

NM State Wide Purchasing Agreement: NM 30-00000-23-00080AF

Antonio Martinez

505-247-0234

antonio@mrgcd.us

MRGCD - IT Assessment

March 26, 2026

ANM Professional Services

Part number	Description	Qty	Price	Extended Price
PS	Professional Services Per Attached SOW	1	\$ 79,265.11	\$ 79,265.11

Sub-Total	\$ 79,265.11
Estimated Taxes	\$ 6,043.96
Shipping Costs	\$ -
Grand Total	\$ 85,309.07

ANM will honor the prices in this quote for 30 days subject to increases, if any, imposed during that period by third party suppliers. Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) products, software and services are non-cancelable and non-returnable, unless approved by the OEM.

This quote is governed by the terms and conditions of the following contract: NM 30-00000-23-00080AF. All software and/or hardware is subject to manufacturer terms and conditions.

Subscription fees are non-refundable and payment obligations are non-cancelable and non-negotiable, except in the event of insufficient appropriations made available by federal and/or state legislature, or as otherwise prohibited by court order or law.

All prices subject to change without notice. Supply subject to availability.

Taxes and Shipping costs are estimates and Customer agrees to pay the actual tax and shipping costs due as listed on the applicable invoice. Customer agrees to supplement their PO issued to ANM if necessary to authorize payment of actual invoiced taxes and shipping cost. NTTC required for non-taxable sales.

Amounts shown for Consumption-based products and services are estimates only, and Customer agrees to pay for invoiced amounts based on actual consumption.

Customer agrees to supplement their PO issued to ANM as necessary to authorize payment of actual consumption-based costs.

Expedited shipping is subject to an additional charge.

All software and/or hardware is subject to manufacturer terms and conditions.

Credit card payments will be subject to a 3% surcharge, which is not greater than our total cost of accepting credit cards and is not applied to debit card payments.

Purchase Orders should be issued to:

Advanced Network Management, Address: 4001 Jefferson Plaza NE Albuquerque, NM 87109

NM Vendor ID # 0000051498 || NM Tax ID # CRS: 02-2617770-09

Federal Tax ID # 85-0427142 || DUNS # 83-909-5247

Credit: Net 30 Days (all credit terms subject to prior ANM credit approval)

Customer Signature _____ Date _____

Customer Name (Printed) _____ Title _____





Terms and Conditions

These Terms and Conditions (“Agreement”) apply to hardware and software (collectively, “Products”) and services (“Services”) that you (“Customer”) purchase from Advanced Network Management, Inc. or its affiliates (collectively, “ANM”). Products that are manufactured by third-party vendors (“Manufacturers”) and associated Services provided by such Manufacturers may be subject to additional terms which are available at <https://anm.com/eulas-and-product-warranties/> (“Manufacturer’s Terms”) and incorporated into this Agreement by reference. Customer accepts this Agreement unless it has a separate signed agreement in which case that separate agreement will take precedence with the exception of the Manufacturer’s Terms.

1. **ORDERS.** Customer may purchase Products and/or Services from ANM by signing an ANM-provided quote (Quote), issuing a purchase order in response to a Quote, or as otherwise agreed by ANM in writing including, without limitation, in a Statement of Work (collectively, “Orders”).
2. **TERM.** If Products or Services are provided on a subscription basis, ANM shall provide them from the initial date and for the period listed in the Order (“Initial Term”). Products or Services subject to a term that exceeds 12-months (e.g. 3-year subscription) (“Multi-Year Subscriptions”) are non-cancelable and non-refundable unless Customer is a government entity subject to non-appropriation of funds. ANM reserves discretion to divide the payment for a Multi-Year Subscription into several payments as a convenience for Customer. Following the Initial Term, the Products or Services will automatically renew for a term equivalent in length to the then-expiring term (“Renewal Term”) unless notice is provided to ANM at least 30 days prior to the end of the current term. Any Customer that is a government entity subject to non-appropriation of funds may terminate Products or Services that are subject to a Renewal Term by providing ANM notice at any time prior to the start of the Renewal Term.
3. **PRICE.** Prices provided on a Quote are subject to change without notice. Applicable taxes will be added to all prices unless a proper tax exemption certificate is provided to ANM at the time an Order is placed.
4. **PAYMENT.** Payment is due 30 days from invoice date unless ANM expressly agrees otherwise in writing. A service charge of 1.5% per month may be added to all past due balances until collected. Customer agrees to pay to ANM all costs and expenses incurred by ANM with respect to recovering any undisputed amount owed to it under this Agreement including, but not limited to, reasonable attorneys’ fees and costs.
5. **SHIPPING.** ANM has sole discretion in selecting a carrier for orders. If Customer requests expedited shipping, then it agrees that ANM is authorized to upgrade the shipping and may bill Customer for all additional shipping charges. Risk of loss or damage to Products will pass upon ANM’s surrender of the Products to the transportation provider (F.O.B. Shipping Point). ANM is not liable for any delays in delivery or for partial or early deliveries. Transportation charges will be in accordance with ANM’s shipping policy at the time of shipment. Claims for Product damage or loss in transit on shipments made by a common carrier must be made by the Customer to the common carrier and in accordance with the terms of the common carrier. For deliveries made by ANM personnel, claims for shortages or damages to Products must be made to ANM within five (5) days of the delivery date. If Customer fails to notify ANM within the five (5) day period, the Products will be deemed accepted.
6. **PRODUCT RETURNS;** Products are non-returnable and the prices and fees associated therewith will be non-refundable except as permitted in this Section. Customer may return erroneously shipped Products or Products that the Manufacturer authorizes for return through its Return Merchandise Authorization process (“RMA”). Products damaged after shipment may not be returned. Customer is responsible for complying with all Manufacturer return requirements and Customer agrees that any return may be subject to an ANM restocking fee plus shipping costs which it authorizes ANM to offset against any amounts to be credited to Customer’s ANM account. If Customer has not yet paid for the Product(s), ANM may invoice Customer for the restocking fee.
7. **SECURITY INTEREST.** Customer agrees that ANM shall have a purchase money security interest in all Products supplied to Customer by ANM under this Agreement until all payments due ANM for said Products are paid in full. ANM shall have the right to file in any state or local jurisdiction such financing statements as ANM deems necessary to perfect its purchase money security interest hereunder. Upon request by ANM, Customer hereby agrees to execute all documents necessary to secure ANM’s purchase money security interest. Customer also agrees that this Agreement may be filed by ANM in any state or local jurisdiction as a financing statement (or as other evidence of ANM’s purchase money security interest).
8. **WARRANTIES.** Customer represents and warrants that: (a) employees and agents placing orders on its behalf are duly authorized to commit Customer; (b) it will comply with the applicable Manufacturer’s Terms; and (c) it will comply with applicable laws and regulations (including those pertaining to export control) related to its receipt and use of the Products and Services. Product warranties and warranties for Services performed by the Manufacturer (if any) are provided by the Manufacturer. To the extent authorized, ANM shall pass through to Customer any transferable warranties and indemnifications with respect to Products and Services performed by Manufacturers, which shall be Customer’s sole and exclusive remedy relating to such Products and Services. With respect to Services performed by ANM, such Services shall be performed in a diligent, professional and workmanlike manner conforming to the requirements of the applicable Order. WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE FOREGOING, ANM DISCLAIMS ANY AND ALL WARRANTIES, WHETHER EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, ANY IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY, TITLE, FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE, AND NON-INFRINGEMENT.
9. **INDEMNIFICATION.** Unless prohibited by law, Customer will indemnify, hold harmless, and defend ANM and its affiliates, its officers, directors, employees, successors, and assigns from and against any and all damages, costs, and expenses (including reasonable attorneys’ fees, expenses, and costs) incurred in connection with any third party claims, demands, suits, or proceedings relating to this Agreement.
10. **LIMITATION OF LIABILITY.** TO THE MAXIMUM EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW AND REGARDLESS OF WHETHER ANY REMEDY FAILS OF ITS ESSENTIAL PURPOSE AND REGARDLESS OF WHAT CAUSE OF ACTION (INCLUDING NEGLIGENCE) OR CLAIM FOR RELIEF IS ASSERTED: (A) IN NO EVENT WILL EITHER PARTY OR ITS OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, EMPLOYEES, SUCCESSORS, ASSIGNS, OR AFFILIATES BE LIABLE TO THE OTHER PARTY OR ANY OTHER PERSON FOR ANY INDIRECT, INCIDENTAL, CONSEQUENTIAL, PUNITIVE, OR OTHER SPECIAL DAMAGES; (B) THE ONLY LIABILITY ANM WILL HAVE WITH RESPECT TO PRODUCTS PROVIDED UNDER THIS AGREEMENT AND SERVICES PERFORMED BY MANUFACTURERS WILL BE THE PRODUCT RETURN RIGHTS DESCRIBED HEREIN; AND (C) THE MAXIMUM LIABILITY OF ANM WITH RESPECT TO SERVICES PERFORMED BY ANM SHALL BE LIMITED TO THE AMOUNT OF FEES PAID BY CUSTOMER TO ANM FOR SUCH SERVICES DURING THE TWELVE (12) MONTHS PRIOR TO THE FIRST EVENT OR OCCURRENCE GIVING RISE TO THE CLAIM.
11. **DISPUTES.** The enforcement and interpretation of, and all claims or disputes arising out of or related to this Agreement shall be governed by the procedural and substantive laws of the State of New Mexico, including its statute of limitations, without regard to conflict of laws principles that would cause the application of another jurisdiction’s laws to apply. If a dispute arises out of or relates to this Agreement, or the performance or breach thereof, the parties agree first to try in good faith to settle the dispute by negotiation before proceeding to litigation.
12. **NOTICES.** Any notice, demand, or request required or permitted to be given under this Agreement must be in writing and sent to the parties at the addresses set forth below via hand delivery, overnight courier, or certified or registered U.S. mail. Notices are effective upon receipt. Customer notices shall be sent to the most recent billing address on file with ANM. ANM notices shall be sent to: Advanced Network Management, Inc., ATTN: In-House Counsel, 304 Inverness Way S, Suite 400, Englewood, CO 80112.
13. **SEVERABILITY.** Any provision in this Agreement that is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be unenforceable shall be modified by said court and interpreted to best accomplish the original provision to the fullest extent permitted by law. The remaining provisions of this Agreement shall remain in effect.
14. **ENTIRE AGREEMENT.** This Agreement, together with any Order, constitutes the entire agreement, and supersedes any and all prior agreements between the parties with regard to the subject matter hereof. Issuance of a purchase order responsive to a Quote shall constitute an agreement to this Agreement. Any boilerplate terms included on any such purchase order are expressly rejected and are not part of this Agreement unless prohibited by law.

ANM Statement of Work



IT Assessment

PREPARED FOR: Jason Casuga, CEO

Pamela Fanelli, CFO

DATE: 3/9/2026

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OMISSIONS

ANM reserves the right to correct any error or omission in this Statement of Work and will do so by utilizing a Change Request process. The initial project kick-off meeting and design workshop(s) might uncover unforeseen items that impact this Statement of Work and will be addressed (if necessary) by the Change Request process.

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DOCUMENT VERSION CONTROL

Version	Date	Description of Changes	Author
1.00	3/11/2026	Initial Scope of Work	Anthony Budetti

1.0 PROJECT OVERVIEW

1.1 SOLUTION OVERVIEW

The goal of this Statement of Work (“SOW”) is to define tasks, deliverables, timeline, responsibilities, and additional terms to deliver IT Assessment for Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District “MRGCD” (aka ‘Customer’) provided by ANM.

MRGCD has engaged ANM to perform a comprehensive Information Technology Operational and Technical Environment Assessment. The purpose of this engagement is to evaluate the current state of the organization’s IT operations, governance, infrastructure, security posture, and supporting technologies.

This assessment will provide leadership with a clear understanding of the maturity, risks, operational effectiveness, and technical architecture of the current IT environment. The findings will include recommendations for improvements aligned with industry best practices and the organization’s strategic goals.

1.2 PROJECT OUTCOMES

Upon completion of the engagement, MRGCD will achieve the following outcomes:

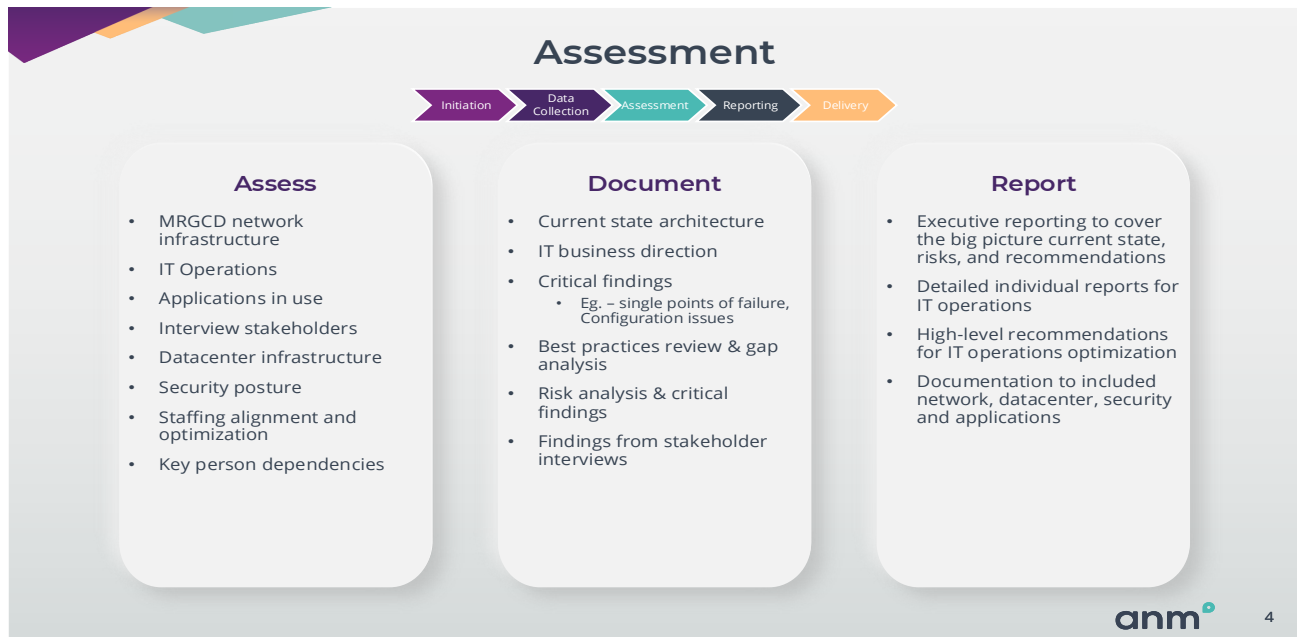
Comprehensive Visibility of the IT Environment

Develop a clear and documented understanding of the current-state IT environment including infrastructure, networking, security controls, applications, and operational processes.

Baseline of IT Operational Maturity

Establish a baseline evaluation of IT operational maturity across key domains such as governance, toolsets, infrastructure operations, and security posture.

1.3 ASSESSMENT OVERVIEW



1.4 ASSESSMENT STANDARD FRAMEWORK

ANM utilizes a standard framework to evaluate and assess a customer’s network environment. The Core Principles of this framework are listed below:

- **Scalability**– The network can support more users and systems and grow in a deterministic way i.e. hierarchy.
- **Modularity** – Each area of the network has a clear, identifiable function.
- **Flexibility** – The network can be modified, and features added without a forklift upgrade.
- **Stability** – The network has a deterministic flow of traffic in a normal state and converges quickly in the event of failure.
- **Resiliency** – The network can recover from failures without human intervention.
- **Simplicity** – The architecture of the network can be easily understood by multiple audiences, most importantly, those who support it.
- **Performance** – The network provides the throughput to support organizational requirements.
- **Service-oriented** – The network enables the organization it serves to deploy new services versus presenting an obstruction.
- **Security** – The network is not arranged in a way that leaves an organization’s people, data or systems vulnerable to attackers. In modern networks, we should transition our network architecture to be more in-line with zero trust principles with controls aligned with an organization’s mission, capabilities, budget, and risk profile. An example of this is to assume breach and deploy segmentation between endpoints, as well as between endpoints and critical assets such as applications.

2.0 SCOPE

The following components are in-scope for each applicable service or phase in the project and will be planned and reviewed as part of this assessment.

2.1 ASSESSMENT AND DOCUMENTATION

- Sites
 - MRGCD Main Office – Albuquerque, NM
 - Field Offices:
 - Albuquerque Division
 - Belen Division
 - Cochiti Division
 - Socorro Division
- Infrastructure
 - 3 Cisco Switches
 - 1 Cisco C8200 Router
 - 5 Barracuda Firewalls
 - 3 Dell R440 Servers
 - 1 Datto Backup Appliance
- Departments

<i>Department</i>	<i>Employee Count</i>
General Office	13
Safety	1
Right of Way and Licensing	2
Accounting	6
Administration	4
Assessments	2
Lands and conservation	2
Engineering	3
Irrigation Distribution	35
GIS	5
Human Resources	5
Hydrology	4
Information Systems	2
Cochiti Division	13

Albuquerque Division	49
Belen Division	40
Socorro Division	20
Equip Repair and Transportation	10

2.2 ENGAGEMENT

On-Site

- **Engagement** – Workshops and information gathering
- **Attendees** – Business leaders, IT directors, Departments leads and other key stakeholders
- **Duration** – approximately 2 days

Remote

- All other workshops, data gathering, documentation, etc. will be conducted remotely via MS Teams or WebEx.

