



County Manager's Monthly Memo

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Board Of County Commissioners Upcoming Schedule

All Regular Meetings are held on Tuesday in the County Commission Chambers at 102 Grant Ave.

May 26 at 2 p.m.
June 9 at 2 p.m.
June 30 at 2 p.m.
July 14 at 2 p.m.
July 28 at 2 p.m.

Upcoming BCC meetings will start at 2 p.m. The Housing Authority Board meeting on the last Tuesday of each month will start at 1 p.m.

All regular meetings are broadcast live at www.santafecountynm.gov and on Comcast Ch. 28 or you can listen live on Que Suave AM810

Visit www.santafecountynm.gov and click our events calendar for a full schedule of upcoming meetings, events and closures.

Bring Your Child to Work Day Huge Success!!!

A very BIG thank you to our Human Resources Division for their effort and coordination on Bring Your Child to Work Day. They did an amazing job setting up a variety of activities for the youth. The activities are geared to help children discover the link between what they do now in school and what they can become in the future. Thank you to the Clerk's Office, Santa Fe County Fire Department, DWI Division, Public Works Department, and Sheriff's Office for participating in the day and bringing to light all the key elements of County government. The children had an opportunity to experience the vital public services that the County provides such as voting processes, fire safety, 911 protocols, law enforcement activities, and DWI prevention.



Public Meetings On Residential Solid Waste & Recycling Collection District Ordinance

The Board of County Commissioners is considering an ordinance to establish three curbside “Residential Solid Waste Collection Districts” in the more urbanized areas surrounding the City of Santa Fe to comprehensively manage solid waste and recycling activities throughout the County. Santa Fe County hosted three public meetings around Santa Fe County and a will have a public hearing on the proposed Ordinance on Tuesday, June 30, 2015.

Each Collection District will be exclusively served by a single private hauler selected by the County using a competitive process. The County will oversee private haulers’ operations through a contract will include: rates, provision of recycling service, levels of service (frequency of collection, types of containers, etc.), accommodating special needs customers, and reporting of solid waste and recycling data.

Residents in each Collection District will be able to voluntarily choose whether they want to use the curbside services of the selected private hauler or if they prefer to self-haul to one of the County’s solid waste convenience centers. Residents will not be able to retain the services of a private hauler that is not the County-identified hauler for the Collection District.

The public meetings and the June 30, 2015 public hearing on the ordinance are intended to obtain the public’s interests and concerns as Santa Fe County moves forward with this initiative. The County values input from citizens affected by this proposal. The current proposal may be revised based on the public’s input.

The Collection District Ordinance and maps of the three Collection Districts can be obtained from the County’s web site www.santafecountynm.gov/public_works/solidwaste.

County Commission Public Hearing on Proposed Ordinance
Tuesday, June 30, 2015 – Public Hearings are to begin no earlier than 5 p.m.

For More information contact Craig O’Hare, Public Works Department, (505) 992-3044

Pojoaque Sports Fields get Sports Turf

The sports turf was recently installed at the Pojoaque Sports Fields. Santa Fe County is very excited for our community to start enjoying the fields!



Atalaya Elementary Wins 2015 Santa Fe County Snowplow Painting Contest

To help celebrate National Public Works Week (third week in May) the Santa Fe County Public Works Department created a snow plow painting contest amongst the three school districts in the county.

As part of the contest, Public Works staff went to three different fourth grade classrooms to discuss what each section of Public Works does and why it is important. Public Works staff presented to South Mountain Elementary in Edgewood, Atalaya Elementary (in Santa Fe), and Pojoaque Intermediate.

Each class was tasked with creating a Public Works themed painting to paint on the front of a snow plow blade. Thank you to the schools for their participation and congratulations to Atalaya Elementary for winning the first Santa Fe County snowplow painting contest. Also, thank you to the Public Works Staff that took time to present to the classrooms and to the Board of County Commissioners for voting at the May 12, 2015 meeting.

Images below are of the Atalaya Elementary snowplow.



Your Dog Needs To Be on a Leash, it is the Law

Santa Fe County would like to remind residents if you are using a county park, trail, or open space your domestic animal shall be restrained by a leash and under the control of a person, unless otherwise posted. Voice command or voice control is not the same as a leash. In addition to dogs, other domestic animals must be restrained .

