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MEMORANDUM

DATE: *October 1, 2014*

TO: *Board of County Commissioners*

FROM: *Claudia Borchert, Utilities Division Director*

VIA: *Katherine Miller, County Manager*
Adam Leigland, Public Works Department Director 

ITEM AND ISSUE: *BCC Meeting October 14, 2014*
Presentation on Santa Fe County Water Supply and Water Commitments

SUMMARY

The County's current water supply is approximately 2,580 acre-feet/year (af/y), of which about 1,325 af/y is expected to be delivered in 2014. The County's water supply is currently limited by water rights; physical water and infrastructure limits are approximately 2,976 af/y. Since 2010, County water supply commitments have increased from 823.7 af/y to approximately 2,808 af/y, including recent obligations acquired from annexation. The County has many options on how to align available supply with current commitments, including acquiring additional water rights, securing additional water supply, and reducing demand.

BACKGROUND AND INTRODUCTION

The primary purpose of this memo is to compare the County utility's water supply to its commitments, so that the County can continue to satisfy past obligations while considering new contracts. Many of the County's water service agreements require that the County "*maintain an inventory of water rights available .. at least equal to or in excess of the total quantity of water that the [County] is contractually committed to deliver under this ... Customer Contract and all other Customer Contracts, plus the total of actual deliveries to existing customers, which total shall be based on the average of [County's] actual water sales for the preceding six months.*" Resolution 2006-57- A Resolution Adopting a Santa Fe County Water Resources Department Line Extension and Water Service Policy (attached) also requires Utilities to tally available physical water, water rights, allocations established through valid water service agreements, line losses, affordable housing allocations, allocations for County-sponsored projects or County discretionary use, and water deliveries made the previous year.

In order to have a reliable water supply, at least three primary components are necessary: infrastructure capacity, water rights, and physical, high quality "wet" water. A limitation in any one

of these parts of the “three-legged stool” restricts the available supply. Hence, in analyzing the County’s water supply in this memo, all three elements of the “three-legged” stool are incorporated.

The County’s water commitments (demand) include current customers, the anticipated water needs from vacant lots in areas served, and service agreements to yet undeveloped land.

A. WATER SUPPLY

WATER INFRASTRUCTURE CAPACITY: The County currently has 2,563 afy of potable water and 873 afy of raw water infrastructure capacity available annually through its partnership in the Buckman Direct Diversion facility (BDD), as shown as the total in Table 1 below.

Table 1. County BDD Water Infrastructure Capacity	
	<i>Quantity (af/y)</i>
1. County Original Buckman Direct Diversion Capacity	1,700
2. County-purchased capacity from Las Campanas, LLC (“Arizona” rights)	541
3. Capacity from Las Campanas 2012 Water Coop Bulk Water Agreement	332
Total	2,563

WATER RIGHTS: Santa Fe County currently owns 1,703 af/y of water rights (the sum of the first two rows in Table 2) available for diversion at the BDD. An estimated additional 464 af/y has been committed or dedicated to the County in exchange for water service commitments.

Table 2. BDD- Diversion Water Rights Available for County Water Deliveries	
	<i>Quantity (af/y)</i>
1. County San Juan-Chama permit	367
2. County-owned water rights	1,336
3. Obligated transfers from Rancho Viejo, etc.	464
Total	2,167

Table 2 does not include remaining 377 af/y of Las Campanas Water Coop water rights, nor an additional 168 af/y of developer-owned water rights that have been transferred to the BDD with the County as co-applicant. Water rights associated with development projects that are not currently moving forward or not assigned to any development projects may or may not eventually be transferred to the County, and therefore, have not been included in the sum in Table 2.

PHYSICAL (“WET”) WATER: Given the County’s mix of water rights, BDD permits, and BDD operational constraints, it is a judgment call to identify the amount of “wet” water available to the County. However, when considering the County’s 875 af/y of back-up water supply secured in the 2005 County-City Water Resources Agreement (2005 WRA), the County’s San Juan-Chama contract water, the flows in the Rio Grande, the BDD environmental permit limitations, water right

portfolio characteristics, operational flexibility of the BDD, and likely future climate change impacts, it is reasonable to assume that all 2,563 af/y of the County's capacity is likely to be able to deliver "wet" water year-round for at least the next decade. This assumption is currently being thoroughly analyzed in the joint County-City Santa Fe Basin Climate Change Study. Alternatives and planning strategies from the analysis will be presented to the BCC within a year.

WATER SUPPLY SUMMARY: In the County's three-legged stool of water supply, water rights are currently the limiting factor (Table 3). Hence, the County has 2,580 af/y of water supply currently available, including the 500 af/y available to the County under the 2005 WRA and assuming that all 464 af/y of dedicated water right from Table 2 are deeded to the County.

Table 3. Comparison of Water Rights, Physical Water, and Infrastructure

	<i>Infrastructure (af/y)</i>	<i>Water Rights (af/y)</i>	<i>Wet Water (af/y)</i>
Diversion	2,563	2,167	2,563
BDD operational processes (4%)	-87	-87	-87
County-City Water Resources Agreement (implied)	500	500	500
Total	2,976	2,580	2,976

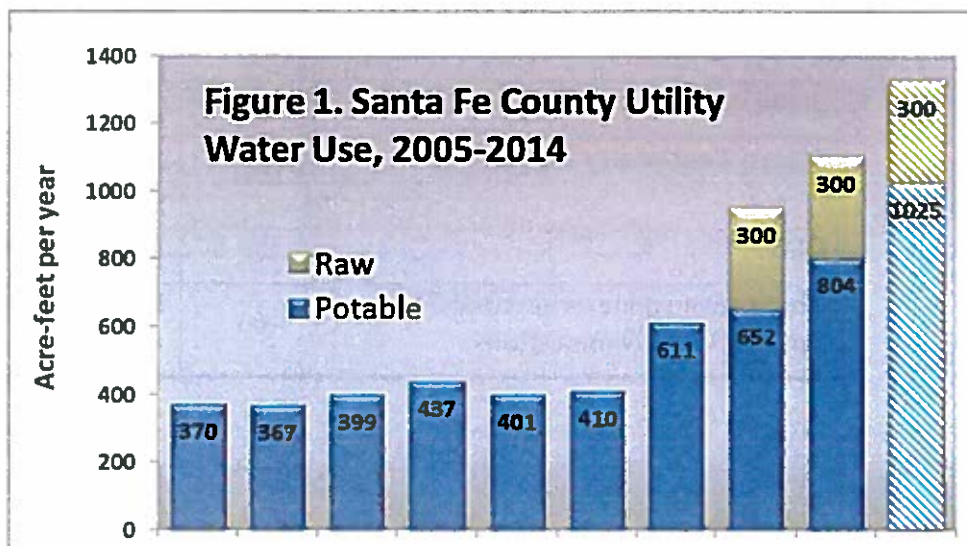
WATER SUPPLIES NOT INCLUDED: In the future, the use of County-owned, in-Santa Fe basin, groundwater rights will be helpful in increasing the reliability of existing supplies or augmenting future water demand. The County currently owns 153 af/y of Santa Fe basin, groundwater rights. However, since Utilities has no current infrastructure to use the groundwater rights, they are not explicitly added to these supply calculations.

B. WATER COMMITMENTS

The County's water commitments includes the water used by current customers, the anticipated water needs from vacant lots in areas served, and service agreements to yet undeveloped land.

HISTORIC COUNTY WATER USE: Since 2005, Utilities has delivered between 367 and 804 af of potable water to its customers annually (Figure 1). Since 2012, Utilities has also delivered an additional 300 af/y of raw (untreated) water to The Club at Las Campanas. Because of increase demand from annexed customers, Utilities estimates 2014 use will exceed 1,300 af.

PAST WATER COMMITMENTS: As of August 2010, the County's water commitments equaled 823.7 af/y (see attached August 18, 2010 memo with Resolution 2010-159). Table 4 lists 1995-2010 commitments



previously approved by the BCC. Note: of the 824 af/y, 179 af/y had been allocated to County-related projects, many of which Utilities currently serves.

Table 4. 1995-2010 Water Commitments	
<i>Period of Allocation</i>	<i>Quantity (af/y)</i>
1995 – 2004	552.16
2005 – 2009	268.29
2009 – 2010	3.25
Total	823.7

2010-2014 WATER COMMITMENTS: Over the past 4 years, actions taken by the BCC and/or the Utility have committed water supply to the entities identified in Table 5 below.