3.0 IN-SCOPE SERVICES

3.1 PROJECT MANAGEMENT

An ANM Project Manager (PM) will be assigned to lead this engagement. The assigned PM will engage throughout the project phases and will be responsible for:

- Project initiation tasks
- Project schedule development and management
- Project communications planning and management
- Project deliverable acceptance and closure

3.2 ASSESSMENT MODULES

ANM will conduct comprehensive Assessment and Discovery to establish a detailed understanding of MRGCD’s current-state IT environment. This is designed to provide a holistic view of the organization’s technology landscape, operational processes, and supporting governance structures. Activities will focus on collecting, validating, and analyzing information related to infrastructure, network architecture, security controls, applications, and IT service management practices.

The Assessment and Discovery will include a combination of stakeholder interviews, documentation reviews, and technical discovery activities. Structured interviews will be conducted with key personnel across department leadership, operations, and business units to capture insights into current processes, challenges, and strategic priorities. These discussions will be supplemented by a review of existing documentation, including architecture diagrams, system inventories, policies, and operational procedures, to validate and enhance the understanding of the environment.

IT Environment

Network

Identify critical risks that may impact system availability, security posture, and business continuity.

Risks may include:

- Single points of failure
- Security control gaps
- Network Infrastructure scalability limitations
- Wireless deployment

Datacenter Infrastructure

Develop an understanding of the effectiveness, scalability, and resiliency of the current infrastructure supporting the business.

This includes identifying opportunities to improve:

- System availability
- Performance
- Redundancy
- Disaster recovery capabilities

Security

- Evaluate firewall and network security controls
- Assess endpoint security platforms and coverage
- Review security monitoring and logging capabilities
- Evaluate vulnerability management processes
- Review email security platforms and policies

Applications

- Identify key business applications
- Document SaaS platforms in use
- Identify application dependencies and integrations

Operational Processes

Identify opportunities to improve IT operational efficiency through:

- Process improvements
- Staffing alignment and optimization
- Evaluate staffing levels and role coverage
- Identify key-person dependencies

Operational Maturity

Governance

- Identify governance framework
- Assess decision-making and governance frameworks

Toolsets

- Identify gaps where required capabilities are not adequately addressed
- Evaluate whether current tools meet requirements

Infrastructure operations

- Are all critical systems being monitored
- Coverage gaps (what is NOT being monitored)
- Patch management processes for servers, endpoints, and network devices
- Verify backup coverage across all critical systems
- Verify backup frequency and retention policies

Security posture

Assess how well MRGCD can prevent, detect, respond to, recover from threats mapped to real business risk.

- Review cyber security architecture
 - IE. asset visibility, Endpoint logging, IR
- Review operational governance
- Identify critical risks

4.0 ASSUMPTIONS

The overall scope and related work estimate for this engagement were developed based on the assumptions listed below. Material changes to these assumptions and exclusions may impact the estimated effort and cost associated with completing the work and therefore would require a Project Change Request.

4.1 OUT OF SCOPE

Any activity not mentioned explicitly in-scope is considered Out of Scope and hence will not be considered. Any additional requirements will be treated as a change request and will follow the standard change request mechanism and will be estimated accordingly.

- This engagement does not include the implementation, configuration, or remediation of any systems, platforms, or processes, including but not limited to:
 - Deployment of new technologies or solutions
 - System configuration changes or optimization
 - Remediation of identified risks or vulnerabilities
 - Execution of recommended improvements

All remediation or implementation services may be provided under a separate engagement.

- While high-level configuration reviews may be performed, this engagement does not include exhaustive or system-level audits of every configuration item across all platforms, including:
 - Line-by-line firewall rule reviews
 - Detailed server or endpoint hardening validation
 - Full database or application configuration audits
- The engagement does not include formal compliance audits, certifications, or attestations, including but not limited to:
 - Regulatory compliance certification (e.g., HIPAA, PCI-DSS, SOX)
 - Formal audit opinions or third-party attestations
 - Legal or regulatory advisory services
- The engagement does not include:
 - Procurement of hardware or software
 - Vendor selection or contract negotiation
 - Licensing true-ups or compliance validation

- Formal training services are not included, including:
 - End-user training sessions
 - Administrator certification training
 - Development of training materials beyond knowledge transfer related to deliverables
- The engagement does not include evaluation of physical security controls or facilities, including:
 - Building access controls
 - Surveillance systems
 - Environmental controls (power, cooling, fire suppression)

4.2 CUSTOMER RESPONSIBILITIES

The following are responsibilities that will need to be performed/provided by Customer.

- Customer will provide single point of contact for communications and is responsible for project management of customer resources and scheduling.
- Customer is responsible for the submittal of all internal Change Control Documentation for production impacting or other necessary system changes requiring approval as pertaining to Customer's internal policies and procedures. ANM will offer input as appropriate.
- If required provide onsite physical access to required systems and space to work.
- Provide remote access (VPN) or other agreed upon remote access solution.
- Provide any required hardware and/or software that was not procured through ANM (for example, existing Microsoft and VMware software/licensing).
- Provide diagrams and configurations of existing environment if required.
- Make all changes to existing environment (e.g. firewall, Active Directory, DNS, DHCP, etc...) unless otherwise specifically called out in this Statement of Work.
- Deploy any required end user applications not specifically covered by this Statement of Work.
- Maintain valid support contracts with all product manufacturers involved in the solution.
- Every effort has been made to scope proper power cables, optics, and other solution-related accessories in the original bill-of-materials (quote). Customer is responsible for acquiring additional components identified during planning and design phase.

4.3 PROJECT-SPECIFIC ASSUMPTIONS

The project scope is based on the following project-specific assumptions:

- MRGCD will provide timely access to key stakeholders, including IT leadership, operations personnel, and business representatives, for interviews and workshops
- Client resources will be available during agreed-upon timeframes to support discovery activities and answer follow-up questions
- A designated project sponsor and primary point of contact will be assigned by MRGCD
- MRGCD will provide appropriate access to systems, tools, and environments necessary to perform assessment activities
- Access will include read-only access where applicable and appropriate for the engagement
- All required documentation (e.g., architecture diagrams, inventories, policies) will be provided in a timely manner
- The assessment will rely on information provided by MRGCD and data accessible during the engagement
- ANM will not independently verify the completeness or accuracy of all information provided
- Findings and recommendations will be based on the information available at the time of the assessment
- The engagement is limited to the systems, environments, and business units identified during the project initiation phase
- Any systems or environments not disclosed or made available during discovery will be excluded from the assessment
- Expansion of scope will require mutual agreement and a formal change order
- This engagement is advisory in nature and does not include implementation or remediation activities
- No production changes will be made to client systems without prior written approval
- Recommendations provided are intended to guide future decision-making and may require further validation before implementation
- ANM may utilize automated discovery tools, scripts, or data collection techniques where permitted
- Use of such tools will be coordinated with MRGCD to ensure compliance with internal policies and security requirements
- Any limitations on tool usage may impact the depth of discovery and findings
- The project timeline is dependent on timely access to personnel, systems, and documentation
- Delays in client responses or scheduling may result in adjustments to the project schedule
- Both parties will make reasonable efforts to adhere to the agreed-upon timeline

- The engagement will be performed remotely unless otherwise specified
- If on-site presence is required, it will be mutually agreed upon and may result in additional costs
- The assessment represents a point-in-time evaluation of the environment
- ANM does not guarantee the identification of all risks, vulnerabilities, or issues within the environment
- The absence of identified issues does not imply absence of risk
- Any dependencies on third-party vendors, service providers, or external resources are the responsibility of MRGCD to coordinate
- Delays or limitations caused by third parties may impact the engagement timeline and outcomes

4.4 GENERAL ASSUMPTIONS

- ANM will not be responsible for any project delays or costs caused by failure to deliver or by delayed provision of information, systems, or feedback from Customer or third-party vendors.
- Tasks will be completed during normal business hours between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. local time, Monday through Friday, excluding ANM-observed holidays, unless otherwise negotiated and noted in this services proposal.
- Customer will have five (5) business days to provide written feedback on all project artifacts, documents, or presentations developed or updated by ANM. If no feedback is provided, the item will be considered accepted by Customer.
- Changes to this scope of work identified during this project will require a Project Change Request Form.
- Services may be provided by ANM or individuals or organizations employed by or under contract with ANM, at the discretion of ANM.
- Unless otherwise specified, the following services are not included:
 - Environmental requirements: racks/cabinets, electrical/power & cooling/air conditioning services
 - Network cabling services
- Any services provided in the reconfiguration or troubleshooting as a result of existing faulty equipment, software compatibility or systems interoperability will be considered out of scope and will require an appropriate Change Request Form.
- Customer will manage all oversight and communication with third party vendors not directly contracted by ANM (for example, service providers, other equipment manufacturers, etc.).
- Customer is responsible for any software updates or equipment replacement not covered by support contracts.

5.0 CHANGE CONTROL

5.1 CHANGE OF SCOPE

Should changes to the scope or solution be necessary or requested by Customer, ANM will investigate the effect of such changes and determine an impact on price, schedule, and other terms and conditions.

- A project Change Request Form (CRF) will be used to document and communicate any changes to this Statement of Work. The CRF will describe the change, the reason for the change, and the impact that the change will have on the project. The CRF will also specify any additional charges (if necessary).
- A complete CRF will be the output and Customer and ANM must both sign it to authorize the changes. A change control log will be maintained throughout the project to track all approved changes and record them (if applicable) in the successive approved versions of the Project Plan. All versions will be tracked using a strict document version control mechanism maintained by the Project Managers.

5.2 CHANGE OF SCHEDULING

- Any delays or changes in the project schedule initiated by Customer within 5 business days of the confirmed scheduled project work will result in a change order for an additional charge in an amount equal to the run rate* for the duration of the scheduled work impacted by the Customer-initiated delay or schedule change, not to exceed 2 weeks. Hourly Rate is based on ANM's current rate chart.
* Run Rate= Hourly Rate x Scheduled Hours
- If any subset of a project is not started within three months of the main project completion due to Customer enforced delays, that portion of the work will be automatically cancelled, a credit will be issued to Customer for the work not completed and the overall project will be closed out. Any cancelled work may be re-scoped as a new project at Customer request.

6.0 BILLING MILESTONES

Services for this project will be billed as a fixed fee for the amount provided on the accompanying ANM quote. Services will be invoiced monthly based on the percentage of project completion for the preceding month. Project completion percentage is calculated by the ANM Project Manager and will be reviewed during regular status calls prior to invoicing.

7.0 PROJECT AUTHORIZATION

We believe the SOW outlined in this document will meet the requirements of the work to be performed. Any modifications to this document will be made in writing and agreed to by both parties subject to additional charges.

Authorized Customer Signature:	
Printed Name:	Date:
Authorized ANM Signature:	
Printed Name:	Date:

This SOW is subject to the terms of the applicable ANM Quote and any master services agreement (MSA) in place between ANM and Customer. This SOW shall be in effect until either party provides written notice of cancellation. This statement of work is valid for one year (365 days) after the signature date. After this period all services delivered will be invoiced at time and materials rates and the remaining project will be cancelled.



MEMORANDUM

To: Chairman Kelly & Board of Directors

From: Casey Ish, Director, Land and Conservation Department

Date: April 13th, 2026

Re: Update on 2026 Water Leasing Program & Upcoming Enrollment Window

Mr. Chair,

MRGCD has received sufficient funding through our Cooperative Agreement with the National Fish & Wildlife Foundation, New Mexico Interstate Stream Commission, and the Bureau of Reclamation to offer a modified Water Leasing Program to our constituents for the 2026 Irrigation Season. The Board may recall that staff suspended the leasing program earlier in the year as this funding had not yet been sub-awarded to MRGCD. Staff provided an update to the Irrigation Committee on March 30th on the proposed 2026 Water Leasing Program, which is provided below.

Casey Ish
Director of Lands & Conservation

2026 Background

For the 2026 irrigation season, the Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District originally planned to offer eligible patrons payments \$350/acre for the full season and \$200/acre for the partial-season period from May-August to forbear from irrigation under the ongoing Environmental Water Leasing Program (EWLP). A corresponding budget of \$600,000 in Reclamation funding routed through the New Mexico Interstate Stream Commission was to be made available from a pending NFWF-MRGCD Subgrant.

On January 12, 2026, MRGCD announced the decision to suspend the 2026 EWLP due to delays in finalizing the Subgrant. At the time of suspension, MRGCD underscored that it would be possible to offer a late-season leasing opportunity once the Subgrant funds were secured. In February 2026, the Subgrant NFWF contract number 2504.25.086346 was executed, conveying \$3.5 million to MRGCD for water acquisition and delivery to restore habitat for endangered species in the Middle Rio Grande.

With funding in hand, staff has worked to develop the revised plan for late-season implementation of the 2026 Environmental Water Leasing Program described in this document.

Context

The 2026 EWLP design builds on 6 years of experience to date with environmental water leasing to support Rio Grande Silvery Minnow habitat in the Middle Rio Grande. In 2020, the pilot focused on partial season leasing in which irrigators were compensated for allocating their late-season water deliveries to support the minnow. In 2021, the pilot was expanded to test full-season alongside partial-season transactions, as well as to test a detailed water accounting procedure for equitable shortage sharing between irrigators and lessees in a drought year. In 2022 the program offered full season only. In 2023 based on participant feedback, both full season and partial season options were made available for farmers with expanded flexibility for partial season applicant who could irrigate in the spring and fall but follow the summer months. In 2024, the pilot expanded to obtain leases in support of both the EWLP and the state-funded Middle Rio Grande Compact Delivery Following (IDM) program through a single combined offer to irrigators. In 2025, owing to a funding gap in EWLP funding, all acres enrolled in the program were allocated to the IDM program.

In 2026, with state IDM funding no longer available, staff recommends late-season implementation of the EWLP to continue to obtain water for delivery in support of endangered species and their habitat. This water will complement environmental water available from other sources.

The 2026 environmental water portfolio in the Middle Rio Grande basin includes water from sources including i) the Rio Rancho Settlement (the “Settlement Water Account” or SWA), ii) a Reclamation lease of Town of Bernalillo water held in the strategic water reserve (the “Lease Account” or LA), iii) conserved water from MRGCD on-farm and system conservation projects (the “Conserved Water Account” or CWA), and iv) a portion of MRGCD San Juan-Chama Project water dedicated to environmental use pursuant to a legal settlement with Wildearth Guardians. Due to extreme drought and limited water supplies, these non-EWLP sources together are estimated to yield perhaps 4,500 AF of water for environmental use. Additional water made available through the ELWP will complement this supply. Specific use will depend on guidance from Reclamation and partners but may include exchange with (use in lieu of) MRGCD stored San Juan-Chama Project environmental supply so that stored water can be conserved for environmental use in future years.

2026 Late-Season EWLP Offer

MRGCD proposes offering two participation options for patrons in the 2026 EWLP. These include:

- 2026 late-season leasing: Landowner payments of \$175/acre for non-irrigation from June 1 through the end of the 2026 irrigation season on October 31 (5 months);

- 2026 late-season + 2027 full-season leasing: Landowner payments of \$550/acre for non-irrigation from June 1 through the end of the 2027 irrigation season on October 31, 2027 (17 calendar months).

The total budget available for this offer is \$300,000 though MRGCD may increase this figure depending on landowner interest and staff capacity.

The table below summarizes the offer and potential water yield for offer assuming 400 acres enrolled in each option.

Leasing Option	EWLP Payment / Acre	Estimated Enrollment (Acres)	Total Payment	Gross Water Yield [1]
2026 June-October	\$175	400	\$70,000	732 AF
2026 June-October and Full-Year 2027	\$550	400	\$220,000	732 AF (2026) 1,200 AF (2027)

Note:

[1] Gross water yield is 1.83 AF/acre for June-October leases, 3.0 AF/acre for full-season leases. Gross water yield will be adjusted to account for shared shortages based on actual water supply.

The proposed approach is designed to provide some access to water leasing in what is expected to be a dry year, reducing overall late-season demand on the system and yielding some environmental water. Lease payments are lowered commensurate with expected lower water yield. The budget cap is designed to maintain future flexibility and ensure MRGCD will have the administrative capacity to execute lease agreements in the compressed 2026 enrollment schedule.

The novel enrollment option combining late-season 2026 and full-season 2027 leasing is designed to test the appeal of longer leasing terms to landowners and secure an early increment of leased water towards 2027 needs. Having some leases secured early will inform 2027 planning and ease the MRGCD administrative burden of enrolling all leases in the same early 2027 timeframe. If successful, this effort could be a template for a more strategic phased approach combining longer term leases with other water sources to serve core environmental demand, with same-year options tailored to address incremental needs based on hydrology. The need to redesign the original 2026 EWLP provides an opportunity to begin gaining experience with these concepts.

Enrolled landowners will receive payment from MRGCD according to the following schedule:

- \$75 after contract execution (July 2026)

- \$100 at the end of the 2026 irrigation season (November 2026)
- \$175 at the beginning of the 2027 irrigation season (April 2027, if applicable)
- \$200 at the end of the 2027 irrigation season (November 2027, if applicable)

Water Accounting:

- MRGCD will allocate water on an equal basis to lands whether irrigated or enrolled in the EWLP. All acres shall be subject to shortage sharing according to the established water accounting framework.
- EWLP: All water from EWLP acres will be subject to shortage-sharing as accounted for according the established water accounting framework (subject to 2026 technical revisions) and delivered to habitat sites to support species. No portion of the water from EWLP lands will be allocated to meet Rio Grande Compact delivery or irrigation needs.
- Irrigated Lands: Lands not enrolled in the EWLP will receive their normal water allocation, subject to rotations and shortage sharing on a co-equal basis with enrolled lands (as specified in the water accounting framework).