“As the weather is getting warmer we are seeing more hikers out on the trails and in the parks with their dogs. We have had several complaints that there are dogs off of their leashes, which have led to near attacks of other hikers or have created uncomfortable and hostile situations between trail users,” said Carol Branch, Volunteer Coordinator. She continued, “It is a complete misconception that if you are in the County your dog can be off the leash.”



If you are using a trail and come across an owner who does not have their animal on a leash, please contact 9-1-1 or call the non-emergency number at (505) 428-3710 to report the violation.

Santa Fe County Released the Calendar Year 2014 Annual Report

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The Annual Report is a summary of the activities of Santa Fe County for the calendar year 2014. Santa Fe County is built on the energy and drive of our residents, and we are continuously working to exceed even our own goals and expectations. This year's Annual Report is designed to capture the dynamic areas of county government in a snapshot. It provides an overview of department highlights, accomplishments, completed projects, and accreditations.



To view a copy of the Annual Report visit www.santafecountynm.gov and click Annual Report 2014 under Hot Topics or pick up a copy from any County building.

Transportation Board Members Needed

Santa Fe County is seeking residents to serve on the Santa Fe County Transportation Advisory Committee. The primary purpose of the Transportation Advisory Committee is to review and make recommendations on all elements of transportation, including roadways, trails, bikeways, transit and pedestrian facilities. Make recommendations on road operations and maintenance policies, including road acceptance/abandonment process. The Board of County Commissioners (BCC) will appoint a total of 13 members, with multiple residents from each Commission district and one at large member. Santa Fe County needs residents from all areas of the County to serve on the Transportation Advisory Committee.

The Transportation Advisory Committee will hold at a minimum quarterly meetings on the second Wednesday of each quarter at 5:30 p.m. in the Public Works Facility Conference room. Meetings will commence once the committee appointments have been made.

Anyone interested in being appointed to the Transportation Advisory Committee should submit a letter of interest and resume to:

Santa Fe County Public Works
 Attention: Robert Martinez
 425, New Mexico 599 Frontage Road
 Santa Fe, NM 87507
 Phone : (505) 992-3010 or robmtz@santafecountynm.gov

What's Happening in Brief at SFC

Santa Fe County Completes the Madrid Ballpark Grandstands Grand Opening Celebration on Memorial Day, May 25 from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The town of Madrid is hosting a celebration for the completion of the Grandstand Renovation Project in the Oscar Huber Memorial Ballpark on Monday, May 25, 2015 (Memorial Day) from 10:30 a.m. – 2 p.m.

The celebration will include the inauguration of the Grandstand by Santa Fe County to the Madrid Landowners Association and the town of Madrid will unveil the new Outfield Fence, funded by the Madrid Cultural Projects and the Friends of the Madrid Ballpark.

Festivities will begin with music by the *Dandelion Liberation Front* followed by speakers from the Members of Santa Fe County government and local community leaders. Commissioner Robert A. Anaya will be serving as Master of Ceremony. The Memorial Day celebration will include a softball game between the East Mountain Riff Raff and the Madrid Miners beginning at 12 p.m. This year will mark the 33rd year for the annual softball challenge.

El Rancho de las Golondrinas

Mark your calendars for our upcoming Spring Festival and Fiber Arts Fair, June 6 and June 7, when we will feature demonstrations on sheep shearing, wool washing, dyeing, spinning and weaving.

Santa Fe County Closed for Memorial Day

Santa Fe County is closed on Monday, May 25, 2015 in observance of Memorial Day. Santa Fe County offices will resume regular hours on Tuesday, May 26.



**County Manager
 Katherine Miller**

Santa Fe County Solid Waste Collection Centers (previously known as transfer stations) are closed on Monday and Tuesday as part of their regular schedule. Collection Centers will resume regular hours on Wednesday, May 27, 2015.



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County Clerk’s Office – (505) 986-6280
County Treasurer’s Office – (505) 986-6245
County Sheriff’s Office – (505) 986-2455
SFC Adult Correctional Facility – (505) 428-3861

Other Important Numbers

Building Permits (505) 986-6225
Fire Questions/ Burn Permit (505) 992-3070
Utilities (505) 992-9870
Public Works/Roads (505) 992-3010
Human Resources (505) 992-9880
Community Services (505) 992-9849
Attorney’s Office (505) 326-6279
Teen Court (505) 995-9555
Animal Control (505) 992-1626



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