

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF  
SANTA FE COUNTY

EMERGENCY RESOLUTION NO. 2006- 45

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AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION DECLARING DROUGHT CONDITIONS IN  
SANTA FE COUNTY WARRANTING THE ADOPTION OF STAGE 3 WATER  
USE RESTRICTIONS ON CUSTOMERS OF THE SANTA FE COUNTY WATER  
RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

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WHEREAS, drought conditions continue to intensify this year after disappointing winter precipitation followed several years of drought, with the current pattern expected to persist for perhaps years;

WHEREAS, Santa Fe County continues to rely on groundwater and surface water resources provided by the City of Santa Fe through the Water Resources Agreement (2005), and the Buckman Direct Diversion, which will permit the County to divert surface water directly from the Rio Grande River, is not scheduled for completion until 2009; and

WHEREAS, the limitations on local groundwater and poor reservoir storage dictate the need to impose water restrictions on the customers of the Santa Fe County Water Resources Department, so that limited supplies may be conserved for the Spring, Summer and Fall.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANTA FE COUNTY, AS FOLLOWS:

1. Effective immediately, the Santa Fe County Water Resources Department shall adopt STAGE 3 water restrictions.
2. The Water Resources Department is directed to inform its customers of the water restrictions, and the necessity for the restrictions, as soon as feasible.
3. Stage 3 water restrictions shall remain in effect until the Board of County Commissioners takes further action.
4. Penalties for violation of the Stage 3 water restrictions shall be as follows: \$20 for the first violation, \$50 for the second violation, \$100 for the third violation, and \$200 for each subsequent violation. All penalties shall be added to the customer's water bill.
5. The following County employees are authorized to conduct inspections to ensure compliance with Stage 3 water restrictions and issue reports on which fines will be based: (a) members of the Land Use Code Enforcement staff, (b) members of the Water Resources Department staff, and (c) members of the Fire Department staff.

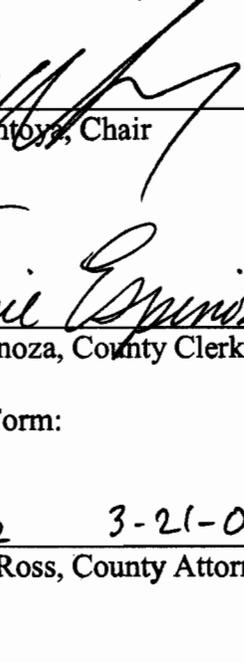
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6. Complaint forms shall be made available to residents of Santa Fe County so they can report violations to the Water Resources Department.

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OF SANTA FE COUNTY, NEW MEXICO**

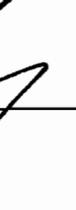
By   
Harry B. Montoya, Chair

ATTEST:

By   
Valerie Espinoza, County Clerk



Approved as to Form:

By  3-21-06  
Stephen C. Ross, County Attorney



COUNTY OF SANTA FE )  
STATE OF NEW MEXICO ) ss

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Deputy Valerie Espinoza  
County Clerk, Santa Fe, NM

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