Late-season EWLP Monitoring and Enforcement

- MRGCD Conservation Program staff will coordinate with Irrigation System Operators (ISOs) to conduct randomized field inspections in their respective Zones. ISO's will be given a list of properties enrolled in the EWLP for inspection and will provide photo documentation of the property during the irrigation season. This information will be sent to Conservation Program and Water Distribution staff. Any violations of the EWLP contract will be investigated by Conservation Program and Water Distribution staff. If a violation of the contract is identified, the severity of the violation and other relevant factors will inform the response by MRGCD. The District is clear in its contracts with landowners that violating the terms of the contract can result in a lock being placed on the turnout, repayment of funds, and or removal from the program.

Enrollment Process

MRGCD plans to enroll farmers in the EWLP following the April 13, 2026 Board meeting. Enrollment will remain open until May 15, 2026 and applicants will be enrolled in the program under the terms described above on a first-come, first-serve basis.



MEMORANDUM

To: Chairman Kelly, Board of Directors

Through: Jason M. Casuga, CEO/Chief Engineer

From: Casey Ish, Director, Land and Conservation Department

Date: April 13th, 2026

Re: Consideration /Approval of MOA between MRGCD and Explora

Summary:

MRGCD staff has worked to develop a 5 year MOA with Explora to advance our education and outreach efforts with students, and families. Explora has shown a great ability to bring foundational principals of water stewardship, agriculture, and related STEM topics into regional schools. The MOA is written to provide \$25,000 annually, subject to available funding.

Staff Recommendation:

Staff recommends approving the MOA.

Casey Ish
Director of Lands & Conservation



MEMORANDUM

To: Chairman Kelly, Board of Directors

Through: Jason M. Casuga, CEO/Chief Engineer

From: Casey Ish, Director, Land and Conservation Department

Date: April 13th, 2026

Re: Consideration /Approval of Staff Recommendation for State Land Office Fee and Grant of Easement for Bernalillo to Belen (Mountain View Unit) Right of Way Easement No. R-42759

Summary:

MRGCD staff and the State Land Office have finalized an Easement Document to grant MRGCD access to the certain tracts of land owned by the State for the purposes of “an engineered levee and existing irrigation and drainage facilities (Williams Lateral and Albuquerque Riverside Drain)”... “The right-of-way hereby granted covers a strip of land 200 feet in width in Bernalillo County, with an additional 40 feet of Temporary Construction Space.” **The license fee owed by MRGCD to the State Land Office for this right-of-way has been negotiated to \$123,358.21.**

Staff Recommendation:

Staff recommends approving the payment of the license fee to the State Land Office along with the Grant of Easement No. R-42759.

Casey Ish

Director of Lands & Conservation



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COMMISSIONER

March 11, 2026

Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District
1931 2nd Street SW
Albuquerque, NM 87102

Attn: Jason Casuga

Re: NM State Land Office Right of Way Easement No. **R42759 Middle Rio Grande Flood Protection Bernalillo to Belen-Mountain View Unit**

Dear Applicant:

Enclosed in duplicate is the grant for the above referenced right of way requesting your signature and notary. Please have the grant signed in the presence of a Notary Public and return both copies, single sided to this office for approval. Double sided copies will not be accepted.

PLEASE DO NOT DATE THE GRANT. It will be dated when the Commissioner's signature and official seal are affixed to the document. If any corrections are necessary, notify this office and we will retype or amend the grant as required. **YOU ARE REQUIRED TO RETURN BOTH COPIES OF THE SIGNED GRANT WITHIN 15 DAYS.** If you are not able to return the signed grants within this time, please call for an extension. A signed copy will be returned to you.

Agreed upon rental is due in the amount of **\$123,358.21**. When remitting payment, reference "R42759—Commercial Resources Division" on your check to ensure proper payment allocation.

Please be advised that any projects started on state trust land before the grants are finalized will result in a trespass penalty. Please do not begin the project unless you have an executed grant from this office.

The New Mexico State Land Office requires you to notify any surface lessees that will be impacted by your project prior to construction.

If you have any questions, or if we may be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact Amy Velazquez of the Rights of Way Bureau at (505) 827-5789 or avelazquez@nmslo.gov.

Sincerely,


James S. Bordegaray
Director, Commercial Resources Division

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Enclosures (3)

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS
ROADWAY RIGHT-OF-WAY**

Middle Rio Grande Flood Protection Bernalillo to Belen-Mountain View Unit

This indenture, made this ____ day of _____, 2026 by and between the State of New Mexico acting by and through its Commissioner of Public Lands, “Grantor”, and the Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District, whose address is 1931 2nd Street SW, Albuquerque, NM 87102 “Grantee”;

Grantor, for and in consideration of the sum of \$123,358.21 ----- One Hundred Twenty-Three Thousand Three Hundred Fifty-Eight Dollars and 21/100-----, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, and other good and valuable consideration, conveys to Grantee a personal right-of-way for the sole and exclusive purpose of an engineered levee and existing irrigation and drainage facilities (Williams Lateral and Albuquerque Riverside Drain). The right-of-way granted herein does not run with any land of Grantee. This grant includes the right to enter upon the real estate hereinafter described at any time that it may become reasonably necessary to construct, maintain and repair the right-of-way, together with the right to remove trees, brush, undergrowth, and other obstructions interfering with the location, construction, and maintenance of said right-of-way.

The right-of-way hereby granted covers a strip of land 200 feet in width in Bernalillo County, with an additional 40 feet of Temporary Construction Space as more particularly described by the attached centerline description and survey plats, which are incorporated herein as **Exhibit A**. It is expressly agreed that the location of this personal right-of-way may be re-located by Grantor from time to time to accommodate the development of Grantor’s property, upon reasonable notice to Grantee; and Grantor may, by providing alternate ingress and egress to Grantee on roadways to be developed on Grantor’s property, terminate the personal right-of-way granted herein upon reasonable notice to Grantee.

This grant is made upon the following express terms and conditions:

1. This right-of-way is granted for a term of seventy-five (75) years. The grant may be renewed for additional periods upon application to Grantor. Any such renewals are subject to such terms and conditions as the Grantor may require, and payment of compensation.
2. Grantor reserves the right to authorize or grant rights-of-way or other easements to third parties, which may be over, parallel to, or across this right-of-way. In such cases, the subsequent grantee may, at the discretion of the Grantor, be required to post a bond guaranteeing payment for damages to the installations and improvements of Grantee herein. In crossing any right-of-way for a highway, road, telephone, telegraph, transmission line, etc. Grantee herein will exercise due care so as not to interfere with said rights-of-way and will comply with all applicable laws, rules, and regulations in connection with the making of such crossings.
3. The right to grant additional rights-of-way or easements within this right-of-way belongs exclusively to Grantor. GRANTEE EXPRESSLY AGREES THAT PRIOR TO THE CONSTRUCTION OR INSTALLATION OF ANY FACILITIES WITHIN THE RIGHT-OF-WAY GRANTED HEREIN, GRANTEE WILL DETERMINE WHETHER THE RIGHT-OF-WAY IS WITHIN A PREVIOUSLY ESTABLISHED NEW MEXICO STATE HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT RIGHT-OF-WAY, AND IF IT IS, GRANTEE

WILL OBTAIN FROM THE DEPARTMENT A PERMIT THAT PRESCRIBES THE CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH FACILITIES MAY BE PLACED WITHIN THE RIGHT-OF-WAY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE DEPARTMENT'S APPLICABLE RULES AND REGULATIONS. GRANTEE FURTHER UNDERSTANDS AND AGREES THAT THE FAILURE TO OBTAIN SUCH PERMIT SHALL RESULT IN THE FORCIBLE REMOVAL BY THE DEPARTMENT OF ANY FACILITIES THAT MAY BE CONSTRUCTED OR INSTALLED WITHIN THE RIGHT-OF-WAY.

4. In clearing the right-of-way, Grantee agrees to dispose of brush and other debris so as not to interfere with the movement of livestock of state agriculture lessees, and so as not to obstruct or interfere with any development of Grantor's adjacent lands.
5. Grantee hereby agrees to carefully avoid destruction or injury to any improvements or livestock lawfully upon the premises described herein, to close all gates immediately upon passing through same, and to pay promptly the reasonable and just damages for any injury or destruction arising from construction or maintenance of this right-of way.
6. Grantee shall not sell, assign, or in any way transfer or cause to be transferred, directly or indirectly, any interest in this right-of-way to any person or entity without the prior written approval of Grantor. Such approval may be conditioned upon the agreement by Grantee's assignee to additional conditions and covenants and may require payment of additional compensation to Grantor. This right-of-way is for the sole purpose of providing personal ingress and egress to Grantee, and for no other purpose.
7. The rights granted herein are subject to valid existing rights.
8. Grantor reserves the right to execute leases for oil and gas, coal, and minerals of whatsoever kind and for geothermal resources development and operation, the right to sell or dispose of same and the right to grant rights-of-way and easements related to such leasing.
9. In all matters affecting the premises described herein or operations thereon, Grantee, its employees, agents and contractors shall, at their own expense, fully comply with all laws, regulations, rules, ordinances, and requirements of any governmental authority or agency, which may be enacted or promulgated, including, but not limited to, requirements or enactments pertaining to conservation, sanitation, aesthetics, pollution, cultural properties, fire, or ecology, including those provisions of the New Mexico Cultural Properties Act, §§18-6-1 through 17, NMSA 1978, that attach criminal penalties to the appropriation, excavation, injury or destruction of any site or object of historical, archaeological, architectural, or scientific value located on state lands. In addition, Grantee, its employees, agents and contractors must comply with the provisions of the Pipeline Safety Act, §§ 70-3-11 through 20, NMSA 1978, and rules enacted pursuant to the Act, and agree to provide the Public Regulation Commission access to records of compliance.
10. Non-use of the right-of-way granted herein for any period in excess of one (1) year without the prior written consent of Grantor shall be conclusive proof of abandonment of the right-of-way, and shall cause the right-of-way to lapse *ipso facto* and revert to Grantor without further action or notice required of Grantor; and non-use for shorter periods shall place upon grantee the burden of proving that there was no intent to abandon. Grantee's abandonment cannot be waived by any

action or inaction of Grantor or by Grantor's failure to discover such abandonment. The resumption of use by Grantee after abandonment shall be deemed a trespass.

11. Grantee, if other than a governmental entity that is provided immunity from suit by the New Mexico Tort Claims Act, agrees to save and hold harmless, defend and indemnify the State of New Mexico, the Commissioner of Public Lands, and his agents or employees, in their official and individual capacities, of and from any and all liability, claims, losses, or damages arising out of or alleged to arise out of or indirectly connected with the operations of Grantee, its employees, agents, or contractors hereunder.
12. Notwithstanding anything contained herein, Grantor may cancel this grant for violation of any of the covenants of this agreement; provided, however, that before any such cancellation shall become effective, Grantor shall mail to grantee or any approved assignee, by certified mail addressed to the post office address of Grantee or such assignee shown by Land Office records, a thirty (30) day notice of intention to cancel, specifying the default for which the grant is subject to cancellation. No proof of receipt of notice shall be necessary and thirty (30) days after such mailing, Grantor may enter cancellation unless Grantee shall have sooner remedied the default to the satisfaction of Grantor.
13. Grantee agrees to preserve and protect the natural environmental conditions of the land encompassed in this grant, and to take those reclamation or corrective actions that are accepted soil and water conservation practices and that are deemed necessary by Grantor to protect the land from pollution, erosion, or other environmental degradation as more particularly described by the attached New Mexico State Land Office Required Practices for Surface Users, which are incorporated herein as Exhibit B, and the New Mexico State Land Office Minimum Requirements for Surface Reclamation.
14. Grantee agrees to reclaim by grading, leveling, or terracing all areas disturbed by the construction or maintenance of the right-of-way or operations thereon and to landscape such areas at its own cost and expense. Landscaping shall include the planting of native grasses, shrubs, or other vegetation so as to return disturbed areas to their natural state and prevent water and wind erosion.
15. This grant shall become effective upon its execution by Grantor.
16. Grantee shall notify Grantor in writing within ten (10) days of (i) Grantee's receipt of any compliance order, enforcement order, notice of violation, warning letter, or other written notice of final or contemplated enforcement action taken by any federal, state, or local governmental entity arising out of or concerning any of Grantee's operations anywhere on New Mexico state trust land; (ii) Grantee's receipt of any order, judgment, or decree (on consent or otherwise) entered by any federal or state court against Grantee arising out of or concerning any of Grantee's operations anywhere on New Mexico state trust land; or (iii) Grantee's receipt of any written notice of claim, written pre-suit notice, or lawsuit arising out of or concerning any of Grantee's operations anywhere on New Mexico state trust land. Upon Grantor's request, Grantee shall promptly provide Grantor with a copy of any such order, judgment, decree, notice, letter, or lawsuit. Grantee shall reasonably cooperate with Grantor, including providing Grantor with requested records that may be necessary to determine whether Grantee is in compliance with applicable laws with respect to its operations on state trust land.

17. **STIPULATIONS:**

- A. Temporary Construction Space is granted up to 40 feet during initial construction and maintenance excluding the remediation phase. Temporary Construction Space not to exceed 180 days.
- B. The New Mexico State Land Office, in its sole discretion, may convey by sale or exchange all or any part of the lands subject to this ROW. The access granted herein and the rights and obligations set forth herein shall run with the land and be binding upon and inure to the benefit of Grantor and Grantee and their respective successors and assigns.

[SIGNATURE PAGE FOLLOWS]

GRANTEE: **Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District**

BY: _____

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

STATE OF _____)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this _____ day of _____, 20____, by _____, of _____, a _____ corporation, on behalf of said corporation.

My Commission Expires:

STATE OF NEW MEXICO

BY: _____
Stephanie Garcia Richard
Commissioner of Public Lands

DATE: _____

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Exhibit A
Survey Plats

Legal Description

A TRACT OF LAND LYING AND SITUATE WITHIN SECTION 36, TOWNSHIP 09 NORTH, RANGE 02 EAST, N.M.P.M., BERNALILLO COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, COMPRISING OF LANDS OF THE NEW MEXICO STATE LAND OFFICE, COMPRISING OF THE REMAINING PORTION OF SAID SECTION 36, BOUNDED ON THE WEST BY THE EAST LINE OF THE PAJARITO GRANT, ON THE EAST BY THE EAST RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF THE WILLIAMS LATERAL, AND BETWEEN THE NORTH AND SOUTH SECTION LINES OF SAID SECTION 36, SAID TRACT BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED BY NEW MEXICO STATE PLANE COORDINATE SYSTEM GRID BEARINGS (NAD 83-CENTRAL ZONE) AND GROUND DISTANCES (US SURVEY FEET) AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF DESCRIBED TRACT, LYING ON THE EAST RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF THE M.R.G.C.D. WILLIAMS LATERAL, MARKED BY A SET NO. 5 REBAR WITH PINK PLASTIC CAP STAMPED "L MEDRANO NMPS 11993", FROM WHENCE A TIE TO A.G.R.S. MONUMENT "6_U13" BEARS S 30°30'32" E, A DISTANCE OF 6,160.12 FEET;

THENCE FROM SAID POINT OF BEGINNING, ALONG THE EAST RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF THE M.R.G.C.D. WILLIAMS LATERAL, S 14°53'41" E, A DISTANCE OF 1,785.58 FEET TO AN ANGLE POINT, MARKED BY A SET NO. 5 REBAR WITH PINK PLASTIC CAP STAMPED "L MEDRANO NMPS 11993";

THENCE LEAVING SAID EAST RIGHT OF WAY LINE, S 00°07'56" W, A DISTANCE OF 934.12 FEET TO AN ANGLE POINT, MARKED BY A SET NO. 5 REBAR WITH PINK PLASTIC CAP STAMPED "L MEDRANO NMPS 11993";

THENCE S 89°53'04" E, A DISTANCE 394.64 FEET TO AN ANGLE POINT, LYING ON THE EAST RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF THE WILLIAMS LATERAL MARKED BY A SET NO. 5 REBAR WITH PINK PLASTIC CAP STAMPED "L MEDRANO NMPS 11993";

THENCE CONTINUING ALONG THE EAST RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF THE WILLIAMS LATERAL FOR THE NEXT FIVE COURSES, S 28°23'41" E, A DISTANCE OF 449.97 FEET TO A POINT OF CURVATURE, MARKED BY A SET NO. 5 REBAR WITH PINK PLASTIC CAP STAMPED "L MEDRANO NMPS 11993";

THENCE ALONG A CURVE TO THE RIGHT, HAVING AN ARC LENGTH OF 758.64 FEET, A RADIUS OF 1552.72 FEET, A DELTA ANGLE OF 27°59'39", A CHORD BEARING OF S 14°23'30" E, AND A CHORD LENGTH OF 751.12 FEET, TO A POINT OF TANGENCY, MARKED BY A SET NO. 5 REBAR WITH PINK PLASTIC CAP STAMPED "L MEDRANO NMPS 11993";

THENCE S 00°23'41" E, A DISTANCE OF 725.09 FEET TO A POINT OF CURVATURE, MARKED BY A SET NO. 5 REBAR WITH PINK PLASTIC CAP STAMPED "L MEDRANO NMPS 11993";