Table 5. 2010-2014 Water Commitments		
<i>Subdivision/Area</i>	<i>Quantity (af/y)</i>	<i>Notes</i>
Canoncito MDWA	25.5*	<i>Resolution 2012-55</i>
Club at Las Campanas	600	<i>2011 Raw Water Agreement</i>
Hyde Park Estates	(30.6)*	<i>Resolution 2013-66; may be supplied with existing wells and/or City water supply</i>
La Cienega Loop	8.4	<i>Resolution 2013-47; assumes all 31 homes along line will connect</i>
La Cienega Lakeside Mobile Home Park	7.5*	<i>2014 Settlement Agreement</i>
Las Campanas Water Coop	332	<i>2012 Bulk Water Agreement</i>
NM Dept. of Corrections	275.2	<i>Resolution 2013-8</i>
NM Dept. of Cultural Affairs	0.5	
Sat Nam Khalsa	0.3?	
Santa Fe Animal Shelter	5.4	
Stacey Community Property	10.4	<i>2012 MOU County-City-Stacey Community Property</i>
UDV	0.3	<i>2013 Settlement Agreement</i>
Credits from annexation transfers from 1995-2009 allocations	-66	<i>2008 Annexation Settlement Agreement</i>

Annexation	785**	2008 and 2010 Annexation Settlement Agreements
Total	1,984	

*The County is acquiring groundwater rights with these systems.

**Assuming 0.25 af use per residential lot. Appendix A of the 2010 Settlement Agreement summed the water budgets for transferred infrastructure at 331 af/y

WATER COMMITMENT SUMMARY: By combining the previously allocated demand (Table 4) and the committed demand (Table 5), the County's combined demand is 2,808 af/y (Table 5).

Table 6. Total Estimated Commitments	
<i>Period of Allocation</i>	<i>Quantity (af/y)</i>
1995 – 2010 Allocations	824
2010 – 2014 BCC and Utility Commitments	1,984
Total	2,808

DISCUSSION

It is helpful to consider the comparison of the County's commitments of 2,808 af/y versus current supply of 2,580 af/y in context of water resource management options.

- 1) **Water delivery requirements significant lag behind commitments.** The County currently has almost 50% more water supply than it is expected to need in 2014.
- 2) **The County will continue acquiring water rights.** Utilities will begin allocating new service water-right acquisition fees toward water right purchases. Additionally, per Resolution 2006-57, Utilities is now requiring all new water commitments to provide water rights as a condition of service.
- 3) **Some of the County's commitments may never materialize or may be renegotiated.** For example, the County has committed 600 af/y to Club at Las Campanas. For the foreseeable future, the Club at Las Campanas is planning to purchase only 300 af/y from the County, since they use their own BDD capacity and leased Jicarilla Apache Nation San Juan-Chama water rights to self-supply the rest of their water needs. The County may also choose to seek additional water supply from the City for the approximately 785 af/y of commitment that the County received as a result of the annexation agreements.
- 4) **The actual amount of water required to meet commitments may be reduced.** Water conservation programs and a reduction in the Level of Service from 0.25 af/y per residential lot (to perhaps 0.2 af/y) will moderate the County's current commitment. The City of Santa Fe has had success with this approach.
- 5) **The numbers presented herein may be refined.** The estimates herein are based on the best information available at this time. Better numbers will be available once the County delivers water to annexed customers for a full year and County staff reviews the all existing water service agreements and other commitments.

- 6) **Groundwater resources are a necessary component of the County's water supply portfolio.** The County needs to consider how to incorporate its groundwater assets in a way that provided for water supply reliability and sustainability.

NEXT STEPS

In order to continue better understanding the County's water picture, Public Works/Utilities will continue to analyze the following:

1. Refine existing and potential demand estimates for annexed areas.
2. Verify which County allocations are currently being supplied and which service agreements are still valid.
3. Finalize deeds for water right dedicated to the County.
4. Provide new water service requests to the BCC.
5. Develop a Master Plan identifying the Utilities water infrastructure and water supply needs.
6. Propose changes to current Utilities practices, amendments to Resolution 2006-147, and policy strategies to optimize water supply and minimize demand.
7. Develop a bulk water service policy.

ACTION REQUESTED

None; for information only



Public Works
Utilities Department

August 18th, 2010

To: Board of County Commissioners

From: Karen Torres, Hydrologist Utilities Department

Through: Patricio Guerrerortiz, Director Utilities Department

Re: A Resolution Establishing the Schedule of Water Deliveries for July 2010 – December 2010

Pursuant to Resolution No 2006-57, "A Resolution Adopting a Santa Fe County Water Resources Department Line Extension and Water Service Policy, Section 4.B.1" a schedule of new water deliveries for the next six months must be adopted by Board resolution upon recommendation of the Department.

The Department shall maintain an accounting of available physical water, water rights, allocations established through a valid water service agreement, line losses, affordable housing allocations, allocations for County sponsored projects or County discretionary use, and water deliveries made the previous year.

For the July through December 2010 timeframe the Water and Wastewater Operations Department has received 2 requests for new deliveries of water to serve 16 residential lots totaling 3.25 acre-feet.

Physical Water

Under the "Water Resources Agreement between the City of Santa Fe and Santa Fe County" dated January 11, 2005, Santa Fe County may take up to 875 acre-feet of water from the City Water System until the Buckman Direct Diversion (BDD) becomes operational in the spring of 2011.

The following table describes the total water taken from 2005 to present:

Year	Total SFC Utility Water Usage	Percentage of Physical Water Used
2005	370.29 acre-feet	42.32%
2006	367.42 acre-feet	41.99%
2007	399.11 acre-feet	45.61%
2008	437.92 acre-feet	50.05%
2009	401.06 acre-feet	45.84%
2010*	186.76 acre-feet	

*Reflect usage up to July 1, 2010

Currently about 50% of the water delivered from the City of Santa Fe, through the Water Resources Agreement is utilized by the County Water System. Water use for 2009 is less than 2008 due to lower bulk water sales. Unaccounted water was 4.6 % for 2009.

Water Rights

Santa Fe County owns 876.83 acre-feet of water rights which may be utilized from the Buckman Well Field or the Buckman Direct Diversion as described below:

Water Rights Status	Quantity Permitted
SFC Completed Transfers to the Buckman Direct Diversion	469.55 ¹ acre-feet
SFC Completed Buckman Well Transfers	407.28 acre-feet
Total BDD and Buckman Well Field Permitted Water Rights	876.83 acre-feet
In-Basin Groundwater Rights	89.231 acre-feet

¹ Under OSE Permit No. 4842, Santa Fe County may divert up to 367.5 afy which may be increased to 468.75 afy if adequate stored water is available for release to allow for the increased diversion. Santa Fe County has a storage contract with the BOR to store its San Juan Chama water.

Once pending applications for transfer of water rights and conveyance from developer owned water rights are completed, the permitted amount of water available to the BDD will be increased prior to its start up. The in-basin water rights will be utilized for the back-up well program.

Allocations Established Through Water Service Agreements

The following table is a list of water allocations established by either a Water Service Agreement or a Water Delivery Agreement between a water user and the County. Approximately 820 acre-feet have been allocated for various existing and proposed projects. Roughly 50 % of the water was actually delivered each year. No new agreements to serve water have been executed since the last report to the BCC in January 2010.

