

# SANTA FE COUNTY

## Resolution No. 2007 - 44

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**A Resolution of Support from Santa Fe County for the New Mexico Department of Transportation proposed project to improve US 84/285 from the NM 503 Intersection in Pojoaque to the NM 68 intersection in Espanola.**

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**WHEREAS**, United States Road 84/285 is the primary north-south surface transportation facility that exists within the north-central region of New Mexico; and

**WHEREAS**, approximately seven miles of United States Road 84/285 north of New Mexico State Road 503 in Pojoaque lie within Santa Fe County, New Mexico; and

**WHEREAS**, Rapid growth within this area of the state has resulted in significant traffic increases along this corridor; containing approximately 24,000 vehicles per day and this traffic volume projection is expected to reach 46,000 vehicles by the year 2026; and

**WHEREAS**, The U.S. 84/285 corridor project from Pojoaque to Espanola is currently undergoing reconstruction to accommodate growing traffic needs and to correct existing deficiencies causing traffic jams; and

**WHEREAS**, Santa Fe County (the County) and the New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT) have worked together during the study phase of the proposed U.S. Road 84/285 improvements project, and the County is supportive of the concepts currently being proposed by the NMDOT; and

**WHEREAS**, The NMDOT has stated that it will continue to work closely with the County through the final design process; and

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**WHEREAS**, Continuance of the partnership between the County and the NMDOT is desired to ensure that all stakeholders receive the maximum benefit from the planned new roadway, while maintaining a community sensitive, environmentally conscious and safety oriented design; and

**WHEREAS**, the project will be completed in two phases, Phase One which began in Summer 2006 and is expected to be completed by the fall of 2007 and is valued at \$5.1 Million and is being funded through Governor Richardson's Investment Partnership (GRIP) Funds. Phase Two which will begin in the summer of 2007 and is valued at approximately \$40-\$45 Million, also funded with GRIP funds.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Santa Fe Board of County Commissioners are in support of the NMDOT planned improvements to US 84/285 that will ensure the safe transportation needs of county residents and businesses for many years to come.

**PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 13<sup>th</sup> DAY OF MARCH, 2007.**

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

  
Virginia Vigil, Chair

**ATTEST:**

  
Valerie Espinoza, Santa Fe County Clerk



**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

  
Stephen C. Ross, Santa Fe County Attorney



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STATE OF NEW MEXICO ) ss  
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Valerie Espinoza  
Deputy  County Clerk, Santa Fe, NM