THENCE ALONG A CURVE TO THE LEFT, HAVING AN ARC LENGTH OF 474.88 FEET, A RADIUS OF 1312.66 FEET, A DELTA ANGLE OF 20°43'40", A CHORD BEARING OF S 10°45'51" E, AND A CHORD LENGTH OF 472.29 FEET, TO A POINT OF TANGENCY, MARKED BY A SET NO. 5 REBAR WITH PINK PLASTIC CAP STAMPED "L MEDRANO NMPS 11993";

THENCE S 21°07'41" E, A DISTANCE OF 332.06 FEET TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF DESCRIBED TRACT, MARKED BY A SET NO. 5 REBAR WITH PINK PLASTIC CAP STAMPED "L MEDRANO NMPS 11993";

THENCE LEAVING SAID EAST RIGHT OF WAY LINE, CROSSING THE RIO GRANDE FOR THE NEXT THREE COURSES, N 89°53'04" W, A DISTANCE OF 85.86 FEET TO AN ANGLE POINT, MARKED BY A SET NO. 4 REBAR WITH PINK PLASTIC CAP "CARTESIAN LS 18374";

THENCE N 89°53'04" W, A DISTANCE OF 928.39 FEET TO AN ANGLE POINT, MARKED BY A SET NO. 5 REBAR WITH PINK PLASTIC CAP STAMPED "L MEDRANO NMPS 11993";

THENCE N 89°53'04" W, A DISTANCE OF 921.91 FEET TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF DESCRIBED TRACT, MARKED BY A SET NO. 5 REBAR WITH PINK PLASTIC CAP STAMPED "L MEDRANO NMPS 11993";

THENCE ALONG THE EAST BOUNDARY OF THE PAJARITO GRANT FOR THE NEXT EIGHT COURSES, N 24°33'01" W, A DISTANCE OF 517.70 FEET TO AN ANGLE POINT, MARKED BY A SET NO. 5 REBAR WITH PINK PLASTIC CAP STAMPED "L MEDRANO NMPS 11993";

THENCE N 08°46'01" W, A DISTANCE OF 396.42 FEET TO AN ANGLE POINT, MARKED BY A SET NO. 5 REBAR WITH PINK PLASTIC CAP STAMPED "L MEDRANO NMPS 11993";

THENCE N 04°13'59" E, A DISTANCE OF 1123.22 FEET TO AN ANGLE POINT, MARKED BY A WITNESS CORNER BEING A SET NO. 5 REBAR WITH PINK PLASTIC CAP STAMPED "L MEDRANO NMPS 11993", THAT BEARS S 75°15'58" W, A DISTANCE OF 350.08 FEET FROM TRUE POINT;

THENCE N 10°53'01" W, A DISTANCE OF 1321.49 FEET TO AN ANGLE POINT, MARKED BY A WITNESS CORNER BEING A SET NO. 5 REBAR WITH PINK PLASTIC CAP STAMPED "L MEDRANO NMPS 11993", THAT BEARS S 75°15'53" W, A DISTANCE OF 460.13 FEET FROM TRUE POINT;

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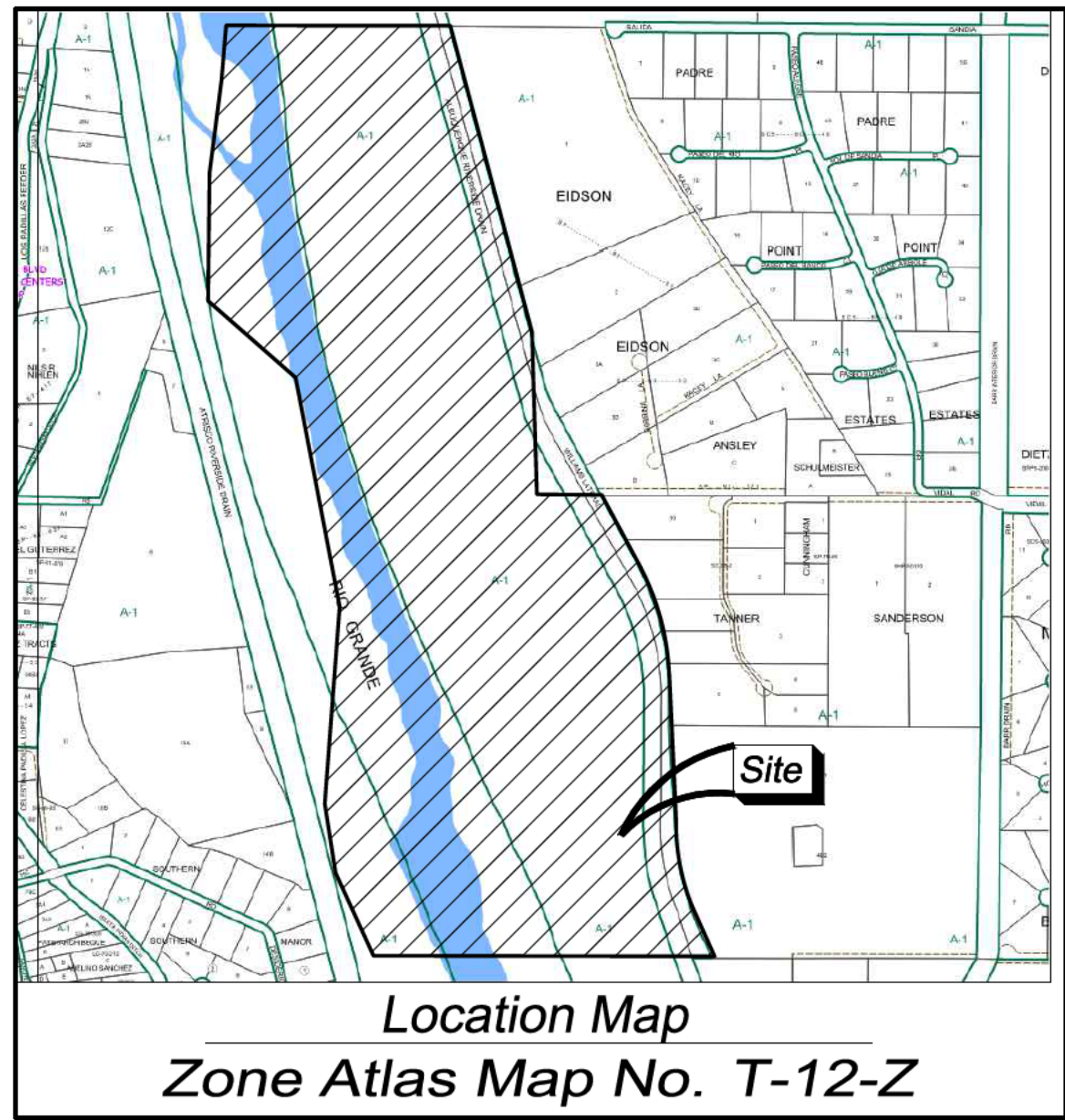
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THENCE N 07°13'59" E, A DISTANCE OF 528.58 FEET TO AN ANGLE POINT, MARKED BY A WITNESS CORNER BEING A SET NO. 5 REBAR WITH PINK PLASTIC CAP STAMPED "L MEDRANO NMPS 11993", THAT BEARS S 79°48'36" W, A DISTANCE OF 400.11 FEET FROM TRUE POINT;

THENCE N 04°50'57" E, A DISTANCE OF 313.48 FEET TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF DESCRIBED TRACT, MARKED BY A SET NO. 5 REBAR WITH PINK PLASTIC CAP STAMPED "L MEDRANO NMPS 11993";

THENCE LEAVING SAID EAST GRANT BOUNDARY, CROSSING THE RIO GRANDE FOR THE NEXT TWO COURSES, S 89°57'58" E, A DISTANCE OF 460.76 FEET TO AN ANGLE POINT, MARKED BY A FOUND BROKEN BLM ALUMINUM CAP ON THE GROUND NEXT TO A 2-1/2" ALUMINUM PIPE STEM (PIPE STEM USED FOR CORNER LOCATION);

THENCE S 89°57'58" E, A DISTANCE OF 847.07 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING 207.3666 ACRES, MORE OR LESS.



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Record Documents Used

PARCEL II AND III TRACT2:
BOUNDARY SURVEY FOR TRACT A LANDS OF NANNINGA FAMILY TRUST AND JUANITA N. PILECKAS AND MRGCD TRACTS 4D1 4D2 MAP 58 (08/22/2022, 2022S-0100)

LOTS 6 THROUGH 10, INCLUSIVE:
PLAT OF LOTS 1 THRU 10 TANNER SUBDIVISION (01/25/1996, 96C-45)

LOT D-1
A PLAT OF LOTS C-1 AND D-1 LANDS OF ANSLEY (05/03/1996, 93C-122)

PARCEL 3-A AND 3-D
CORRECTION PLAT OF PARCELS 3-A, 3-B, 3-C AND 3D (09/21/1993, 93C-272)

PARCEL 1
AMENDED CONSERVATION EASEMENT PLAT OF PARCELS 1 AND 2 EIDSON SUBDIVISION (09/11/2024, 2024S-0087)

PARCEL 1
EIDSON SUBDIVISION (04/24/1983, C21-49)

TRACT D
LANDS OF VG FARMS (03/26/2012, 2012C-39)

SUMMARY PLAT SHOWING PARCELS 1-3
EIDSON SUBDIVISION SITUATE WITHIN SEC36 T9N R2E NMPM (04/27/1983, C21-49)

BOUNDARY SURVEY PLAT OF VALLE DE ORO NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE TRACTS (10,A-F) COMPRISED OF RECORD SUBDIVISION TRACS AS FOLLOWS:
TRACTS 1,4&5 PLAT OF TRACTS 1 THRU 5, LANDS OF VG FARMS;
TRACTS 2-A AND 3-A, PLAT OF TRACTS 2-A AND 3-A, LANDS OF VG FARMS;
TRACTS A-D, PLAT OF TRACTS A THRU D, LANDS OF VG FARMS (08/17/2022, 2022S-84)

AMENDED AND CORRECTED PLAT OF SOUTHERN MANOR ESTATES (06/02/1995, 95C-198)

REDIVISION PLAT OF TRACT 4 OF THE NANNINGA TRACS (NOW COMPRISING TRACT A & TRACT B) LANDS OF NANNINGA FAMILY TRUST AND JUANITA N. PILECKAS (08/31/1993, 93C-248)

TOWNSHIP 9 NORTH, RANGE 2 EAST, OF THE NMPM DEPENDENT RESURVEY AND SURVEY OF LOTS (08/10/1983)

TOWNSHIP 9 NORTH, RANGE 2 EAST, OF THE NMPM DEPENDENT RESURVEY AND SURVEY OF LOTS (08/10/1983)

AMENDED PLAT OF TOWNSHIP 9 NORTH, RANGE 2 EAST OF THE NMPM (PLAT APPROVED 01/30/1903)

TOWNSHIP 9 NORTH, RANGE 2 EAST OF THE NMPM (07/08/1881)

TOWNSHIP 8 NORTH, RANGE 2 EAST OF NMPM DEPENDENT RESURVEY AND SURVEY (PLAT APPROVED 06/30/1905, 07/30/1921, 08/13/1982)

TOWNSHIP 8 NORTH, RANGE 2 EAST OF NMPM DEPENDENT RESURVEY AND SURVEY OF LOTS (PLAT APPROVED 06/30/1905, 03/01/1919, 07/30/1921, 09/04/1952)

SUPPLEMENTAL PLAT SHOWING THE RESTORATION TO THE PUBLIC LAND OF THE AREAS SURVEYED AS S.H.C 5954, TRS 1&2 AND S.H.C 5952 TR. 1, TS 8 AND 9N R2E OF THE NMPM (07/07/1926)

Surveyor's Certificate

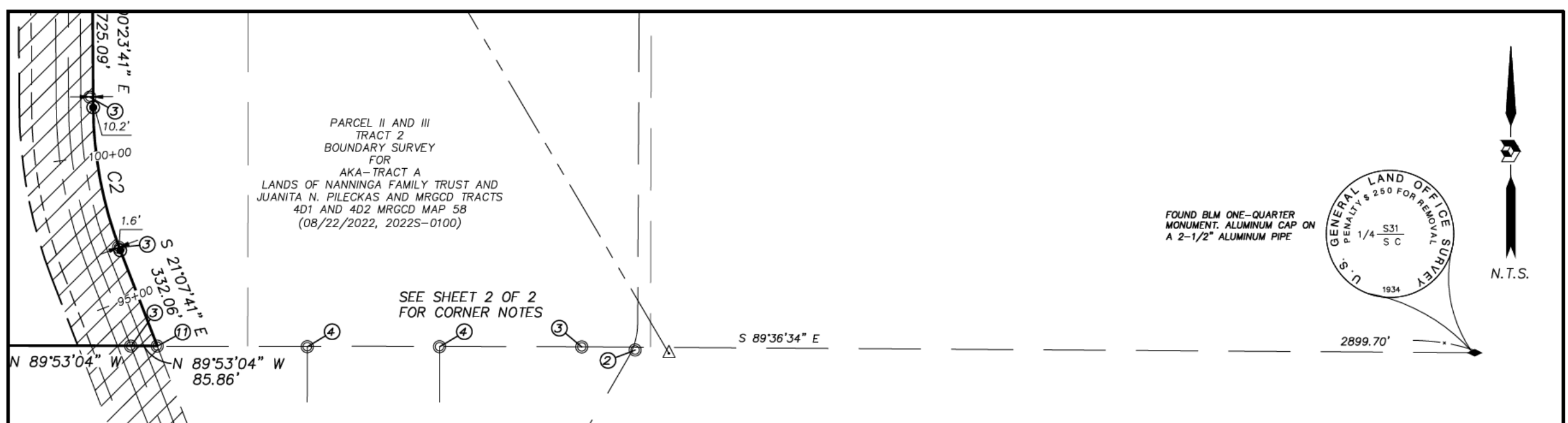
I, LARRY W. MEDRANO, NEW MEXICO PROFESSIONAL SURVEYOR NO. 11993, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS BOUNDARY SURVEY PLAT AND THE ACTUAL ON THE GROUND SURVEY UPON WHICH IT IS BASED WERE PERFORMED BY ME OR UNDER MY DIRECT SUPERVISION; THAT I AM RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS SURVEY; THAT THIS SURVEY MEETS THE MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR SURVEYING IN NEW MEXICO AS ADOPTED BY THE NEW MEXICO BOARD OF LICENSURE FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS AND PROFESSIONAL SURVEYORS AND THAT IT IS TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF. I FURTHER CERTIFY THAT THIS SURVEY IS NOT A LAND DIVISION OR SUBDIVISION AS DEFINED IN THE NEW MEXICO SUBDIVISION ACT AND THAT THIS INSTRUMENT IS A BOUNDARY SURVEY PLAT OF AN EXISTING TRACT OR TRACTS.