Customer	1995 – 2004 Allocation	2005 – 2009 Allocations
	Acre feet/year	Acre feet/year
Rancho Viejo	166.00	59.20
Academy Tech	2.00	
Greer	8.76	
Taurus	3.00	
La Pradera	13.14	
Oshara	30.00	11.00
Beaty, Montoya et al	9.50	
New Mexican	5.00	
American Tobacco	2.00	
Jehovah's Witness	0.50	
Berridge	10.00	
NMDC & NMNG	6.00	

PNM Electric	3.00	
Mowery	1.50	
Warren	2.00	
Terrell	1.00	
Browncastle	5.58	
Capitol Ford	0.31	
Khalexico	0.31	
Boylan (Valle Serena)	1.86	4.2
Jones	0.31	
Traveltown	0.31	
Seaman (Vereda del Este)	0.93	
Santa Fe Brewing Co.	1.00	
Wolf Canyon	1.00	
Allsup	0.67	
Las Lagunitas	42.00	
Hurlocker, et al	30.38	
Fallows (El Prado)	4.96	
San Cristobal	22.00	
Pueblo Garcia Heights	3.00	
Paseo C de Baca	5.00	
Suerte Del Sur		45.00
Pearson		3.15
Komis		45.00
Gillentine		1.50
Agua Fria CWA		49.30
Burro Alley Partners	8.00	27.00
Northwest Ranches		3.60
Oliver C de Baca		1.0
Love Ranch		1.0
Beaver Toyota		.5
Development Subtotal	390.02 acre-feet	251.45 acre-feet
County Projects		
Detention Facility	55.00	
Affordable Housing	19.00	
Economic Dev. Park	5.16	16.84
SFPS Elementary School	3.00	
Public Safety Complex	7.00	
Other **	2.98	
Valle Vista Housing	40.00	
Bulk Water Sales	30.00	
County Subtotal	162.14	16.84
Grand Total = 820.45	552.16	268.29

Requests for New Water Deliveries

County Utilities staff sent letters of inquiry to all contractors for water for information on anticipated water needs. Two requests for water delivery for the July – December 2010 time frame were received. The following table is a summary of requested deliveries:

July – December 2010 Schedule of Deliveries						
	RESIDENTIAL LOTS			COMMERCIAL LOTS		CONSTRUCT- ION WATER
Project	Estimated Residential Lots	Estimated Affordable Housing Lots	Water Requested	Estimated Commercial Lots	Water Requested	Construct- ion Water Requested
La Entrada Phase 1 and Windmill Ridge Unit 4 at Rancho Viejo	15 lots	0 lots	3.0 af	0	0	0.00 af
C de Baca	1	0	0.25			
Total	16 lots	0 lots	3.25 af	0	0	0 af
Grand Total	3.25 acre-feet					

Recommendation

All of the requests for water are in line with the water allocated per lot as determined by Final Development Approval. County Utility staff recommends that the Board of County Commissioners adopts this Schedule of New Water Deliveries for the Period of July to December 2010 by the accompanying Resolution 2010-_____.

Santa Fe County

Resolution No. 2010- 159

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A SCHEDULE FOR NEW WATER DELIVERIES FOR THE PERIOD JULY TO DECEMBER 2010

WHEREAS, Resolution 2006-57 requires the County to promulgate and adopt a Schedule of New Water Deliveries for every upcoming six month period;

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has reviewed and considered a schedule for new water deliveries totaling 3.25 acre-feet for the Period of July – December 2010 as follows:

July – December 2010 Schedule of Deliveries						
	RESIDENTIAL LOTS			COMMERCIAL LOTS		CONSTRUCT- ION WATER
Project	Estimated Residential Lots	Estimated Affordable Housing Lots	Water Requested	Estimated Commercial Lots	Water Requested	Construct- ion Water Requested
La Entrada Phase 1 and Windmill Ridge Unit 4 at Rancho Viejo	15 lots	0 lots	3.0 af	0	0	0.00 af
C de Baca	1	0	0.25			
Total	16 lots	0 lots	3.25 af	0	0	0 af
Grand Total	3.25 acre-feet					

NOW THEREFOR IT IS RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners adopts and passes this Resolution making official the Schedule of Deliveries set forth above for the Period July to December 2010.

SFC CLERK RECORDED 89/15/2818

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 14th day of September, 2010

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

By: [Signature]
Harry B. Montoya, Chair

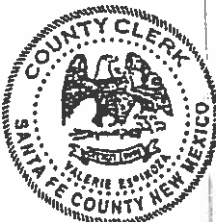
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Valerie Espinoza, County Clerk



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Stephen C. Ross, County Attorney



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County Clerk, Santa Fe, NM

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RESOLUTION NO. 2006-57

**A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A SANTA FE COUNTY
WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT LINE EXTENSION AND WATER
SERVICE POLICY**

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Water Resources Agreement by and Between Santa Fe County and the City of Santa Fe (2005), the City of Santa Fe agreed to provide wholesale water deliveries to Santa Fe County in the amount of 500 acre feet per year (in perpetuity) and an additional 375 acre feet per year between the year 2005 and the year that the Buckman Direct Diversion Project becomes operational;

WHEREAS, of the 875 acre feet of wholesale water deliveries that the County may receive from the City of Santa Fe prior to the date the Buckman Direct Diversion becomes operational, approximately 700 acre feet per year has already been committed by the County through Water Service Agreements, yet the County Water Resources Department in calendar 2005 delivered 324.68 acre feet per year to County customers;

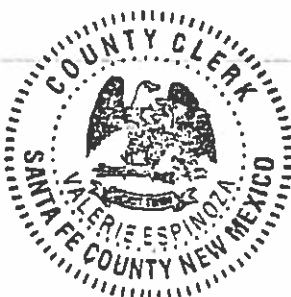
WHEREAS, under current practice, the County provides water to new customers through a system of water rights transfers and parallel water service agreements;

WHEREAS, the form of water service agreements has varied widely, but has become more consistent in recent years, and a common element of virtually all water service agreements is the "allocation" of available water which is reserved to the holder of the water service agreement, whether the holder of the water service agreement actually puts the water to beneficial use or not;

WHEREAS, the practice as described above has resulted in an apparent shortage of water and has also apparently created the possibility of speculation in water service agreements and County allocations of available water, thus reducing the amount of water needed for the County to achieve its stated purposes of providing affordable housing for its citizens and assuring that the County's growth management objectives are met;

WHEREAS, in order to assure that the County's stated objectives as described above are met, significant amendments to existing practices and policies are needed to ensure that water is put to beneficial use, that water is targeted to affordable housing, that water is targeted towards persons who will put it to use, and that speculation in water and water service agreements is avoided; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners desires to put such policies in place, effective immediately.



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STATE OF NEW MEXICO) ss

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Deputy County Clerk, Santa Fe, NM

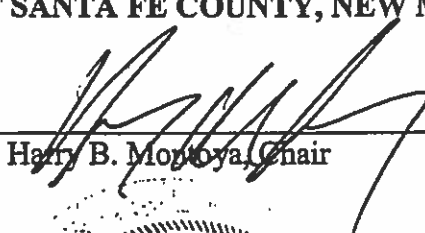
IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED, AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Board of County Commissioners of Santa Fe County hereby adopts Attachment A hereto as its Water Resources Department Line Extension and Water Service Policy.
2. Attachment A shall henceforth govern new water service by the by Santa Fe County Water Resources Department, and shall supplant the current practice.
3. Any resolution or policy of the County that is inconsistent herewith shall be, and hereby is, rescinded.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 28th day of March, 2006.

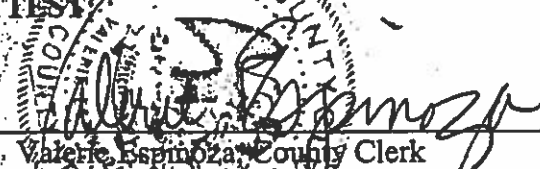
**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF SANTA FE COUNTY, NEW MEXICO**

By


Harry B. Montoya, Chair

ATTEST

By


Valerie Espinoza, County Clerk

Approved as to Form

By


Stephen C. Ross, County Attorney

ATTACHMENT A

SANTA FE COUNTY WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT LINE EXTENSION AND WATER SERVICE POLICY

I. PURPOSE.

The purpose of this Document is to guide Santa Fe County staff and interested persons on the procedures and principles that will be applied to applications for water service from the Santa Fe County Water Resources Department, water line extensions, allocation of scarce water resources, and areas served by the Department with water service.

II. DEFINITIONS.

The following definitions shall apply to terms and phrases used in this document:

- A. "Afy" means "acre feet per year."
- B. "Applicant" means a person, corporation, unincorporated association or other legal entity who seeks water service through the Santa Fe County Water Resources Department.
- C. "Application" shall mean the form used by Applicants to apply for New Water Deliveries from the Santa Fe County Water Resources Department.
- D. "Board" means the Board of County Commissioners of Santa Fe County.
- E. "Customer" means a person, corporation, unincorporated association or other legal entity who receives water service through the Santa Fe County Water Resources Department.
- F. "Department" means the Santa Fe County Water Resources Department.
- G. "Line Extension" means an extension of the Department's existing water system or facilities, which extension may include but is not limited to planning, design and construction of transmission and distribution line(s) with related appurtenances.
- H. "New Water Deliveries" means deliveries of water that are applied for after the effective date of this document.
- I. "Project" means a residential or commercial development that was platted or, in the case of a commercial development, that received final approval prior to the effective date of this document.
- J. "Service Area" means the territory which is eligible for water service by the Department as set forth by separate Resolution of the Board.

