

SANTA FE COUNTY

Resolution No. 2005 - 78

A Resolution Supporting the Conceptual Proposal Regarding the Aamodt Water Settlement and Urging the Bureau of Reclamation and the State of New Mexico to Provide Apportionment of San Juan - Chama Water to the Aamodt Settlement

WHEREAS, Pueblo of Nambe, Pueblo of Tesuque, Pueblo of Pojoaque, and Pueblo of San Ildefonso, make up the Northern Pueblos Tributary Water Rights Association ("the four Association member Pueblos");

WHEREAS, the four Association member Pueblos are parties to the longstanding Aamodt adjudication;

WHEREAS, the four Association member Pueblos are seeking to secure a firm water supply for their future while attempting to work with all non-Pueblo parties to arrive at a regional water supply solution and to find practical, cost-effective solutions to the difficult water supply concerns that everyone faces;

WHEREAS, the four Association member Pueblos recognize and support Santa Fe County and the City of Santa Fe's need for a secure water supply and stand ready to work with them in the course of addressing the regional water supply concerns facing our respective entities;

WHEREAS, the four Association member Pueblos strongly believe there are viable approaches to enable Santa Fe County and City of Santa Fe to obtain the San Juan-Chama Project water while also allowing the Aamodt Pueblos and the Pueblo of Taos to utilize a portion of the uncontracted San Juan-Chama water supply together with other secure rights so that the long-term needs of the Pueblos, Santa Fe County, and the City of Santa Fe are met;

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WHEREAS there are practical and hydrological approaches that would benefit all parties that have not yet been fully explored;

WHEREAS, one issue that high level United States Department of Interior officials continue to raise with the Aamodt Pueblos is that the Department of Interior has set aside 2,990 acre-feet per year of San Juan-Chama Project water to assist in providing needed water supplies for Indian water rights settlements in New Mexico.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners of Santa Fe County:

1. Supports the conceptual proposal regarding the Aamodt Water Settlement, which includes a commitment by the parties, including the pueblos, to support Santa Fe County and City of Santa Fe Buckman Diversion Project, the Draft Environmental Impact Statement, and the renewal or conversion of Santa Fe County and the City of Santa Fe's San Juan-Chama water; and
2. Urges the United States Department of Interior's Bureau of Reclamation to address the regional water supply concerns facing our respective entities and look for alternative means to mitigate the concerns raised by the Pueblos with the Bureau of Reclamation regarding renewal or conversion of all of the existing San Juan-Chama water service contracts.

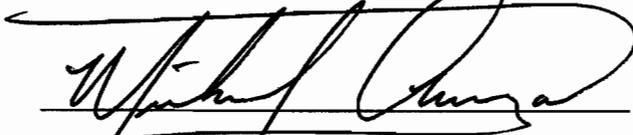
AND FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners of Santa Fe County requests that the State of New Mexico work with the Pueblos, Santa Fe County, and the City of Santa Fe in ensuring that all governmental entities in the region have a secure water supply available to them.

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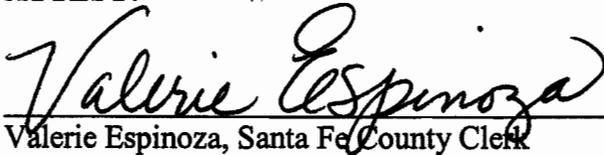
PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 14th day of June, 2005.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS



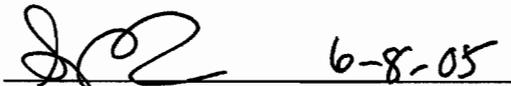
Michael D. Anaya, Chairman

ATTEST:



Valerie Espinoza, Santa Fe County Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Stephen C. Ross, Santa Fe County Attorney



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COUNTY OF SANTA FE)
STATE OF NEW MEXICO) ss

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I hereby Certify That This Instrument Was Filed for Record On The 15TH Day Of June, A.D., 2005 at 14:35 And Was Duly Recorded as Instrument # 1384536 Of The Records Of Santa Fe County

Witness My Hand And Seal Of Office
Deputy _____ Valerie Espinoza
County Clerk, Santa Fe NM