LARRY W. MEDRANO DATE
N.M.P.S. No. 11993
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MRGCD DATE

Detail "A"



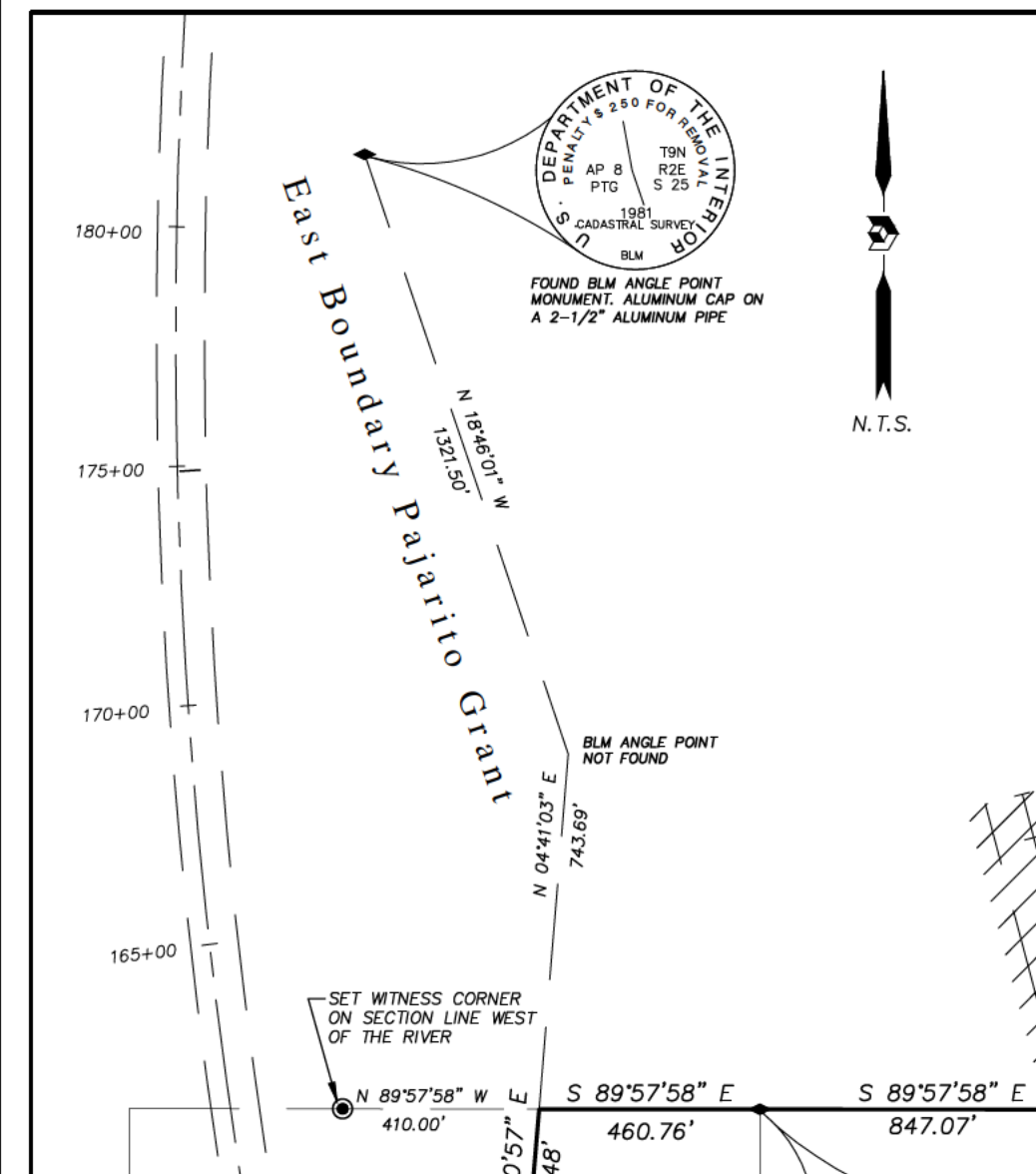
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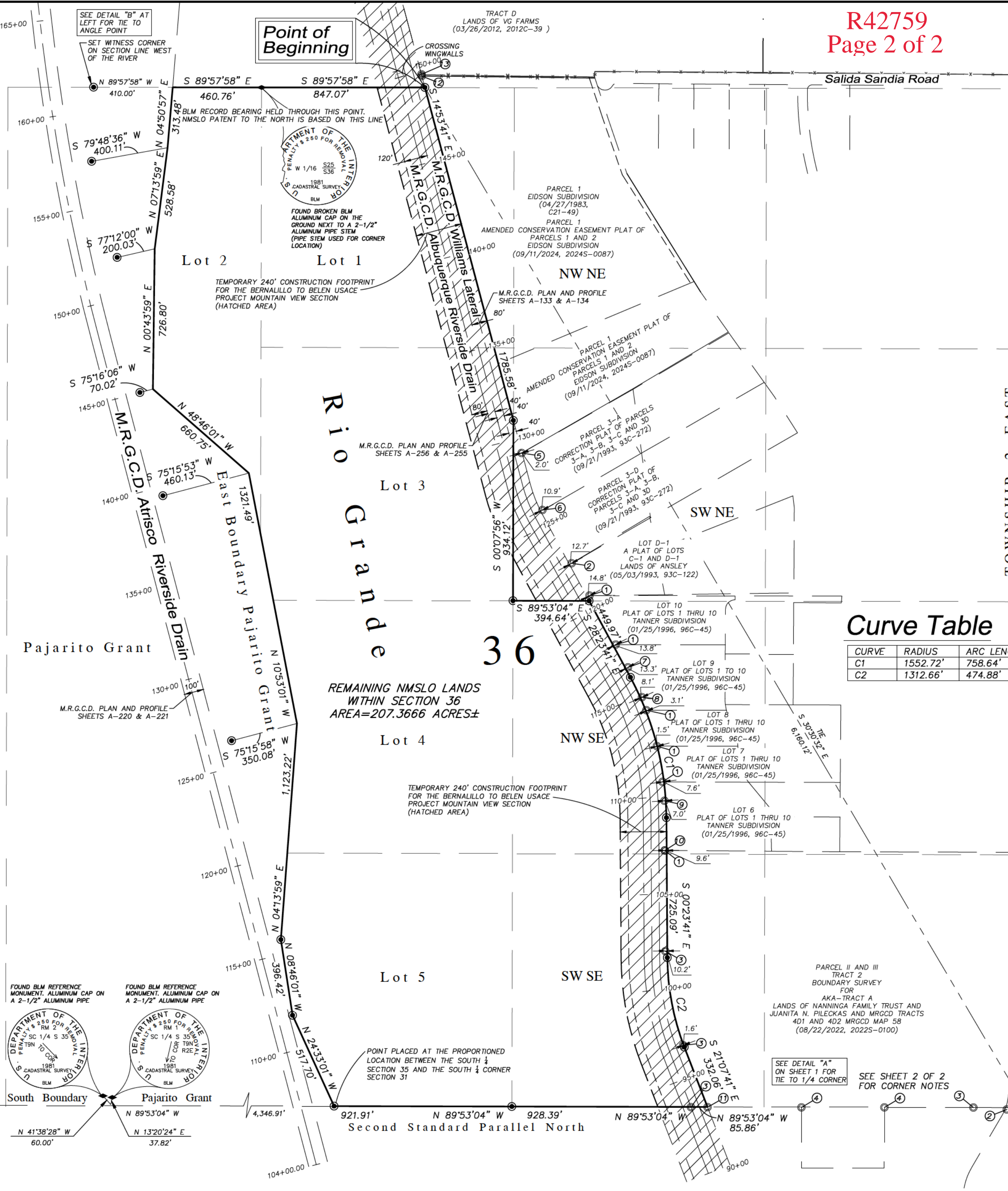


Legend

- N 90°00'00" E MEASURED BEARING AND DISTANCES
- FOUND & USED MONUMENT AS DESIGNATED
 - SET NO. 5 REBAR WITH PINK PLASTIC CAP "L. MEDRANO NMPS 11993"
 - △ FOUND ALUMINUM AGRS MONUMENT AS DESIGNATED
 - ◆ FOUND BRASS CAP
 - x- BARBED WIRE FENCE

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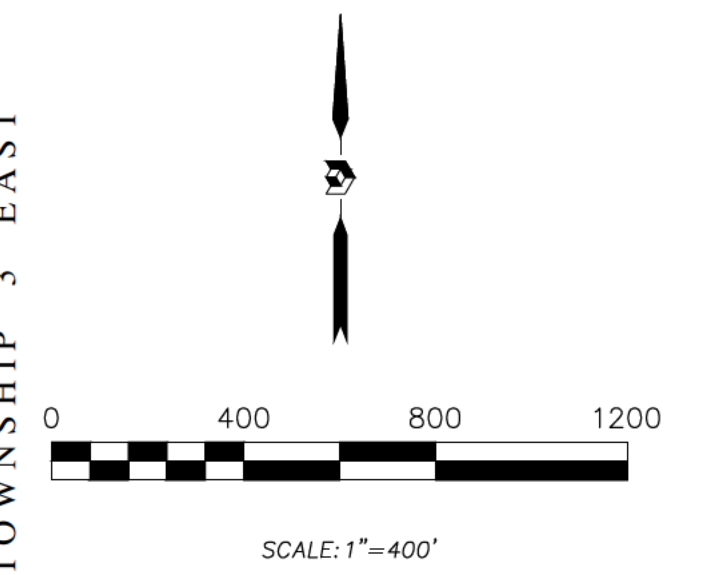
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Corner Notes:

- ① FOUND NO. 4 REBAR WITH YELLOW PLASTIC CAP "PS 10464"
- ② FOUND NO. 4 REBAR
- ③ FOUND NO. 4 REBAR WITH PINK PLASTIC CAP "CARTESIAN LS 18374"
- ④ FOUND NO. 5 REBAR WITH YELLOW PLASTIC CAP "HUGG LS 9750"
- ⑤ FOUND NO. 4 REBAR WITH CAP (DESTROYED/BROKEN)
- ⑥ FOUND NO. 4 REBAR WITH RED PLASTIC CAP "JNS 6256"
- ⑦ FOUND NO. 4 REBAR WITH YELLOW PLASTIC CAP "PS 10464" AND WITH BRASS TAG "PS 11463"
- ⑧ FOUND NO. 4 REBAR WITH YELLOW PLASTIC CAP (MELTED)
- ⑨ FOUND NO. 4 REBAR WITH YELLOW PLASTIC CAP (MELTED) AND WITH BRASS TAG "10464"
- ⑩ FOUND BATHEY-CORRODED T-RAIL ONLY
- ⑪ FOUND BATHEY-USBR ROW-T-RAIL LEANING WITH TOP 6" AND CAP BROKEN OFF
- ⑫ FOUND NO. 4 REBAR WITH RED PLASTIC CAP "ILLEGIBLE" AND WITH BRASS TAG "SOLINSKI PS 17531"
- ⑬ FOUND & HELD NO. 4 REBAR WITH RED PLASTIC CAP "PS 14259"



Curve Table

CURVE	RADIUS	ARC LENGTH	CHORD LENGTH	CHORD BEARING	DELTA ANGLE
C1	1552.72'	758.64'	751.12'	S 14°23'30" E	27°59'39"
C2	1312.66'	474.88'	472.29'	S 10°45'51" E	20°43'40"

AREA OF CONSTRUCTION FOOTPRINT	
ALIQUOT	ACREAGE
LOT 1	7.6903
LOT 3	4.4954
PT. NWSE	7.7266
PT. SWSE	7.3940
TOTAL STATE ACREAGE	27.3063

A.G.R.S. MONUMENT "NM_47_29"
STANDARD C.O.A., BRASS DISC
(FOUND IN PLACE)
NEW MEXICO STATE PLANE COORDINATES
(CENTRAL ZONE-N.A.D. 1983)
N=1441638.0211 US SURVEY FEET
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DELTA ALPHA ANGLE=-01°4'06.08"

A.G.R.S. MONUMENT "6_U13"
STANDARD C.O.A., ALUMINUM DISC
(FOUND IN PLACE)
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(CENTRAL ZONE-N.A.D. 1983)
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Exhibit B
Best Management Practices

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New Mexico State Land Office Required Best Management Practices for Surface Users

1. **Design.** To ensure public safety and the protection of trust resources, projects should be designed to minimize new surface disturbance and should be in compliance with New Mexico State Land Office (NMSLO) best management practices for surface users. The Commissioner of Public Lands may review design plans, and may determine whether professional engineering design or construction oversight is necessary. The Commissioner may waive or include any additional specific best management practices as necessary in the best interest of the trust.
 - a. **Design.**
 - i. No new surface disturbance will be permitted in riparian areas, wetlands, playas or floodplains. There will be a 150-foot setback from the outer wet edges (normal high water mark) of wetlands and playas, and a 50-foot setback from the 100-year flood stage of the floodplain associated with riparian areas. Boring under water features may be allowed if designs are approved.
 - ii. All efforts shall be made to minimize new surface disturbance: new construction shall be located in pre-existing disturbed areas, including existing roadbeds, rights-of-way, or in pre-existing or dedicated development areas and corridors.
 - iii. No new surface disturbance will be permitted within 50-feet of the normal high water mark of ephemeral drainages, floodways, arroyos or other short duration flow channels, except when crossing these channels and drainages. Drainage crossings will be perpendicular to flow, and will be built to accommodate flood events and to control erosion.
 - iv. Design plans shall:
 1. Include a cadastral survey;
 2. Minimize new surface disturbance by locating in pre-existing disturbance areas, or designated development areas or corridors, and designing for minimum necessary area of impact according to expected purpose and use;
 3. Avoid wetlands, known critical habitat and protected areas;
 4. Avoid steep slopes (>12%); grades from 4-10% are preferred for managing drainage; roads and rights-of-way are best placed at the toe of slopes where cross slope is between 5% and 40%;
 5. Preserve as much natural vegetation and living root structure as possible. Use blading only where not to do so would create an unsafe work environment. Mow, or cut and shred vegetation, rather than blading whenever possible. Grubbing is less destructive than blading, and may be used as an alternative where mowing is not possible; in mowing or grubbing, if mesquite or other colonizing non-desirable vegetation is involved, include an herbicide treatment to inhibit spread that may be caused by mowing or grubbing;
 6. Avoid alteration of natural drainage patterns;
 7. Provide adequate surface drainage; as grade steepens drainage features, such as water bars, must be closer together; drainage features on fine grained soils should be closer together;
 8. Reduce impervious surfaces by limiting area of impact;
 9. Account for specific site topography, soil type, drainage and hydrology, i.e. fit construction to the natural terrain by conforming to the ground, rolling the grade,

- minimizing cuts and fills, and managing for erosion; medium to coarse textured soils (sand-sized particles and larger) are best suited to low-standard rural roads;
- 10. Account for cultural resources at least in accordance with minimum standards set forth in NMSLO policy;
- 11. Account for biological resources at least in accordance with minimum standards set forth in NMSLO Policy;
- 12. Include a spill containment and prevention plan where hazardous materials are involved, including requirements for berms and lining where necessary;
- 13. Include a storm water pollution and prevention plan where hazardous materials are involved and the site falls within a 100-year flood plain of any major drainage;
- 14. Include an erosion control plan for drainage crossings, head-cuts, gullies and rills, including soil stabilization structures, ditches, water-bars, and the size and location of culverts and bridges;
- 15. Include a reclamation plan detailing the removal of improvements, soil stabilization and the re-vegetation process;
- 16. Include an access control plan;
- 17. Use only native weed-free certified seed for reclamation;
- 18. Use only certified freshwater (<140 ppm chloride, certified safe drinking water) for reclamation;
- 19. Use local materials where possible;
- 20. Include a noxious weed prevention plan;
- 21. Include a dust abatement plan;
- 22. Address clearing, grading, and cut and fill processes;
- 23. Address crown, inslope, outslope and shoulder design (roads);
- 24. Address trenching and boring design, including depth, casing, core sampling, valve location and access management (pipelines);
- 25. Include professional engineer plans and specifications for bores, bridges, or other major construction elements that present a potential hazard to the public or environment;
- 26. Address span and pole design (powerlines);
- 27. Define use, location and size of temporary work space, temporary storage and turnouts;
- 28. Address logistics of construction;
- 29. Address all pertinent state and federal regulations.

2. **Construction.** Construction involves all aspects of implementation of the design.

a. Construction Practices: During construction the lessee shall:

- i. Control access to the construction site;
- ii. Control unauthorized use of space adjacent to permitted rights-of-way, easements and lease use areas;
- iii. Maintain temporary erosion control structures, such as silt fencing to prevent sediment flow during construction;
- iv. Implement dust abatement plan and use only certified freshwater (<140 ppm chloride, certified safe drinking water) on areas that will be revegetated;
- v. When requested by the Commissioner, engage a compliance inspection officer to monitor quality control and compliance with NMSLO best management practices;
- vi. Sample, test and monitor to ensure construction materials meet design specifications;
- vii. Dispose of unsuitable or excess construction or excavation material in approved locations to minimize adverse impacts to water quality or other resources; construction waste and

debris will not be buried on state trust land without express permission from the Commissioner

3. Maintenance. Roads should be maintained routinely during active use and after major storm events to ensure that road surfaces are intact and serviceable and drainage structures are functioning properly. Pipeline, transmission line and other exclusive rights-of-way should be monitored routinely and maintained when necessary to ensure that public access is closed, drainage is functioning properly, and that reclamation efforts are successful. Operational equipment, work spaces, facilities, and structures shall be maintained routinely during use to function properly and to minimize adverse impacts to the public or the environment. Reclaimed areas, including temporary work spaces, yards, pads, pits, roads, pipelines, transmission lines or other lease areas, should be monitored for at least two years and retreated where necessary to manage erosion, noxious weeds and seeding success. Lessees sharing a right-of-way will be held jointly and severally responsible for maintenance of the right-of-way. The NMSLO encourages holders of shared rights-of-way to develop maintenance agreements.

a. Maintenance Practices: At all times, lessees must stay within the length and width of the permitted right-of-way. If maintenance requires work outside the boundaries of the right-of-way, the lessee must seek an amendment to the right-of-way or a right-of-entry for reclamation or maintenance:

- i. Grade and shape roadway surfaces to maintain distinct inslope, outslope or crown shape to move water effectively off the road surface;
- ii. Compact graded roadway surfaces to preserve hard driving surface; replace surface material when needed; implement dust abatement plans;
- iii. Fill ruts and potholes with gravel or compacted fill or remove ruts through rolling dips and water bars; reshape structures to maintain proper function;
- iv. Clean ditches and reshape when necessary to allow adequate flow capacity;
- v. Remove debris from the entrance of culverts to prevent plugging and overtopping; check for signs of damage;
- vi. Replace or repair rock armor, erosion control structures, or vegetation used for slope protection, scour protection or energy dissipation;
- vii. Inspect and repair fencing, gates, cattle-guards and other access control structures;
- viii. Inspect facilities, structures, equipment and operations for leaks, hazardous material releases, hazardous conditions, and proper functioning condition;
- ix. Inspect reclamation, revegetation and noxious weed treatments and re-treat as necessary to maintain proper functioning of erosion control and establishment of native vegetation.