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K. "Water Delivery Agreement" is the agreement that grants an Applicant water deliveries pursuant to the approved schedule.

L. Water Resources Agreement means the "Water Resources Agreement between the City of Santa Fe and Santa Fe County."

M. "Year" means calendar year.

III. WATER SERVICE: GENERAL.

A. New Water Deliveries may be provided to an Applicant under the conditions set forth herein.

B. New water service shall be provided through a Water Delivery Agreement after deliveries are scheduled as set forth herein. The form and content of a Water Delivery Agreement shall be specified by the Department, and all such agreements shall be written on a form prepared by the Department.

C. Water service shall only be provided to Applicants within an area designated for water service.

D. A Water Delivery Agreement for New Water Deliveries will only be executed if the proposed deliveries are contained on the schedule of deliveries prepared by the County on an annual basis, as set forth in Article V.

E. Water Delivery Agreements shall not be assignable.

F. Nothing herein shall be interpreted as obligating the Department or the County to provide water service. Any oral representation by any person, whether or not employed by the County or the Department, that water service will be provided to any person not holding a valid Water Delivery Agreement shall be void.

IV. WATER SERVICE.

A. Sources of Water and Water Rights

1. Santa Fe County maintains a portfolio of water rights which are matched against physical water deliveries pursuant to State law. Nothing herein shall permit deliveries of water that are not matched with appropriate water rights, and Santa Fe County shall be the sole judge of whether adequate water rights exist at any particular time to serve an Application. Santa Fe County may deny any Application on the grounds that adequate water rights are not available to serve the Application.

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B. Annual Schedule of New Water Deliveries

2. To assist in preparing the annual schedule of deliveries, the Department shall maintain an accounting of available physical water, water rights, allocations established through a valid water service agreements in existence as of the effective date of this document, line losses, allocations established for affordable housing pursuant to Ordinance No. 2006-02, other allocations made to County sponsored projects or for County discretionary use, and deliveries that were made in the preceding year. When total deliveries of water in a given year to all customers of the County do not exceed 500 afy, the Department shall set aside no less than ten percent of the water that is deliverable that year for County purposes. When total deliveries of water in a given year exceed 500 afy, the Department shall set aside no less than 50 acre feet plus five percent of the water that is deliverable that year for County purposes. The Department shall

present the accounting to the Board along with its recommendations for the upcoming years' schedule.

3. Once the schedule is approved as described in the previous paragraph, any allocations established through valid water service agreements in existence as of the effective date of this document, line losses, allocations established for affordable housing pursuant to Ordinance No. 2006-02, other allocations made to County sponsored projects or for County discretionary use, and deliveries that were made in the preceding year shall not be available for distribution as New Water Deliveries.

4. Persons desiring New Water Deliveries during the upcoming year and persons holding valid water service agreements in existence as of the effective date of this document, shall file an Application seeking new water service with the Department on or before the date set for the filing of such applications by the Department. The Application shall be made on a form supplied by the Department, and shall be complete; incomplete Applications shall not be accepted. Holders of water service agreements that were executed prior to the effective date of this document must apply for each new delivery, and the deliveries shall be included on the annual schedule.

5. Based on its accounting, the Department may declare that water to service pending Applications is not available, either because of the unavailability of physical water or because insufficient water rights exist to justify deliveries. In this event, the Department shall, during a regular meeting, advise the Board of the problem and the inability to provide service. The Board may suspend issuance of a schedule or schedules for New Water Deliveries pursuant to Section IV (B) (1), until the problem is resolved, or issue a schedule based on its prioritization of water that is available.

6. If, based on its accounting, the Department determines that insufficient physical water or water rights exist to serve existing allocations plus scheduled deliveries for the upcoming year and a declaration of unavailability is made pursuant to the previous paragraph, the Department shall reject any pending Application, but shall keep the Application on file. If the problem that resulted in the declaration is corrected within one year, the Application may be processed. If water becomes available more than one year after submission of the Application, a new Application will be required.

7. Any New Water Deliveries that are scheduled for delivery that are not made within the one-year period of the schedule shall be cancelled and the underlying Water Delivery Agreement shall automatically terminate. Subsequent deliveries will require a new Application, schedule delivery and Water Delivery Agreement.

8. No deliveries will be made that are not consistent with the annual schedule unless extreme hardship is first demonstrated to the Board.

C. Prioritization of new deliveries

1. When there is more demand for New Water Deliveries for the upcoming fiscal year than the Department can deliver, and finding has been made pursuant to Section IV (B) (6), above, the County may allocate deliveries in any reasonable manner; allocation of water deemed to be available may be allocated among pending applications in any reasonable manner taking into consideration the following factors:

- a. [reserved]
- b. A project that partially developed a phase under a previous year's schedule and that requires water service to prevent economic infeasibility of the phase may receive priority.
- c. A project that employs water conservation measures above and beyond what are already required by County ordinance, or a project that employs energy efficiency measures may receive priority.
- d. Existing residential customers that do not receive County or community water service that suffer water supply quantity and/or quality problems (e.g., well requiring immediate work to meet demand or nitrate concentration greater than 10mg/l) or reasonably believe that water quantity or quality problems threaten water supplies (e.g., well water level declining and likely to require well work within two years or nitrate concentration between 4 and 10 mg/l), may be entitled to priority.
- e. A project that provides both water and wastewater service may be entitled to priority.
- f. A project within a growth priority area of the County, as established by planning documents adopted by the Board, may receive priority.

2. If prioritization becomes necessary, the Department shall provide recommendations to the Board concerning the relevant factors to be considered, the proper application of the factors to the facts of the Application, and the amount of water believed to be available for scheduling. In addition, the Department shall provide recommendations concerning the Department's efforts to increase future supplies.

V. WATER SERVICE: LINE EXTENSIONS.

A. Whenever a water service line is required in order for the Department to be able to deliver water to customers, an Applicant for New Water Deliveries shall be responsible for constructing infrastructure to provide the water service and for constructing any necessary improvements to the Department's infrastructure.

B. A valid Water Delivery Agreement or a separate line extension agreement shall be required prior to beginning construction of any proposed infrastructure.

C. The Applicant shall plan, design and construct the proposed line extension project. The planning, design work, and construction shall conform to this document, all other applicable laws, standards, Ordinances, Resolutions and regulations of the County, and the standards established by the American Water Works Association (AWWA). Prior to commencing construction of any line extension, engineering plans shall be prepared and certified by a Licensed Professional Engineer in the State of New Mexico and submitted to the Department for review and approval. The Department may disapprove any engineering plans that do not comply with this Resolution and the standards set forth herein. A line extension may be phased, but each phase must independently comply with this Resolution. Construction may commence only after the Department has issued its written approval of the engineering plans. Construction of the line extension project must conform to the approved plans, and shall meet all applicable standards, and shall be performed in a workmanlike manner consistent with standards existing within Santa Fe County. Personnel of the Department shall be permitted reasonable access to the construction site during periods when construction is taking place, and shall be permitted to inspect the project and to issue relevant orders relating to the project, including stop work orders for work that does not conform to the approved plans, requiring that work be constructed according to the approved plans, and requiring that work meet all applicable codes and standards.

D. The cost of planning, designing, constructing and inspecting a line extension project shall be the sole responsibility of the Applicant. Upon completion of construction of the work, the County may accept the work. Acceptance of the line extension project shall be made only by the Director of the Water Resources Department or a designee, and shall be made in writing. After acceptance, the applicant shall ensure that the line extension project and all of its components, including water lines, meters, trunks, stubs, fire hydrants, pumps and other equipment, become the property of Santa Fe County through a separate deed or, as appropriate, plat dedication. Thereafter, the line extension project shall become the property of Santa Fe County and shall be operated and maintained by the Department.

