

# SANTA FE COUNTY

## Resolution No. 2005 - 45

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### **A Resolution In Support of the Reauthorization of the Pre-Disaster Mitigation Program and to Maintain Both the Pre-Disaster Mitigation Program and the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program**

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**WHEREAS**, Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 authorized a national pre-disaster mitigation program that provides technical and financial assistance to states and local governments;

**WHEREAS**, the program was created to assist in cost-effective implementation of pre-disaster hazard mitigation measures that are designed to reduce injuries, loss of life, and damage and destruction of property, including damage to critical services and facilities under jurisdiction of the states and local governments;

**WHEREAS**, 2005 Omnibus Appropriations Act extended the program's authorization to December 31, 2005;

**WHEREAS**, 2004, \$170 million was budgeted to support the program and in 2005, funding decreased to \$150 million, and that funding was for a competitive grant program, not direct support of the program;

**WHEREAS**, the program has not been adequately funded since authorization, it is the only post-disaster program in place and must be maintained and properly funded;

**WHEREAS**, the House has approved legislation (H.R. 3181) introduced by Representative Steve LaTourette that addresses the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program formula and reauthorizes the Pre-Disaster Mitigation Program for three years and, additionally, the Senate approved legislation (S. 1279), that includes a three-year reauthorization of the Pre-Disaster Mitigation Program;

**WHEREAS**, legislation to re-authorize the program must be introduced in the 109<sup>th</sup> Congress;

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WHEREAS, Congress and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) must continue to support mitigation programs, both before and after a disaster as a way to increase the quality of life of our communities and reduce further disaster costs; and

WHEREAS, Hazard Mitigation Grant Program and Pre-Disaster Mitigation programs and initiatives have proven their value in not only saving lives and property in recent disasters, but also in many cases have negated the need for any emergency response and recovery.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE SANTA FE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SUPPORTS the reauthorization of the Pre-Disaster Mitigation Program, and urges Congress to maintain both the Pre-Disaster Mitigation Program and the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 12<sup>th</sup> DAY OF APRIL, 2005.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

*Michael D. Anaya*  
Michael D. Anaya, Chairman

ATTEST:

*Valerie Espinoza*  
Valerie Espinoza, Santa Fe County Clerk



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Approved As To Form:

*Stephen C. Ross* 4-5-05  
Stephen C. Ross, Santa Fe County Attorney



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I Hereby Certify That This Instrument Was Filed for Record On The 13TH Day Of April, A D , 2005 at 06 37 And Was Duly Recorded as Instrument # 1375243 Of The Records Of Santa Fe County	
Witness My Hand And Seal Of Office <i>Valerie Espinoza</i> Deputy County Clerk, Santa Fe, NM	