4. Reclamation. See Attachment A for Sample NMSLO Surface Reclamation Plan.

a. Reclamation Objectives: To reduce and prevent erosion, remove contaminants and contaminated materials, restore clean soils, restore native plant diversity and abundance, restore and maintain hydrological regime, and restore and maintain productive habitat for livestock and wildlife;

b. Applicability: These Reclamation Requirements are applicable to all reclamation activities on state trust lands including: hazardous materials spills/releases, site closure for oil and gas, mineral and business leases, plug and abandon site reclamation, mine site reclamation, pit, pad,

or pond reclamation, illegal dump reclamation, road and pipeline reclamation, dairy farm or other agricultural impact reclamation, and any other clean up or reclamation activity on state trust land;

- c. **Access:** If the spill/release or reclamation project extends beyond the lease boundary or permitted right of way, the responsible party shall contact the NMSLO Rights Of Way Division and **obtain a remediation right-of-entry;**
- d. **Compliance:** Before commencing any new ground disturbing activity, the responsible party shall:
 - i. Conduct an archaeological survey of the impacted area, or verify that the area has already been surveyed and that no cultural properties will be impacted by ground disturbing activities;
 - ii. **Immediately stop all ground disturbing activities and contact NMSLO for further direction, if cultural properties have been impacted by a spill/release or reclamation project;**
 - iii. Verify compliance with NMSLO biological and cultural resource policies for the area to be reclaimed; conduct surveys where necessary;
 - iv. Verify compliance with all state and federal regulations, including but not limited to storm water pollution and prevention, air quality control, and hazardous materials disposal;
- e. **Hazardous Material Spill/Releases:**
 - i. Oil and Gas Activity:
 - Upon discovery of any oil and gas related hazardous material spill or release, either current or historic, the responsible party shall:
 - immediately notify OCD and NMSLO;
 - File C-141 form with OCD;
 - ii. Other Spill/Releases:
 - Upon discovery of any non-oil and gas related hazardous material release, including mine waste, either current or historic, the responsible party shall:
 - immediately notify NMED and NMSLO;
- f. **Delineation:** Upon discovery of contaminated soils, the responsible party shall delineate the horizontal and vertical extent of the contamination; submit a delineation plan for approval by the NMSLO; for oil and gas related contamination, the NMOCD must also approve the delineation plan; the NMSLO may review NMOCD approved plans for adequacy of sampling related to restoration of surface conditions; for non-oil and gas related contamination, the NMED may require delineation and monitoring related to surface and ground water impacts; the NMSLO may require any necessary sampling or reclamation related to the restoration of surface conditions;
- g. **Reclamation Plan:** A reclamation plan shall be submitted with all lease applications involving surface disturbance. In the event of a spill or hazardous materials release, the responsible party shall submit a reclamation plan for approval by the NMSLO within 30 days of completion of delineation. In all other situations, the responsible party must submit a reclamation plan to the

NMSLO within 30 days of receiving a notice to reclaim. The reclamation plan shall address each of the matters cited below; these best management practices shall constitute minimum requirements for reclamation plans submitted under the following rules: leasing for general mining 19.2.2.24, leases and permits for caliche, gypsum, clay, sand, gravel, stone, shale, perlite, volcanic deposits and borrow dirt 19.2.5.9(B); unless otherwise permitted by the NMSLO, the reclamation plan and all earthworks required for reclamation must be approved and completed within 6 months of completion of construction for any right of way lease, or improvement under an agricultural lease, or within 6 months of closure or final use of any business lease, mineral lease, or oil and gas lease;

- h. **Removal/Containment:** The responsible party will remove and replace any contaminated soils, including contaminated caliche or base course. Contaminated soils and caliche shall be disposed of only in state permitted disposal locations such as land farms or hazardous disposal sites, and in accordance with state and federal regulations. Contaminated soils shall be removed at least to the rooting zone. Removal shall be based on site delineation, but in areas of deep saturation and deep soils this depth is typically four feet; removal depth may be less in shallow soils. If any contaminated soil remains at the site the reclamation plan must address containment, including the potential for the contaminant to wick upward into the rooting zone or downward toward groundwater. If complete removal is impossible, the responsible party may apply to the NMSLO for a variance to stabilize and contain the hazardous material that cannot be removed. If the NMSLO agrees, a stabilization and containment plan may replace or supplement the removal and replacement plan. In addition to the removal of contaminated soils, the responsible party will remove all uncontaminated caliche or base course.
- i. **Soil Replacement:** The responsible party will replace contaminated soils, caliche or base course, and uncontaminated caliche or base course, with certified clean top soil; replacement soils should have comparable structure and chemistry to healthy, native undisturbed soils in the vicinity.
- j. **Trash and Debris:** Unless equipment is to be re-used onsite, the responsible party shall remove any trash, debris, garbage, rubbish, junk, scrap, or broken or contaminated equipment, such as pipelines, plastic lining, surface flowlines, tanks, scrap materials of any kind, or other equipment and shall dispose of all such trash and debris in accordance with state and federal regulations within 30 days of final use or completion of construction; no hazardous substances, trash or litter will be buried or placed in pits on state trust land without express written permission of the Commissioner.
- k. **Surface Preparation:** The responsible party will contour the ground surface to blend in with the surrounding topography to allow the natural hydrology of the basin to function without impediment or impact; no major depressions or pits will be left that will trap water or cause ponding except where the project involves a mining pit where there is no possible outlet, slopes will not exceed 3:1 (run to rise).
- l. **Erosion Control:** Where active transportation of sediment through gullying, headcutting, slumping or deep or excessive rills (greater than 3 inches deep) occurs within the lease area or within the adjacent area of impact, the responsible party will install erosion control structures to repair and control gullies, head-cuts, rills, and other forms of sediment movement;
 - i. Erosion control structures shall be designed to restore natural hydrological function and

- flood regime, and to the extent possible should use local rock or bio-degradable materials and low-energy, minimum-necessary designs;
- ii. Erosion control structures may include, but are not limited to, one rock dams, rock mulch rundowns, zuni bowls, media lunas, swales, berms, terraces, wattles, rock or log mats, hay mulch, gabions, bales or other stabilizing enhancements to control erosion;
- m. **Drainage Control:** Where ephemeral, intermittent or permanent water flow-ways or drainages cross, intersect or bisect a lease, the responsible party shall install drainage control structures to manage water flow, especially across roads, pipeline rights of way, or other structures that may interfere with natural drainage;
- i. Drainage control structures shall be designed to mimic natural hydrological function and flood regime as much as possible so as not to increase the erosional impact of hydrologic flows to the structure or to the upstream or downstream landscape; drainage control designs shall be engineered or built in consultation with the NRCS and approved by the NMSLO;
 - ii. Drainage control structures may include but are not limited to road bars, culverts, water bars, parallel and lateral ditches, drains, and low water crossings;
- n. **Seedbed Preparation:** All disturbed soils within the lease area will be revegetated. The responsible party will prepare the seedbed in consultation with the NMSLO to maximize potential for success. This may include, but is not limited to, a combination of watering with certified fresh water (<140 ppm chloride), mechanical packing to consolidate loose soils, disking or ripping to loosen compacted soils (up to 18 inch depth with furrow spacing of 2 feet), crimping hay mulch into the soil (2 tons/acre), furrowing or imprint rolling to create microhabitats, scarifying (minimum 4 inch depth), adding soil amendments, contouring and/or importing top soil. Note: Caliche is not top soil and should not be mixed or flipped into the top soil.
- o. **Revegetation:** The responsible party will seed the prepared seedbed with a drill seeder or hydraulic seeder with different sized seed boxes; unless otherwise authorized by the NMSLO, hydro-seeding will be used on 3:1 slopes or greater; all disturbed areas will be seeded with the seed mixture(s) provided or approved by the NMSLO; the seed mixture will be planted in the amounts specified in pounds of pure live seed per acre; the seed will contain no primary or secondary noxious weeds; commercial seed will be either certified or registered seed; the seed drill will be equipped with a depth regulator, and seed will be planted at the depth prescribed by the NMSLO; the seed mixture will be evenly and uniformly planted over the disturbed area; seed mixes should be provided in bags separating seed types into size categories, to ensure that the appropriate seed drill box is used for each species; broadcast seeding will only be allowed when no other option is available; where broadcast seeding, the area should be disked with a tandem, double-disk harrow, one day prior to broadcast seeding and the lbs/acre are to be doubled; seeding will be conducted no more than two weeks following completion of final seedbed preparation; seeding should take place at the beginning of the growing season prior to the monsoon season unless otherwise directed; seeding will be repeated until a satisfactory stand is established as determined by the NMSLO; evaluation of growth will not be made before completion of at least one full growing season after seeding; seeding will be repeated until a satisfactory stand is established.
- p. **Noxious Weeds.** The responsible party will prepare a noxious weed plan in consultation with the NMSLO and noxious weeds will be monitored and treated on an annual basis until controlled.

- q. **Access Control.** Unless otherwise authorized by the NMSLO, the responsible party will close all reclamation areas to public access; private access points will be gated, fenced and signed; unauthorized or trespass access points will be permanently closed and signed;
- i. **Gate and Fencing Specifications:** Unless otherwise directed by the NMSLO, a locked metal gate with 4-inch H-braces and a permanent fence extending at least 100 feet from either side of the gate, or to the next adjacent gate, will be installed to block public access to all closed reclamation sites; fence will be constructed with steel T-posts on 16-foot spacing, with stays every 8 feet and 4 strands of barbed wire; the top wire should be set at 42 inches above the ground surface; inline braces will be used at intervals not to exceed 660 feet; corners will be braced and set in concrete; fence wire will be attached on the outside of the T-posts with wire ties;
 - ii. **Permanent Closure Specifications:** Dirt berms, permanent hard barriers or rock barricades will be installed to block unauthorized access points to reclamation sites; berms and barriers will be at least 3 feet high and will extend the width of the access point; berms will be hard packed; barriers and barricades may be constructed of metal pipe rail, concrete, or rock and may be used in combination with berm work to ensure closure of an access point;
 - iii. **Signage:** Signs should be noticeably visible and should clearly state that public access is not authorized.
- r. **Monitoring.** The responsible party will monitor the reclamation site annually until relinquished by the NMSLO; prior to relinquishment, the NMSLO may require supplemental clean up, maintenance of erosion control structures, additional reseeding efforts, or noxious weed treatments to ensure success of reclamation; the NMSLO may request detailed annual monitoring reports depending on the severity of the situation.
- s. **Reporting.** The NMSLO may require weekly updates during the course of the initial reclamation work; weekly updates will include a brief narrative statement of work completed with photo documentation; upon completion of the initial reclamation work, the responsible party will notify the NMSLO that the site is ready for inspection; annual monitoring reports may be required depending on the severity of the situation.
- t. **Relinquishment:** The NMSLO will inspect the initial reclamation work upon completion and will provide the responsible party with a statement indicating that the initial work has been completed as required and detailing any follow up work that may be necessary prior to relinquishment; notice of relinquishment will be provided upon complete satisfaction of all NMSLO reclamation requirements.

5. Resources.

Reducing Erosion from Unpaved Rural Roads in New Mexico, A Guide to Road Construction and Maintenance Practices; State of New Mexico Natural Resources Department Soil and Water Conservation Division, November 1983.

The Gold Book, Surface Operating Standards and Guidelines for Oil and Gas Exploration and Development; Bureau of Land Management, Fourth Edition—Revised 2007.

New Mexico Forest Practices Guidelines; Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department, Forestry Division.

Low-Volume Roads Engineering BMPs; https://www.fs.fed.us/t-d/programs/forest_mgmt/projects/lowvolroads/ch4.pdf

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Revegetation Guidelines Handbook for Southeastern New Mexico, New Mexico State Land Office, July 2018.

6. Authorities.

ROW Rule: (19.2.10 NMAC)

A ROW lessee shall file an affidavit of completion within 60 days of completion. 19.2.10.21 NMAC

ROWs may be used only for authorized uses as granted (e.g. a pipeline or powerline ROW may not be used as a public road). 19.2.10.22 NMAC

The CPL may terminate any ROW for failure to comply with any term or condition of the grant. 19.2.10.26 NMAC

Anyone constructing a ROW, in consultation with the CPL, must take all steps necessary to preserve and protect the natural environmental conditions of the land including reclamation and re-vegetation. 19.2.10.28 NMAC.

Road Rule: (19.2.20 NMAC)

All roads constructed on state trust lands shall be constructed in accordance with the minimum requirements described in 19.2.20.10 NMAC and maintained in accordance with the standards described in 19.2.20.11 NMAC. 19.2.20.9(A) NMAC.

Construction and maintenance of these roads will be done in a manner that insures that authorized traffic remains within the right-of-way and erosion damage is mitigated. 19.2.20.9(C) NMAC.

Road Construction Standards: (19.2.20.10 NMAC)

Width. 14' single lane, 20' double lane, maximum grade 10% without engineered design. 19.2.20.10(A) NMAC.

Drainage. Drainage control shall be ensured through the use of dips, turnouts, and culverts etc. Drainages will be constructed in such frequency necessary to prevent headcuts or other forms of accelerated erosion or damage on adjacent areas. 19.2.20.10(A) NMAC.

Culverts. Culverts shall be used on grades in excess of 10% and all major drainages and on roads when dips are not feasible.

Road Surfacing: Roadbeds should be surfaced where all weather access is needed. Roadbeds should be reasonably smooth, free of ruts, chuckholes, rocks, slides, washboards, dust pockets, soft spots or other driving hazards.

Fencing: 4-strand barbed wire, 12-inch spacing.

Road Maintenance Standards: (19.2.20.11 NMAC)

Lessees shall be responsible for preventative and/or corrective road maintenance, including roadbeds, shoulders, ditches, culverts and drainages, fences, gates and cattle guards, ford and low water crossings. 19.2.20.11 NMAC.

Reclamation: (19.2.20.12 NMAC)

The seedbed will be prepared and the roadbed reseeded. 19.2.20.12 NMAC.

Oil and Gas Rule: (19.2.100 NMAC)

Site Development: All access roads shall be built, maintained and reclaimed in accordance with 19.2.20 NMAC.

Review and Inspection: State land office personnel or oil conservation division personnel may, from time to time, recommend actions necessary to comply with reasonable use of the surface and prudent operator standards. (19.2.100.66(D) (1) NMAC

ATTACHMENT A to EXHIBIT B

(SAMPLE)

SURFACE RECLAMATION AND CLOSE OUT PLAN

Lessee: _____

1. **Purpose.** The purpose of this Reclamation Plan is to provide for the restoration of trust land to its original condition existing prior to the placement of any improvements.
2. **Timing.** Unless otherwise permitted by the NMSLO, this reclamation plan and all earthworks required for reclamation must be implemented and completed within six months following closure of all activity or final use under this business lease. Monitoring, maintenance, revegetation and noxious weed treatments may be required to continue until final relinquishment.
3. **Interim Reclamation.** After initial construction has been completed, all portions of the location not essential to necessary operations or maintenance will be reclaimed within six months of completion of construction and in accordance with the provisions below.
4. **Structures, Equipment, Trash and Debris.** Unless structures or equipment are to be re-used on site, any structure, equipment, trash, debris, garbage, rubbish, junk, scrap, or broken or contaminated equipment, such as pipelines, plastic lining, surface flowlines, tanks, vehicles, scrap materials of any kind, or other equipment must be removed and disposed of in accordance with state and federal regulations within 30 days of final use or completion of construction; no hazardous substances, trash or litter will be buried or placed in pits.
5. **Delineation.** If hazardous materials have been used on site and if such materials may have leaked or spilled or been released on site, or if such materials have caused contamination to the soils, the Lessee will delineate the horizontal and vertical extent of the contamination; a hazardous materials delineation plan must be approved by the NMSLO; for oil and gas related contamination, the NMOCD must also approve the delineation plan; the NMSLO may review NMOCD approved plans for adequacy of sampling related to restoration of surface conditions; for non-oil and gas related contamination, the NMED may require delineation and monitoring related to surface and ground water impacts; the NMSLO may require any necessary sampling or reclamation related to the restoration of surface conditions.

- 6. Hazardous Materials Reclamation Plan.** In the event of a spill or hazardous materials release, a specific hazardous materials reclamation plan must be submitted to, and approved by, the NMSLO within 30 days of completion of delineation. The hazardous materials reclamation plan should address each of the matters described below.
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- 10. Surface Preparation.** The Lessee will contour the ground surface to blend in with the surrounding topography and to allow the natural hydrology of the basin to function without impediment or impact; no major depressions or pits will be left that will trap water or cause ponding except where the project involves a mining pit where there is no possible outlet; slopes will not exceed 3:1 (run to rise).
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structures to repair and control gullies, head-cuts, rills, and other forms of sediment movement;

- a. Erosion control structures will be designed to restore natural hydrological function and flood regime, and to the extent possible will use local rock or bio-degradable materials and low-energy, minimum-necessary designs;
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 - c. **Signage:** Signs should be noticeably visible and should clearly state that public access is not authorized.
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19. Relinquishment: The NMSLO will inspect the initial reclamation work upon completion and will provide the Lessee with a statement indicating that the initial work has been completed as required and detailing any follow up work that may be necessary prior to relinquishment; notice of relinquishment will be provided upon complete satisfaction of all NMSLO reclamation requirements; business Lessee obligations to remove improvements and to restore trust land shall survive the termination of the lease (NMAC 19.2.9.17(B)).