E. The Applicant shall grant to the County, without charge, any and all permanent easements and rights-of-way over and across the Applicant's property on which the line extension project, and any component thereof, is located. Such grant shall be made through the appropriate plat dedication or instrument, and shall be recorded in the office of the Santa Fe County Clerk. The easements and rights-of-way may be located, to the extent possible considering cost and engineering feasibility, in a manner that avoids unreasonable interference with the Applicant's contemplated uses of its property, in a way that complements the contemplated uses, and in accordance with sound construction and engineering standards and practices. In the event that easements and rights-of-way must be acquired from third parties who are not parties to this Agreement in order to complete the line extension project, acquisition of such easements and rights-of-way shall be the sole responsibility of the Applicant.

F. After completion of the line extension project as set forth in the previous paragraphs, the Applicant may be entitled to receive water service pursuant to a Water Delivery Agreement. All such service must be scheduled pursuant to Section IV (B) (1), above, and shall be subject to the prevailing service rates, as published from time to time by the Water Resources Department.

G. If the Department desires that a given line extension be modified to accommodate other reasonably anticipated County needs, the County may require amendments to the line extension project. Any such amendments shall be the subject of a separate written agreement by and between the County and the Applicant. Oral instructions to modify a line extension project to benefit the County shall not be valid in the absence of a valid written contract.

H. Certain smaller applications (e.g., individual residences or neighborhoods currently not receiving service) may provide cash payment and avoid constructing infrastructure pursuant to the requirements set forth above. In such instances, the County shall construct the required infrastructure. The Applicant shall provide any necessary easements. The County shall provide an estimate of the costs to the Applicant; however, an Applicant shall be responsible for the entire costs of construction that may accrue, whether or not said costs exceed the County's estimate. If costs are less than estimated, or if the County receives external funding for construction, the Applicant may receive a refund, or a credit against billings. The Applicant remains responsible for paying any required fees.

VI. APPLICATION PROCESS.

A. To be eligible to receive scheduled water deliveries and a Water Delivery Agreement, an Applicant must meet the following criteria:

1. An Application must be submitted to the Water Resources Department in writing on the form provided by the Water Resources Department.
2. The service requested must be within a designated service area of water service of the Department.
3. The Applicant must agree to comply with all the terms set forth in this document.
4. In order to be placed on the schedule for water deliveries, the project for which the Applicant seeks water service must be approved, as applicable, through the County's land development approval process.

B. An Application will be processed only upon receipt of a complete Application. Applications for water service shall be incorporated into the Department's recommendations for scheduled deliveries pursuant to Section IV (B), herein.

C. If an Application is granted, the Department shall notify the Applicant of the necessity to execute a Water Delivery Agreement. Service will not be provided until an agreement is executed, water rights are deposited into County ownership, and any required fees are paid.

VII. REQUESTS TO AMEND A SERVICE AREA.

A. An Applicant may petition the Department to amend the Department's declared water service area at any time.

B. Once an application is made to amend the Department's service area, the Department shall analyze the request and shall determine the technical merits of the application and evaluate the cost of providing service within the area requested. The analysis shall be presented to the Board for consideration.

C. The Board shall consider the application, the report of the Department, and the statements of persons supporting or opposing the application. The Board may base its decision whether to amend a service area on the ability of the County to service the proposed service area, the costs of providing such service, the revenue expected to be received as a result of the service so provided, and other relevant facts.

VIII. BULK WATER SERVICE TO COMMUNITY SYSTEMS.

A. The County may provide water service to community water systems, mutual domestic water associations, cooperative water associations, water and sanitation districts, and other similar entities on a bulk service basis.

B. All requests for such service shall be presented to the Board, and shall be documented pursuant to a Joint Powers Agreement or other appropriate agreement.

C. The rate to be charged for water provided pursuant to this Section shall be the bulk service rate set forth in Department's rate schedules.

D. Deliveries made pursuant to this Section shall be scheduled as set forth in Section IV (B), herein.

IX. ALLOCATION LIMITATIONS.

A. Allocations of capacity for New Water Deliveries shall be limited as set forth on the schedule in any given year, and an Applicant, notwithstanding any transfer of water rights or cash, shall not be entitled to water in any upcoming year unless water deliveries are scheduled and have commenced pursuant to the schedule.

B. In no event shall a residential property be scheduled to receive more than 0.25 afy per dwelling unit (including guest homes, if any) in any given year.

C. New Water Deliveries to any residential development or commercial development shall be limited to 35 afy each year absent extraordinary conditions, except for deliveries made under water service agreements executed prior to the effective date of this document.

D. In no event shall any property be scheduled to receive water in excess of the amount of water rights held by the County to match against the deliveries.

E. For residential subdivisions and commercial developments, an allocation for a given amount of water pursuant to a Water Delivery Agreement will be based on the Applicant's expected water demand for the project, which will in turn be based on the Applicant's projected water budget. Although the Department, and in many cases the County Land Use Department, reviews the proposed water budget for reasonableness, the Department's review shall not be construed as legitimizing the amount of the request for purposes of land use approvals. In the

event that the actual use exceeds the allocation and the amounts set forth in the Water Delivery Agreement, the Department shall take steps to limit actual water use to the amount agreed upon or require the Applicant to supply additional water rights to support deliveries.

X. WATER RIGHTS AND CASH PAYMENTS.

A. At the time of execution of a Water Delivery Agreement, or before at the Applicant's election, an Applicant shall be required to deposit with the County water rights (or the cash equivalent at the County's option to the value of the water rights required, both as established by the County), to support deliveries pursuant to the Water Delivery Agreement, plus 20%. Using a dedication form provided by the Department, an Applicant may deposit water rights with the County at any time that are intended to back up water deliveries in future years or to satisfy requirements under the Land Development Code, with the understanding that deposit of said water rights does not create a delivery obligation on the part of the County to delivery water in subsequent years otherwise than as set forth in this document and the annual schedules issued by the County pursuant to the provisions herein. If the Applicant elects to make a cash deposit in lieu of water rights, deliveries will not be scheduled until the County has obtained water rights to match against scheduled deliveries.

B. If water rights are deposited, no later than upon execution of the Water Delivery Agreement, the Applicant shall prepare and submit to the County an application for the transfer of water rights. The water rights transferred pursuant to this paragraph shall be used for offset purposes at the City's Buckman well field pursuant to the "Water Resources Agreement between the City of Santa Fe and Santa Fe County," or transferred to another point of diversion designated by the County. Concurrent with the application to transfer the water rights to the point of diversion, the Applicant shall convey the water rights to the County and obtain approval of a transfer through the Office of the State Engineer. The Applicant shall pay all costs associated with these proceedings. If the water rights are transferred to the Buckman Well Field, the Applicant shall pay the additional cost, if any, necessary to transfer the water rights from the Buckman Well Field to the Buckman Direct Diversion project at any time, if requested to do so by the County. If the County elects to undertake the transfers itself, the Applicant shall reimburse the County for all costs associated with the proceedings before the Office of the State Engineer, and may be required to provide advance payment of the costs.

C. Upon the final, non-appealable issuance of an order approving the application for transfer, the Applicant shall inform the County and provide a copy of the order. If the application is denied, the Applicant shall provide adequate substitute water rights.

D. Any return flow credits that may be approved by the Office of the State Engineer (hereinafter "the OSE") that are associated with the water rights shall belong to the County.

E. If required by the Office of the State Engineer, the Applicant shall acquire and transfer ownership to the County sufficient water rights within an affected tributary system sufficient to offset depletion of the tributary surface flows, as determined by the OSE, and associated with the pumping of the transferred water rights from the diversion point.

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F. If water service is not scheduled and the Applicant proposes to terminate the Water Delivery Agreement, the water rights may be returned to the Applicant and the Applicant shall be responsible for the costs of effectuating the transfer, or, at the County's sole option, the County may purchase the water rights for their-then fair market value.

XI. THE COUNTY'S DELIVERY OBLIGATIONS UNDER A WATER DELIVERY AGREEMENT

A. Once deliveries have been placed on the annual schedule and a Water Delivery Agreement has been executed, and so long as the Customer or Applicant has fulfilled all of its obligations as set forth in the relevant agreement, then, for so long as the Customer or Applicant complies with such obligations, the Department shall provide water service to the Customer or Applicant and successors-in-interest.

