

## Agriculture & Acequias

*The farms, orchards, gardens, tree lined roads and functioning acequia systems provide connections to Tesuque's rural roots. Preserving and enhancing this aspect of the plan area continues to be a priority.*

Goal: Promote agriculture and protect acequias.

*An education-based approach:*

Strategy: The Tesuque Valley Community Association will form a Stewardship Committee to educate and work with property owners on establishing conservation and/or agricultural easements on their property.

*An incentive-based zoning approach:*

Strategy: Create new zoning incentives and provisions for parcels measuring at least three acres that would allow qualifying lands to receive density bonuses for transfer or compact development in exchange for setting aside a prescribed percentage of their lot area for agriculture production or open space.

-comments– questions– ideas-concerns-

*Which approach makes the most sense? Which approach will achieve the goal?*