Exhibit C
Access to Easement

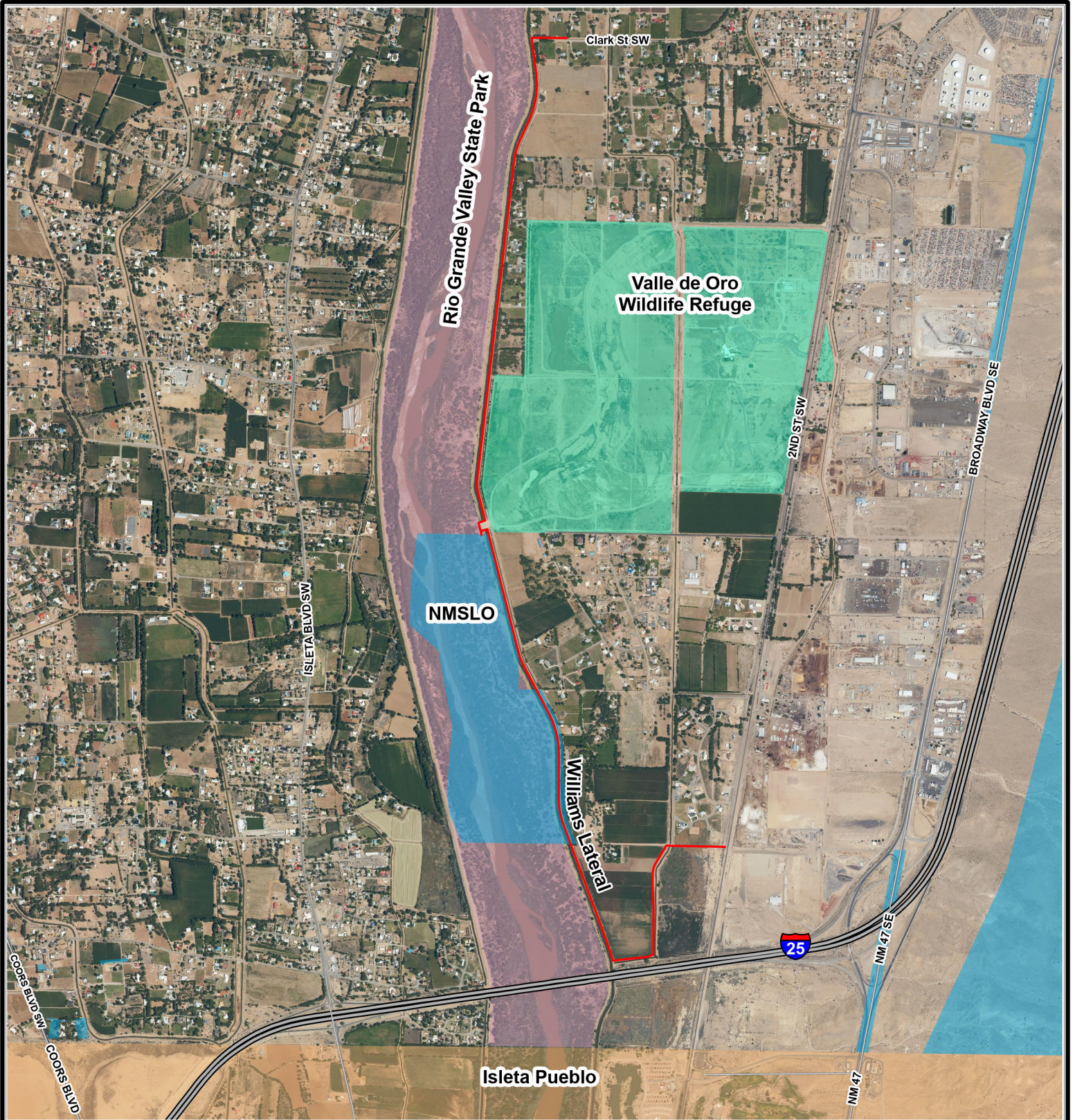
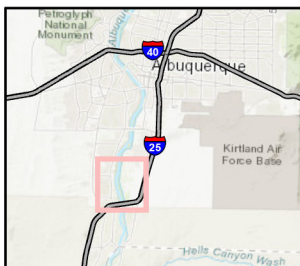


Exhibit C: Authorized Ingress/Egress Routes



Ingress Egress



State Trust Lands Ownership

Both Estates

Other Surface Ownership

Isleta Pueblo

Valle de Oro National Wildlife Refuge

Rio Grande Valley State Park

Road Network

Interstate

Highway



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Exhibit D
Biological Stipulations

EXHIBIT D: BIOLOGICAL STIPULATIONS

Approval is recommended with the following stipulations:

- Conduct field-based biological surveys (general inventory, raptor nest, and burrows) for wildlife, including at a minimum state and federal listed species and species of greatest conservation need that are known to occur or are likely to occur within the lease area. Apply setbacks as described in Table 1. If applying the setback is not possible, site-specific strategies for mitigation will be determined in consultation with the NMSLO Wildlife Biologist.
 - Submit survey results to bio@nmslo.gov.
- Conduct migratory bird nesting surveys within one week prior to any initial ground disturbance or vegetation removal during March 1st – August 31st. Where active nests are present within the proposed area of disturbance, construction will be postponed until all nestlings have fledged. In these cases, nest monitoring will be required.
 - Submit survey results to bio@nmslo.gov.
- Follow New Mexico Department of Game and Fish guidelines for trench monitoring, including installation of wildlife escape ramps, during installation.
- Follow Section 7 Requirements
- No new surface disturbance will be permitted within the boundaries of a surface water resource except crossings covered under a Clean Water Act Nationwide Permit. Apply setbacks as described in Table 2. If applying the setback is not possible, site-specific strategies for mitigation will be determined in consultation with the NMSLO Surface Resources Division.
- Follow Compliance Standards as applicable in Table 3.

Table 1: Setbacks for wildlife.

Species/Feature	Buffer Type	Distance (m)
General Wildlife		
Rodenticides, pesticides, chemical dust palliative use	Setback	100
Mammals		
Den, burrow or colony of state or federal listed species or species of greatest conservation need: Active within 2 years	Setback	100
State or federal listed bat species or bat species of greatest conservation need: Active roosting sites, important use areas, including cave and karst features and bridges	Setback	400
Birds		
Raptors: landscape features—ridges, cliffs, canyons, ravines, large trees	Setback	200
Listed species (federal or state): landscape features—important use areas, roosting sites, foraging areas	Setback	300
Eagles: Active roosting sites, important use areas	Setback	400
Lesser Prairie-Chicken: Active lek	Setback	1 mile
Aquatic Species (state or federal listed species or species of greatest conservation need)		
Damming, diverting, blocking, channeling, paving, deepening, widening any surface water resource habitat	Setback	100
Occupied riparian habitat	Setback	100
Amphibians and Reptiles (state or federal listed species or species of greatest conservation need)		
Den, burrow, or nesting site: Active	Setback	100

Table 2. Setbacks for wetlands and waterways.

Species/Feature	Buffer Type	Distance (m)
Perennial or intermittent waterway, lake, wetland or playa	Setback	100
Spring or seep	Setback	30
Ephemeral drainage, floodway, wash, arroyo or other short duration flow channel, except when crossing	Setback	30
Rodenticides, pesticides, chemical dust palliative use	Setback	200

Table 3. Compliance Standards for potentially occurring activities.

Species/Feature	Action Required/Compliance Standard	Distance (m)
Birds		
Active nest – all	Suspend activity	75
Active nest – all	Temporary Signage/Fencing	200
Burrowing Owl: Active nest	Suspend Activity	200
Listed species (federal or state) – Active nests	Suspend Activity	300
Raptors: Active nests	Suspend Activity	400
Eagles: Active nests	Suspend Activity	800
Eagles: Attractive nuisance	Carcass Removal	
Wetlands and waterways		
Ephemeral channel crossing when permitted	Perpendicular to flow and built to accommodate flood events and to control erosion	
Surface water resource of any kind	Spill prevention, control and countermeasure plan	200

Figure 1. The proposed easement is located in Bernalillo County.

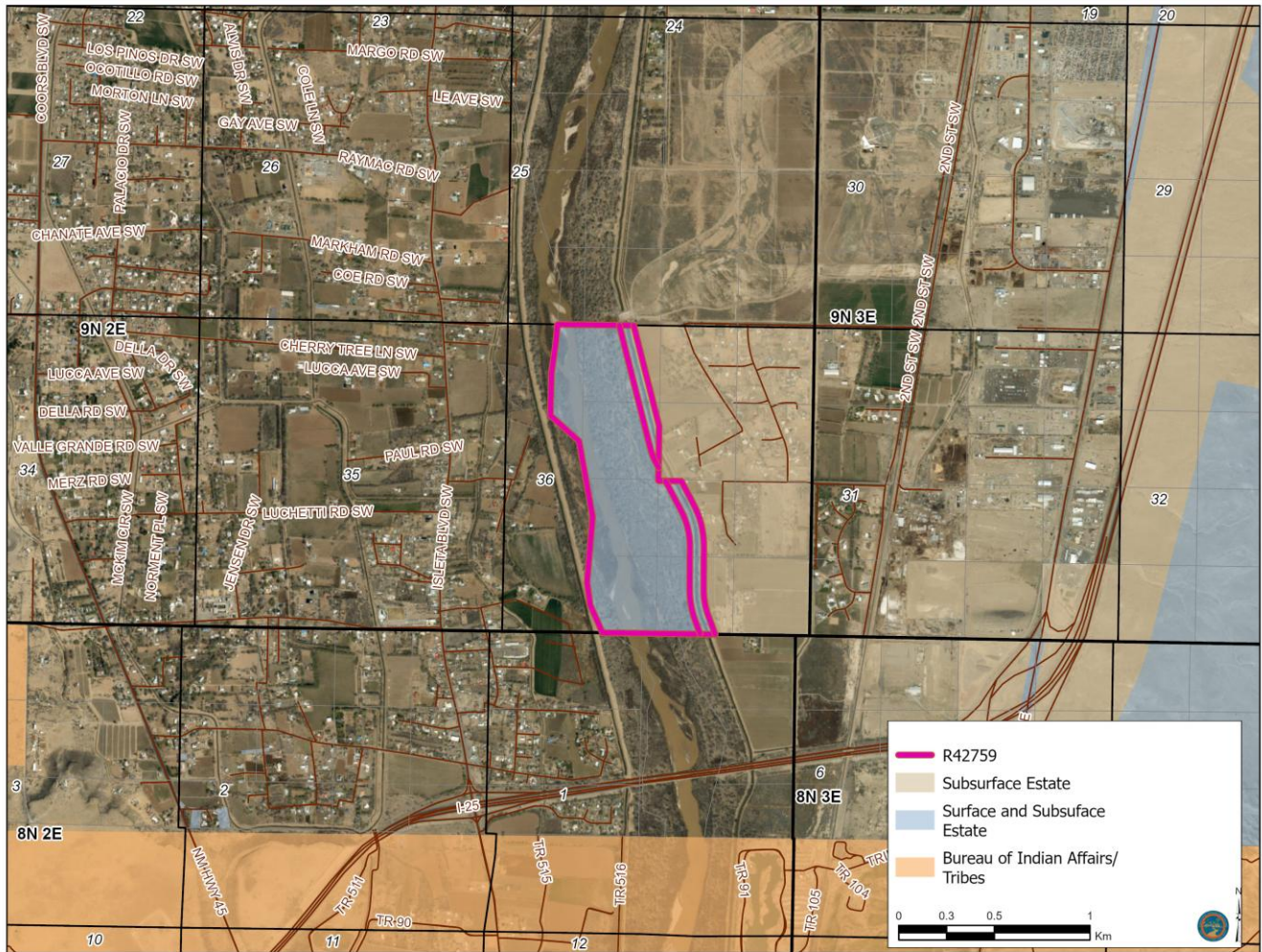
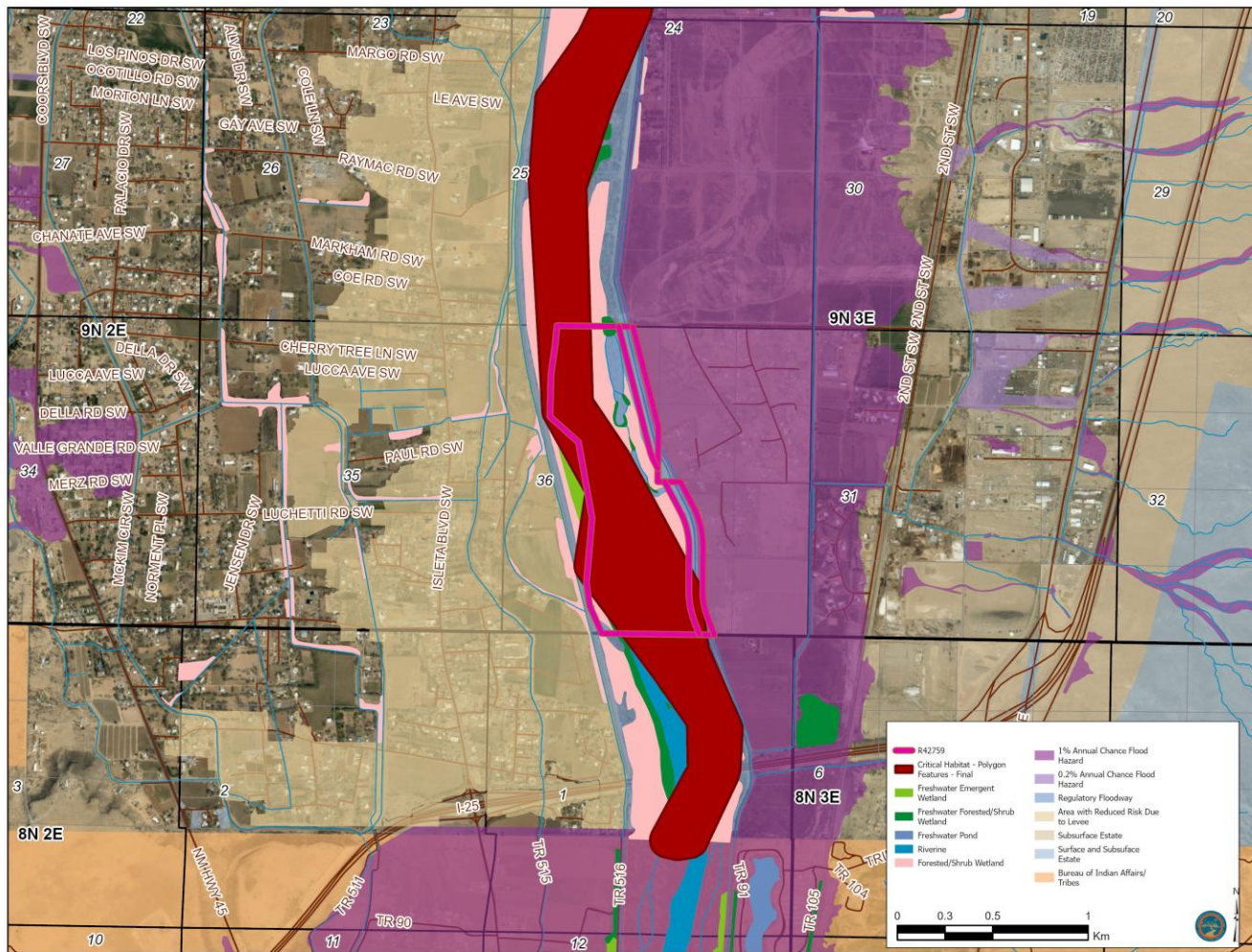


Figure 2. Overview of the proposed easement area.



Appendix A: Species of Economic and Recreational Importance and Species of Concern that may be present in the project area and vicinity.

Species of Concern (SOC)

- Rio Grande silvery minnow (*Hybognathus amarus*)
 - Status in US: Endangered
 - Status in NM: Endangered
 - NMDGF: Species of Greatest Conservation Need (SGCN)
 - Heritage NM: Critically Imperiled in NM (S1)



MEMORANDUM

To: Chairman Kelly & MRGCD Board of Directors

From: Casey Ish, Director, Land and Conservation Department

Date: April 13th, 2026

Re: Report on MRGCD Interagency Fire Coordination Meeting, April 2nd, 2026

Mr. Chair,

MRGCD staff hosted a meeting of Middle Rio Grande first responders on April 2nd to unveil our new Fire Risk Assessment Model and receive feedback on the tool from our partners. Feedback was positive with multiple opportunities for improvement and adaptation identified by MRGCD and first responders. This meeting set the tone for what will likely be a challenging fire season in the MRG. Staff will be making the model available to any agency requesting access and we will be actively collecting data from our first responder counterparts in order to update the model and dashboard. Updates that are currently pending include

- Known Jetty Jack Lines
- Utility Crossings
- Access Points for the Bosque
- Critical Habitat Locations
- Engineered Dip Sites
- Treatment Polygons

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Director of Lands & Conservation



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MEMORANDUM

To: Chairman Kelly, Board of Directors
 Through: Jason M. Casuga, CEO/Chief Engineer
 From: Pamela Fanelli, CFO, Finance
 Date: April 13, 2026
 Re: Consideration/Approval Isleta Settlement Payment

Summary:

An agreement was signed in October of 2016 with the BOR for the contribution to a Global Settlement Agreement with Isleta Pueblo. MRGCD agreed to contribute \$2,500,000 in cash or in-kind projects aimed at alleviating adverse sediment conditions. The MRGCD contributed to several projects that reduced the obligation to \$630,173.04.

The contract required indexing after 5 years based on the previous year's CPI Index. This increased the amount owed to \$734,860.24.

The MRGCD would like to eliminate the liability and stop the indexing by making a payment directly to Isleta Pueblo for the entire amount owed of \$734,860.24. The BOR is in agreement with this plan.

The funds will be taken from surplus realized in FY26. This amount is included in Resolution BA-04-13-26-113.

Isleta Settlement Index Amount		
Year	CPI	Remaining Balance
2021	277.95	
2022	297.71	\$630,173.00
2023	307.05	\$674,980.33
2024	315.49	\$696,156.29
2025	324.12	\$715,296.28
2026		\$734,860.24
2025* (NOV because OCT is missing for 2025)		

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Board of Directors approve this payment.