B. The Department shall endeavor, by all reasonable means, to deliver the agreed-upon amount of water, suitable in quality for municipal, domestic and industrial use, at pressures meeting the Customer or Applicant's needs.

C. Water service will be provided in accordance with all of the Department's policies, and subject to all the established fees, costs and expenses required by ordinances, resolutions, regulations, contractual conditions, as amended from time to time.

D. In the event of a shortage of water supply or an interruption of water supply due to operational constraints, insufficient water rights, or a lack of physical water, the Department may curtail usage or customers in accordance with County ordinances and regulations. The County shall have no liability for any reduction in water deliveries due to water supply shortages or an interruption of water supply due to operational constraints.

E. Once deliveries pursuant to a Water Delivery Agreement begin, use of any domestic well associated with the premises shall cease and the well plugged and abandoned. Any water rights associated with such a domestic well shall, to the extent permitted by the Office of the State Engineer, be transferred to the County.

XII. CHARGES AND FEES

A. All customers of the Department shall pay fees and charges associated with water service as set forth in schedules promulgated from time to time by the Department and approved by the Board. The Department may assess standby fees, meter fees, impact fees, connection fees, inspection fees, and engineering fees on any particular project.

B. [reserved]

C. The Applicant's obligation to pay service charges will cease when a sufficient number of dwelling units and commercial properties have used water for a period of time sufficient for the County to determine whether the approved water budget reflects actual usage. Release of the Customer from its obligation to pay service charges will be at the sole discretion of the County but such release shall not be unreasonably withheld.

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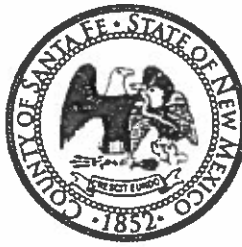
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MEMORANDUM

DATE: *October 6, 2014*

TO: *Board of County Commissioners*

FROM: *Adam Leigland, Public Works Department Director*

VIA: *Katherine Miller, County Manager*

ITEM: *Update on the La Bajada Ranch Steering Committee progress and request direction on planned approach for soliciting, evaluating and recommending project alternatives to the Board of County Commission (Resolution 2012-106)*

SUMMARY:

The action requested is the review and approval of methodology and timeline of the La Bajada Ranch Steering Committee's plan for soliciting proposals for development of the 470 acre portion of the ranch purchased by Santa Fe County.

BACKGROUND/UPDATE:

In November of 2009 Santa Fe County acquired 470.55 acres of former ranch land near the traditional community of La Cienega, south of the City of Santa Fe for \$7 million. At the time of purchase the property was known as Santa Fe Canyon Ranch. County staff changed the name of the project to La Bajada Ranch to recognize the historical name given to the property and to distinguish the current planning effort from previous development plans. At the time of the purchase and since that time, the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) has directed staff to work with the community at La Cienega and the larger County constituency to plan for appropriate development of the property. The BCC also committed \$325,000 for immediate needs and remediation at the property.

In order to provide guidance for the steering committee's work, the County has established the following preliminary goals for development:

1. Land uses and development projects will be compatible with the land, will respect the surrounding communities, local agricultural practices and will be sustainable.
2. Development projects will strive to serve the diverse needs of Santa Fe County residents.

3. Development standards will conform to the goals and strategies in the Sustainable Growth Management Plan (2010).
4. Development projects will strive to maximize Santa Fe County's investment in the property while adhering to a strict set of development criteria.
5. Development will conserve the unique cultural, agricultural, historical, and biological resources of the property.

In January of 2014 representatives of the Steering Committee presented a progress update to the BCC and presented a path forward for soliciting proposals for the development of the ranch.

Subsequent to the January 2014 meeting, the Steering Committee broke into subcommittees to formulate language for the scoping statement and evaluation criteria. The Steering committee and County staff have prepared a Draft RFP and a preliminary procurement schedule and discussed ideas to further involve the community members in the process.

The RFP process is proposed to be conducted in two parts. The first part is a solicitation for the qualifications of interested offerors. The second part includes the solicitation from selected offerors for a Development plan for the property. The final selection will be determined by the evaluation of submitted Development proposals.

The Committee has also discussed the need to have additional ideas from the Public to provide a greater inventory of ideas that could be made available to prospective offerors. Committee members will be present to discuss the proposed methodology for soliciting ideas and formal proposals for the future use of the property.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Staff is recommending that the Board of County Commission approve the proposed formal solicitation methodology and provide direction on the request to have an additional "call for public ideas" to include in ideas presented as a result of a public survey in 2010 and the guidelines developed from the community forum in 2011.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF SANTA FE COUNTY**

RESOLUTION NO. 2012- 106

**A RESOLUTION
ESTABLISHING A STEERING COMMITTEE FOR THE PURPOSE OF EVALUATING
PROPOSED ALTERNATIVES TO THE SANTA FE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR DEVELOPING LA BAJADA RANCH**

WHEREAS, in November of 2009 Santa Fe County acquired 470.55 acres of former ranch land near the traditional community of La Cienega, south of the City of Santa for \$7 million;

WHEREAS, County staff changed the name of the property from Santa Fe Canyon Ranch to La Bajada Ranch in order to recognize the historical name given to the property and to distinguish the current planning effort from previous development plans;

WHEREAS, at the time of the purchase, and since that time, the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) has directed staff to work with the community at La Cienega and the larger County constituency to plan for appropriate development of the property;

WHEREAS, County staff completed a land suitability analysis that determined which portions of the property are suitable for development and which portions should be reserved as conservation land;

WHEREAS, the County seeks to request proposals for projects for both those areas designated for development and those areas designated for conservation;

WHEREAS, the members of the Santa Fe County community at large possess expertise in various fields that will be critical in assisting the County to evaluate proposed development projects; and

WHEREAS, various experts have expressed a willingness to volunteer to help

the County evaluate proposed projects for La Bajada Ranch.

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
HEREBY RESOLVES AND PROCLAIMS AS FOLLOWS:**

1. The BCC hereby established the La Bajada Ranch Steering Committee (the Committee). The Committee shall be organized as set forth herein and shall have the authority and purpose as set forth herein.

2. The express purpose of the Committee is to evaluate and recommend to the Board of County Commissioners project alternatives for La Bajada Ranch. That evaluation and the recommendations will be developed to ensure the following:

- a. Land uses and development projects will be compatible with the land, will respect the surrounding communities and local agricultural practices, and will be sustainable.
- b. Development projects will strive to serve the diverse needs of greater Santa Fe County residents.
- c. Development standards will conform to the goals and strategies in the Sustainable Growth Management Plan (2010).
- d. Development projects will strive to maximize Santa Fe County's investment in the property while adhering to a strict set of development criteria.
- e. Development will conserve the unique cultural, agricultural, historical, and biological resources of the property.

3. The duties and responsibilities of the Committee are to:

- a. Solicit project proposals for implementation at La Bajada Ranch;
- b. Evaluate all project proposals submitted for the La Bajada Ranch;
- c. Provide a written report to the BCC in which the strengths and weaknesses of

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Conservation Property:

- i. Supports a community function for the greater county community;
- ii. Supports tourism;
- iii. Is self-supporting
- iv. Supports conservation of the natural environment;
- v. Helps interpret the pre-history and history of Santa Fe County for county residents and visitors.
- vi. Increases the conservation value of the property;
- vii. Provides a service for under-served or at risk populations;
- viii. Fills an economic development or social service niche for the County;
- ix. Provides a unique service to the county;
- x. Improves the quality of the environment and quality of life for neighboring communities.

the property designated by the County as Development Areas:

- i. Is self-supporting;
- ii. Increases revenue for the County;
- iii. Provides a model for sustainable development
- iv. Provides a service for under-served or at risk populations;
- v. Avoids or mitigates negative impacts to the terrain, soils, and ecology of the property;
- vi. Is “sustainable” as defined in the SGMP;
- vii. Realizes a market need;
- viii. Fills an economic development or social service niche for the County;
- ix. Provides a unique service to the County;
- x. Makes strong economic sense and provides returns on the county’s existing investment;
- xi. Provides a model for future development in other parts of the County;
- xii. Supports the long range economic development, tourism, or energy plans for the State of New Mexico;

- xiii. Fills a niche in the housing market;
- xiv. Improves the quality of the environment and quality of life for neighboring communities.