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
MIDDLE RIO GRANDE CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

Adoption of Amended Budget for Fiscal Year 2026 (07-01-25 to 06-30-26)
Operating, Long-Term Assets, Debt Service, and Grant Fund

No. BA-04-13-26-113

WHEREAS, staff of the Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District, State of New Mexico ("MRGCD"), has developed a budget for fiscal year 2025/2026; and

WHEREAS, the budget was adopted by the Governing Body of the Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District on May 12, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Local Government Division of the Department of Finance and Administration approved said budget; and

WHEREAS, the original budget requires an amendment to update appropriations for unbudgeted revenues and expenditures; and

WHEREAS, the following adjustments will be made in Fiscal Year 2026:

Fund	Project	Project Name	Budget Amount
1		Isleta Diversion Dam Add Expenditures	Settlement Liability Payment 734,860.24
4		State Land Office Right of Way Add Expenditures	R42759 Bernalillo to Belen Mountain View Unit Levee 123,358.21
7	31304	Equipment Loan FY26 Add Transfer Rev Debt Svc Add Interest Loan Expenditures Add Loan Expenditures	Loan payments to begin May FY26 115,788.24 19,763.24 96,025.00
8	G3753	NMISC CA A23H2373 Add Revenue Add Expenditures	Additional grant expenditures not budgeted in FY 26 625,000.00 625,000.00
8	G3733	BernCo. Ag Water Efficiency Add Revenue Add Expenditures	Additional grant expenditures not budgeted in FY 26 8,641.40 8,641.40

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors, being the Governing Body of the MRGCD, approves the amendment to the Fiscal Year 2026 budget and instructs the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer to submit the amended budget to the Local Government Division of the Department of Finance and Administration for approval.

RESOLVED: in session this 13th day of April 2026.

MIDDLE RIO GRANDE CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

John P. Kelly, Chairman

Colin T. Baugh, Vice Chairman

Stephanie Russo Baca, Director

J. Chris Lopez, Director

Michael T. Sandoval, Director

Brian Jiron, Director

Karen Dunning, Director

ATTEST:

Pamela Fanelli, CMA, CGFM
Secretary-Treasurer/CFO

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To: Board of Directors

From: Pam Fanelli

Date: April 13, 2026

Subject: Third Quarter FY2026 Financial Summary – Governmental Funds

Overview

The District's third quarter FY2026 financial performance falls within budget expectations. Several budget adjustments have been made to revenue and expenditures. The budget adjustments have affected the general fund, the levee fund, and the grant fund. Ad Valorem revenue is trending higher than budgeted, but it is difficult to tell until the second payment comes in from the counties. The equipment loan closed and was recorded in the general fund.

General Fund – Budget to Actual

- **Revenues:** Total revenues are \$23,067,076 plus other financing sources totaling \$4,127,911. This includes 8 months of Ad Valorem Distributions, July through February. We are trending higher Ad Valorem revenue, from Bernalillo County and Valencia County, based on the 3Q FY25. The MRGCD budgeted for a 3% increase in Ad Valorem for FY26. The final ad valorem increase will not be known until July 2026. Licensing fees are trending above budget due to the new fee schedule.
- **Expenditures:** Total expenditures are \$21,941,639 up \$1.8M from 3Q FY25. The primary reasons are highlighted below.
 - Salaries/benefits: +\$957K (union and other increases)
 - Federal O&M Svc: +\$374K (SJC O&M)
 - Employee & Board Related Costs: +\$205 (election, retiree healthcare, stipends)
 - Vehicle & equipment O&M: +\$184 (Parts & Repairs, tires, diesel)
 - Capital Expenditures: +\$1.1 million Budget Adjustment for the Belen Highline rundown #2. Since we created a balanced budget, this created a deficit of \$1.1 million with the expectation of using surplus revenues or fund balance.

Grant Fund

- **Revenues-\$19,563,710**
 - Grant: \$17,257,427

- Loan Proceeds: \$705,927
 - Match transfers in from the Capital Investment Fund: \$1,600,356
 - **Expenditures:** \$18,877,975 (including transfers out)
 - **Status:** There is \$10,898 of expenditures that have not been billed as of the 3Q 2026. Waiting on checks to clear and \$696,633 in advance revenue that will be deferred at year-end if not spent.
 - **Looking Ahead:** Additional expenditures will be incurred in the 4th quarter for Feeder 3 and Corrales. The remaining balances will be spent in FY27.
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Capital Investment Fund

- **Revenues:** \$3,244,679 (ad valorem). Ad valorem revenues are trending slightly higher than budgeted; however, it's too early to forecast the exact amount of any expected surplus.
 - **Expenditures:** \$1,351,724, which includes \$784,606 of capital expenditures and \$567,118 in non-capital expenditures. Transfer to the Debt Service totals \$520,934, and to the Grant Fund \$1,600,356.
 - **Analysis:** Any fund balance brought forward in this fund will be spent in FY27 on the Corrales Siphon and Feeder 3 projects.
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**Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District
Budget to Actual - General Fund (1) FY2026
For the Periods Ending March 31, 2026**

Line	Original Budget	Encmbr rolled forward	Original Budget + Encmbr RF	Budget Adjustment	Revised Budget	Variance with Original Budget- Over(under) Final Budget	Actual	Encumbrances	(Under)/Over
REVENUES									
1	2,411,280		2,411,280		2,411,280	-	1,655,957	-	(755,323)
2	16,338,510		16,338,510		16,338,510	-	11,631,088	-	(4,707,422)
3	4,809,780		4,809,780		4,809,780	-	3,844,324	-	(965,456)
4	675,250		675,250		675,250	-	474,577	-	(200,673)
5	3,150,885		3,150,885		3,150,885	-	2,773,097	-	(377,788)
6	23,000		23,000		23,000	-	34,684	-	11,684
7	63,505		63,505		63,505	-	347,753	-	284,248
8	600,000		600,000		600,000	-	587,613	-	(12,387)
9	-		-		-	-	7,544	-	7,544
10	-		-		-	-	338,835	-	338,835
11	1,673,750		1,673,750		1,673,750	-	1,234,500	-	(439,250)
12	365,000		365,000		365,000	-	50,000	-	(315,000)
13	-		-		-	-	-	-	-
14	113,000		113,000	232,926	345,926	232,926	87,104	200	(258,622)
15	30,223,960	-	30,223,960	232,926	30,456,886	232,926	23,067,076	200	(7,389,610)
EXPENDITURES									
16	12,940,188		12,940,188		12,908,413	(31,775)	9,035,276	-	(3,873,137)
17	5,188,933		5,188,933		5,188,933	-	3,590,548	6,678	(1,591,707)
18	778,298	540	778,838		658,059	(120,239)	482,134	77,802	(98,123)
19	403,898	128,060	531,958		743,155	339,257	375,805	105,567	(261,783)
20	594,485	80,794	675,279		677,859	83,374	345,797	118,784	(213,278)
21	1,503,405	26,570	1,529,975		1,598,433	95,028	1,244,135	241,991	(112,307)
22	750,019	11,359	761,378		700,077	(49,942)	496,896	97,529	(105,652)
23	511,545		511,545		511,545	-	370,276	-	(141,269)
24	160,200		160,200		167,200	7,000	119,329	999	(46,872)
25	90,000	12,073	102,073		158,911	68,911	128,075	23,588	(7,248)
26	1,522,900	3,277	1,526,177		1,436,983	(85,917)	905,772	84,765	(446,446)
27	2,165,100	18,740	2,183,840		2,385,512	220,412	1,611,514	86,361	(687,637)
28	150,000	14,523	164,523		130,177	(19,823)	67,178	-	(62,999)
29	21,400	2,295	23,695		23,010	1,610	9,749	193	(13,068)
30	1,826,304	81,817	1,908,121		1,910,675	84,371	1,291,529	472,047	(147,099)
31	448,755	51,887	500,642	232,926	733,568	284,813	198,861	274,742	(259,965)
32	100,000		100,000		100,000	-	-	-	(100,000)
33	336,000	38,549	374,549		436,302	100,302	170,121	235,580	(30,601)
34	150,000		150,000		150,000	-	-	-	(150,000)
	32,648	6,477	39,125		94,881	62,233	64,805	8,043	(22,033)
35	4,228,882	364,781	4,593,663	1,107,639	5,742,574	1,513,692	1,433,839	3,256,416	(1,052,319)
36	33,902,960	841,742	34,744,702	1,340,565	36,456,267	2,553,307	21,941,639	5,091,085	(9,423,543)
Excess (deficiency) of revenues less									
37	(3,679,000)	(841,742)	(4,520,742)	(1,107,639)	(5,999,381)	(2,320,381)	1,125,437	(5,090,885)	2,033,933
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)									
38	4,000,000		4,000,000		4,000,000	-	3,966,995	-	(33,005)
39	-		-		-	-	-	-	-
40	50,000		50,000		50,000	-	128,864	-	78,864
41	-		-		-	-	32,052	-	32,052
42	(371,000)		(371,000)		-	371,000	-	-	-
44	3,679,000	-	3,679,000	-	4,050,000	371,000	4,127,911	-	77,911
45	-	(841,742)	(841,742)	(1,107,639)	(1,949,381)	(1,949,381)	5,253,348	(5,090,885)	2,111,844

Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District
General Fund - Comparison of FY 26 to FY 25 Actual Revenues & Expenditures
For the Periods Ending March 31, 2026

Line	2025 Actual	2026 Actual	Increase (Decrease) FY26 over FY25
REVENUES			
1 Ad valorem taxes & interest- Sandoval County	1,516,551	1,655,957	139,406
2 Ad valorem taxes & interest- Bernalillo County	10,130,713	11,631,088	1,500,375
3 Ad valorem taxes & interest -Valencia County	3,087,706	3,844,324	756,618
4 Ad valorem taxes & interest-Socorro County	514,257	474,577	(39,680)
5 Water service charges	2,459,185	2,773,097	313,912
6 Alternative curtailment location fees	21,058	34,684	13,626
7 Licensing fees	61,190	347,753	286,563
8 Interest on investments	639,340	587,613	(51,727)
9 Realized gains/(loss) on investments	23,305	7,544	(15,761)
10 Unrealized gain/(loss) on investments	136,368	338,835	202,467
11 Project Contract Revenue - federal	637,500	1,234,500	597,000
12 Project Contract Revenue - local	50,000	50,000	-
13 Operating and capital grants	-	-	-
14 Other	80,726	87,104	6,378
15 Total revenues	19,357,899	23,067,076	3,709,177
EXPENDITURES			
16 Salaries	8,249,019	9,035,276	786,257
17 Employee benefits	3,419,972	3,590,548	170,576
18 Employee & board related costs	276,255	482,134	205,879
19 General & administrative expenses	290,313	375,805	85,492
20 Professional services	267,296	345,797	78,501
21 Insurance & legal services	1,355,602	1,244,135	(111,467)
22 Technology & communication	492,805	496,896	4,091
23 Ad valorem collection fees	321,444	370,276	48,832
24 Utilities	124,739	119,329	(5,410)
25 Facility maintenance	58,156	128,075	69,919
26 Division maintenance, const, rehab	880,767	905,772	25,005
27 Vehicle & equipment O&M	1,428,008	1,611,514	183,506
28 Conservation program	12,773	67,178	54,405
29 Safety program	7,618	9,749	2,131
30 Federal O&M services	917,587	1,291,529	373,942
O&M services Low Flow	-	-	-
31 Govern/assoc agreements, community outreach	166,875	198,861	31,986
32 Watershed management	-	-	-
33 Projects	32,886	170,121	137,235
34 Endangered species act projects	-	-	-
Lease & SBITA Payments	47,439	64,805	17,366
35 Capital expenditures	1,803,030	1,433,839	(369,191)
36 Total expenditures	20,152,584	21,941,639	1,789,055
37 Excess (deficiency) of revenues less Expenditures	(794,685)	1,125,437	1,920,122
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)			
38 Loan proceeds	-	3,966,995	3,966,995
39 Lease financing	285,239	-	(285,239)
40 Equipment disposition proceeds	-	128,864	128,864
41 Transfers in	87,584	32,052	(55,532)
42 Transfers out	-	-	-
43 Total other financing sources and (uses)	372,823	4,127,911	3,755,088
44 Net change in fund balance	\$ (421,862)	\$ 5,253,348	\$ 5,675,210

Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District
 Budget to Actual - Grants Fund (8) FY2026
 For the Periods Ending March 31, 2026

Line	Original Budget	Encumbrances rolled forward	Original Budget + Encmbr RF	Budget Adjustments	Revised Budget	Variance with Original Budget- Over(under) Final Budget	Actual	Encumbrances	(Under)/Over	
REVENUES										
Operating and Capital Grants										
1	1,600,000	-	1,600,000	81,485	1,681,485	81,485	352,301	-	(1,329,184)	
2	20,954,014	-	20,954,014	3,419,328	25,633,405	4,679,391	16,905,126	-	(8,728,279)	
3	-	-	-	1,260,064	-	-	-	-	-	
4	22,554,014	-	22,554,014	4,760,877	27,314,890	4,760,876	17,257,427	-	(10,057,463)	
EXPENDITURES										
Grant Expenditures										
5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
6	200,000	89,305	289,305	2,818,317	4,115,863	3,915,863	1,371,741	(1,938,035)	(4,682,157)	
7	175,000	550,175	725,175	-	725,175	550,175	549,374	-	(175,801)	
8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	O&M services Low Flow	6,915,587	6,278,288	13,193,875	(6,665,448)	6,528,426	(387,161)	6,514,227	(15,000)	(29,199)
9	Construction, rehab projects	-	-	-	80,000	141,612	141,612	83,830	(28,784)	(86,566)
Loan Expenditures										
10	Loan professional services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
11	Loan grant expenditures	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Match Expenditures										
12	Match professional services	-	2,068	2,068	-	195,237	195,237	1,457	(186,396)	(380,176)
13	Match grant expenditures	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
14	Project match	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Capital Expenditures										
15	Grant capital expenditures	15,263,427	1,324,139	16,587,566	1,667,493	17,185,206	1,921,779	8,020,468	(8,301,064)	(17,465,802)
16	Loan capital expenditures	1,361,414	-	1,361,414	176,256	1,537,670	176,256	705,927	(806,572)	(1,638,315)
17	Match capital expenditures	5,309,867	-	5,309,867	-	4,916,698	(393,169)	1,598,899	(2,421,541)	(5,739,340)
18	Total expenditures	29,225,295	8,243,975	37,469,270	(1,923,382)	35,345,887	6,120,592	18,845,923	(13,697,392)	(30,197,356)
19	Excess (deficiency) of revenues less expenditures	(6,671,281)	(8,243,975)	(14,915,256)	6,684,259	(8,030,997)	\$ 6,120,592	(1,588,496)	13,697,392	20,139,893
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)										
20	Loan proceeds	1,361,414	-	1,361,414	176,256	1,537,670	176,256	705,927	-	(831,743)
23	Transfers in - Match from cap inv fund	5,309,867	-	5,309,867	-	5,109,867	(200,000)	1,600,356	-	(3,509,511)
24	Transfers out - Indirect overhead to gen fund	-	-	-	(32,052)	(32,052)	(32,052)	(32,052)	-	-
25	Transfers out- Direct admin charges to gen fund	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
26	Total other financing sources and (uses)	6,671,281	-	6,671,281	144,204	6,615,485	(55,796)	2,274,231	-	(4,341,254)
27	Net change in fund balance	\$ -	\$ (8,243,975)	\$ (8,243,975)	\$ 6,828,463	\$ (1,415,512)	\$ 6,064,796	\$ 685,735	\$ 13,697,392	\$ 15,798,639

Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District
 Budget to Actual - Capital Investment Fund (9) FY2026
 For the Periods Ending March 31, 2026

Line	Original Budget	Encumbrances rolled forward	Original Budget + Encumbr RF	Budget Adjustment	Revised Budget	Variance with Original Budget- Over(under) Final Budget	Actual	Encumbrances	(Under)/Over
REVENUES									
1a	429,910		429,910		429,910	-	306,802	-	(123,108)
1b	2,953,734		2,953,734		2,953,734	-	2,135,924	-	(817,810)
1c	890,126		890,126		890,126	-	704,412	-	(185,714)
1d	123,730		123,730		123,730	-	84,352	-	(39,378)
6	-		-		-	-	13,189	-	13,189
3	-		-		-	-	-	-	-
4	4,397,500	-	4,397,500		4,397,500	-	3,244,679	-	(1,152,821)
EXPENDITURES									
5	92,653		92,653		92,653	-	67,720	-	(24,933)
6	300,000	67,408	367,408		367,408	67,408	367,408	-	-
9	-	784,606	784,606		984,606	984,606	916,596	37,481	(30,529)
10	392,653	852,014	1,244,667	-	1,444,667	1,052,014	1,351,724	37,481	(55,462)
11	4,004,847	(852,014)	3,152,833	-	2,952,833	(1,052,014)	1,892,955	(37,481)	(1,097,359)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)									
12	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
13	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
14	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16	(6,125,789)		(6,125,789)		(5,925,789)	200,000	(2,121,290)	-	3,804,499
17	(6,125,789)	-	(6,125,789)	-	(5,925,789)	200,000	(2,121,290)	-	3,804,499
18	(2,120,942)	(852,014)	(2,972,956)	-	(2,972,956)	(852,014)	(228,335)	(37,481)	2,707,140