4. The Committee shall be made up of fourteen members, thirteen of whom are appointed by the BCC. Of the initial appointments, six shall serve for an initial two year term, and the remaining seven shall serve for an initial three year term. The County Commissioner from District 3 shall be the fourteenth member of the Committee. Members may be removed by the BCC with or without cause. All other members shall have expertise within one or more of the following areas:

- a. Community representation of La Cienega /La Cieneguilla;
- b. Commercial and residential development;
- c. The Santa Fe County housing market;
- d. Tribal representation;
- e. Development of educational programs;
- f. Green infrastructure;
- g. Renewable energy and energy conservation;
- h. Tourism/economic development;
- i. Water and ecology;
- j. A member of the Board of County Commissioners other than from District 3.
- k. A resident from each of the commission districts whose Commissioners are not on the Committee.

5. The Committee shall provide a preliminary written report and recommendation at a public meeting of the BCC within twelve months of the date of adoption of this Resolution. Additional assignments shall be accomplished by amendment to paragraphs 2 and 3 of this Resolution.

6. The Committee shall meet as often as necessary to carry out their work, but not less than once per month. The meetings of the Committee shall be held in the Commission Chambers and such other locations as may be conducive to visible and publicly accessible meetings. Meetings shall be held in accordance with the County's Resolution Determining Reasonable Notice for Public Meetings of the Board of County Commissioners of Santa Fe County, and for Boards and Committees Appointed by or Acting Under the Authority of the Board of County Commissioners as well as the County's Resolution Establishing Rules of Order for Meetings of the Board of County Commissioners of Santa Fe County and for Certain Specified Committees.

7. All matters coming before the Committee shall be resolved by majority vote of the quorum.

8. The Steering Committee will be facilitated by staff from the Public Works Department, Projects, Facilities, and Open Space Division. The County Manager shall appoint a member of the County staff to serve as liason to the Committee. The liason shall be responsible for stenographic services during meetings. The liason shall ensure that packets are prepared for Committee members prior to each meeting, and that notices and agendas are created and posted in accordance with the County's Open Meetings Act Resolution.

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED this 28 day of August, 2012.

Liz Stefani
Liz Stefani, Chair

ATTEST:

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Valerie Espinoza, Santa Fe County Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Well, okay, I'm fine with that. It's just that Commissioner Anaya is gone and he's related to both of those projects as well, so great. Okay. Thanks.

7. a. 3. **Turquoise Trail Senior Center Project Update and La Bajada Ranch Project Update**

MR. HOGAN: If I could, what I'd like to do is introduce Eric Blinman and Peter Weiss who are the chair and the co-chair of the La Bajada Ranch Steering Committee and have them present an update on some activities and then I'll have a couple of closing comments on that.

PETER WEISS: Mr. Chair and Commissioners, I'm Peter Weiss. I'm the co-chair of the committee and I want to just report briefly about one of the events that we were able to carry out. As you know our committee is charged with coming up with an advisory report to you all at the Commission about the future of the ranch and we have gone through a number of different processes over the last several months. But one of the things we found pressing on us was a more effective outreach into the community.

So in November, November 23rd, we were able to open the ranch for the first time in a number of years to the public and we had an open house. This was the week just before Thanksgiving. As you know, it was snowing that weekend so we had kind of a rough day but in spite of that we had over 60 people come from the public and many people from the La Cienega community. I want to particularly thank staff and the rest of the County staff, particularly Mr. Baca's group for signage and so forth. There were a lot of people that contributed to this, most importantly and most gratifying to the committee was the participation by members of the public from the La Cienega community itself who not only came to help with introducing the property to members of the committee, those of us who weren't familiar with it already, they also provided sort of docent support for people in the public who wanted to know more about the history of the ranch and they brought fantastic food for everybody too. So it was really a successful day and a great way for us to reach out.

I want to point out that we have had a real core group of people from the community participating or coming into our meetings, we have open meetings and they all have been very active in participating during the public part of it. We're starting to see a few more people. We've had email responses from people as a result of the open house and it was a wonderful experience and one of the things that we want to continue to try to do as we develop our final report to the Commission. Do you have any questions about that?

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Commissioner, please.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: So, when do you expect a final report?

MR. WEISS: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Stefanics, I'll leave that to my colleague who is the chairman of the committee to answer that. We're still working. I think we have a number of months left to go. Those of us who are on the committee are empowered for different lengths of time. I think mine runs for two years. But I hope we could

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get it done long before that. I'll leave that to my colleague, Eric Blinman. Any other questions? Thank you.

ERIC BLINMAN: Mr. Chair and Commissioners, I wish I could give you a definitive answer on that. We would all like the pace to be going twice as fast as it is, but we've broken down some of the initial tasks of the committee work into subcommittees. They've actually taken their charges extremely seriously and we expect to have some significant progress on the subcommittee work on approaches to evaluation, on criteria and on the process of solicitation from the public on potential uses of the property. And my personal goal is that the meeting after the next one, that we have something absolutely concrete to report. Whether or not we can achieve that, we'll see.

I'd like to bring one item to your attention, which is that we have three open slots on the committee. Of the 14 members of the committee that were identified for participation we have vacancies in District 5 with the resignation of Jill Cliburn. We have a vacancy in the position for someone with an interest in commercial and residential development, and we have a vacancy in tribal representation. And those are vacancies that only the Commission can fill, if the Commission chooses, and so I just wanted to highlight that those vacancies exist and we would welcome additional input as we move forward in the committee's work.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: So, Mr. Chair.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Yes, Commissioner Stefanics.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Ms. Miller, on the vacancy for District 5, can I just recruit somebody or do they need to go through a public advertising and vetting? Or how did we handle the last group?

MS. MILLER: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Stefanics, we advertise and had very specific requirements in the resolution that created the committee but I think for representatives from that districts that's not an issue. Right, Mark? So if we had somebody --

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Right. So the question I'm asking is can I just go recruit somebody for District 5?

MR. HOGAN: Mr. Chair, Commissioner, the last time we took nominations then staff solicited résumés and not-compete clause information and passed that back to the Commission and they nominated or selected them. So, yes, you can nominate somebody and then we will vet them to make sure that there's nothing that would disqualify them and then it would go to the Commission to make that official.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: So the second person we need besides District 5 is a commercial or residential developer? And the third one is?

MR. HOGAN: Tribal representation.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Tribal. Okay. Thank you very much.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Chairman Blinman and Mr. Hogan, and I also would support whoever Commissioner Stefanics wants to nominate as her representative. It's her representative so just name whoever you want, Commissioner Stefanics. But let me ask this, gentlemen. What does the resolution say? Did we extend this to be an indefinite timeline to get a recommendation back from this committee? I know we extended it once. We put a resolution forth. We gave certain parameters of what our expectations were that talked about

a slew of objectives and it's respectfully gone to where it's gone to. But we had some date-certain requirements that we asked, and granted, some of our committees go a little longer than they go and that's fine. Do you have a copy of that resolution, Mr. Hogan?

MR. HOGAN: Mr. Chair, I don't have a copy of the resolution with me. There were dates-certain in terms of reporting back to the Commission and so that first date was some time last fall, I think, in September, and we came to the Board and made presentation then on where we stood at that point. As far as I remember there is no clause or provision in the resolution that states that their work will be concluded by a date specific.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Mr. Chair.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Commissioner Stefanics.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: On this point, we had another task force a few years ago and I think it was on the conjunctive wells, and they wanted to keep going and they wanted to keep going and they wanted to keep going and we finally said, enough. Come next month with a report. So I do believe that we have dates-certain usually when we request something, and I'm not saying that this group isn't working hard, I'm just saying we should give everybody a goal, a finish line. And if we haven't done that we should do it. Ms. Miller, do you know anything about the deadline

MS. MILLER: Mr. Chair, Commissioner Stefanics, I'd have to look at the resolution, but I don't think there were specific deadlines in the resolution for recommendations. I think we had difficulty just getting the whole committee together and the thought was they would also work throughout as things came forward, so I think in this particular one it was not going to be – there wasn't a specific deadline, but I think we could do that. I think the Commission could say we would like at least some preliminary recommendations by a certain date.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Mr. Chair.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Yes, Commissioner. You sit as a representative on that committee.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Yes. As a representative on the committee I can assure you that the committee really does want to complete this project in the most efficient way possible. There's been a lot of discussion about that, about in fact how to do that. I don't think that this particular committee wants to drag this out at all. And I think that the – as I remember, if I remember correctly, at the last meeting we talked about the next report to the Board being a schedule for completion.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Fair enough. Let me just ask this question if I can. One, I've attended one of your meetings. I know you guys were working late one night; I was here late one night. You were in our legal conference room, this week or last week, I think. Again, time escapes me. But do you have troubles meeting quorums? Have you not continued meeting because you can't make quorums sometimes?

MR. BLINMAN: Mr. Chair, Commissioners, we've had less trouble with quorums, although that occasionally has been the case than we've had with making sure that we've hit all the requirements for notifications, agendas, open meetings. So we've lost, I think one or two – two meeting opportunities to deadline malfunctions between – in the

communication. I think we've streamlined things to the point where that shouldn't be an issue in the future.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Okay.

MR. BLINMAN: I think I can echo Commissioner Holian's comment that I don't think any of us serving on the committee wants to drag out anything whatsoever. What I found interesting was looking at the anticipation of enrollment dates or term expiration dates, which extend all the way into December 2014 and December 2015, so that in setting this up there was some anticipation that this was going to be a longer-term committee than you're implying. However, that said –

CHAIR MAYFIELD: And Mr. Chair, respectfully, it wasn't in my mind when I – because I was one of the co-sponsors of this resolutions, it was not in my mind or my intent that this would be going on perpetually indefinite to have a recommendation coming from this board.

MR. BLINMAN: Mr. Chair and Commissioners, I think we will try to get it over with quickly.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: And that being said, I can't speak for anybody who has left your committee but I know there has been some frustration expressed that it seems like we're kind of spinning our wheels on that committee and we're just kind of – I can't say that's why people have fallen off that committee. I know that some of the appointees that I have made have said, I don't know if you guys are being productive on this committee anymore. Commissioner, it's fine to sigh there, I guess. That's what has been expressed to me. I know people have addressed issues of wanting to maybe put some PV on that. They've made recommendations on siting on this committee. I don't know if it's been entertained, just different economic development potentials on the committee. That's the reports I want to get back. I want to hear that in front of this Board and we haven't heard anything like that. And I've been waiting to hear something like that back.

Commissioners, on that note, I think we asked that we could have two Commissioners sit on this. Commissioner Anaya resigned, or however that shook out and I will then ask that I get appointed to this task force too then. I think that was in that initial resolution. I want to see this move.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Mr. Chair.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Commissioner.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: I was one of the individuals who felt that it was not appropriate for Commissioners to be on or leading the committee because often the group follows the lead of the Commissioner. But I guess Commissioner Holian's been attending so maybe she could give a perspective on that, but I just don't want an entire – we are requesting volunteers to come forward and we don't want them to be silent and acquiesce to what one or two people want. So I just – that was my perspective or comments a few months ago.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: And I respect what Commissioner Holian says, but we have one Commissioner sitting on it right now.

MS. MILLER: Mr. Chair, I did get to talk to Commissioner Anaya, and this might help on this subject, I said that – he couldn't call in but I asked them if there was any point he wanted to make. There were two things and they're along the line of what you're talking about. One, he said he would like to have someone appointed in – from his district to represent the position that he had had but felt maybe he should step back on because it's in his district so he thought he should have a representative from his district and was hoping we would look into that. And the second item was the issue of solar and some of the things that have come up as ideas that he thought those should come forward to the Commission for some discussion. So just so you know. And the deadlines for some discussion items to be presented to you should be set.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you. Chairman Blinman.

MR. BLINMAN: Mr. Chair, members of the Commission, there's some lack of clarity in terms of Commissioner Anaya's role. He was initially chair of the committee and my understanding was he resigned from the chair position that he did not resign from the committee. One of the reasons why he resigned from the chair position was he was unable to make – he was the least attendant member of the committee throughout all of the meetings. And so he was simply unable to participate in any meaningful way. And so I think we've restructured and accomplished more since he withdrew from that position than when we lacked it. Also I would – I think I can frankly say that we lost a fair amount of time in the beginning when there was considerable confusion about the role of the committee in matters that ultimately were decided by the Board of Commissioners in terms of the property itself, that weren't in our mandate but it was confused and we were debating – I'm trying to remember exactly how to phrase it – issues that were in the Board of County Commissioners' purview, not in our committee's purview. And that was extremely frustrating and I think we lost three of our initial meetings to those discussions. And now we're on track.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Mr. Chair.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Yes, Commissioner Holian.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Just as an attendee of the meetings, and a member of the committee, I'd have to say that yes, there was some confusion in the beginning. There was a slow start. But I have to say in the last two meetings that we really have come up with a process and also I think we defined exactly what it is that we are going to do and what it is that it's up to the Board to decide. And so I feel very positive that we now have our feet firmly planted on the ground and we know what we're doing and we are going forward. And like I say, the plan was, for the next presentation there will be a timeline presented to the Board of what exactly is going to be done when.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Chair Blinman.

MR. BLINMAN: Mr. Chair, one other – we have had one presentation on photovoltaics so far and we will be considering more, so that's not off the radar at all. It's just that we're trying to make sure that we're putting the cart before the horse with any of the potential uses of this property.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: And Mr. Chair, I don't have the resolution in front of me but I just recall that there were a lot of options that we asked for consideration out there – archeological studies, open space studies, economic development studies. There was a whole

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slew of things that we asked for and I thought there were some timelines. I just ask that staff bring back – or look. I guess I can google it right now. I'm tired but I'll look at that and I'll just ask – I'm going to be asking for this to come back on the agenda again. But I'm just going to bring this up because I have attended a couple of the meetings, but when I hear, arguably, potential violations of the Open Meetings Act it causes me concern. When there's – Commissioner, I'm going to say that. When people want to go into retreat and have these retreats private where the public can't be invited, that causes me concern. Because this again needs to be an open process and I just – I won't belabor this point but these were bought with public taxpayer dollars from all of Santa Fe County and that has been a bone of contention with me, that this has to, in my mind, best utilized for all of Santa Fe County again. And so I believe that the composite of this committee was from all of Santa Fe County and that those decisions, if it's by this Board or by that committee, needs to be done in a public setting. And that's what I want to say.

MR. BLINMAN: Mr. Chair, you'll find absolutely no disagreement between your position and my position.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you, Mr. Chair. Commissioner, do you have anything to add?

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: No.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you. Thank you, gentlemen. And Ms. Miller, thank you for handing this to me. This was just on the report that was given. But did we give an addendum to this deadline? Because right now with this resolution that was handed to be, The committee shall provide a preliminary written report and recommendation at a public meeting of the BCC within 12 months of the date of adoption of this resolution. Additional assignments shall be accomplished by amendments to paragraph 2 and 3 of this resolution. I just think though that we may have had one addendum to this resolution though. But we can look at that.

MS. MILLER: Mr. Chair, I don't think we did an addendum but we did have the issue of the membership discussion come up. And the committee did give a report but it was at that timeframe, it would have been last fall. The problem was it didn't have specific recommendations other than to keep on doing what they were doing. So I think perhaps we'd want to in the future have very specific things that we'd like to say recommendations on what and what the report would include.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: And again, I think Commissioner Holian and both the ones who championed this resolution and sponsored it, so I have a vested interest in this resolution also. Commissioner Holian, I think the whole Commission does who signed on to it and I want to see it through.

COMMISSIONER HOLIAN: Mr. Chair, we agree totally on that point. I want to see it through.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you. So I will be asking that this come back within at least two months, Ms. Miller. Thank you.

MR. HOGAN: Mr. Chair, as a footnote to that, there was a schedule that was presented at the last meeting and it was subject to quite a bit of discussion and that was why

that was not presented this evening. There were still issues that needed to be sorted out. It's a large property; it's a sensitive property and it's a complex process. And so –

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Mark, respectfully, it was a large property when it was decided to be purchased and again, so there was – it should have been brought out when it was purchased also.

MR. HOGAN: Okay.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: That's just my point. And I just think – but thank you.

MR. HOGAN: I'd just –

CHAIR MAYFIELD: No, I appreciate that.

MR. HOGAN: Okay. Our next presentation then is on the Highway 14 senior center/community center. I handed out a handout that shows – the coversheet shows the proximity of the location which we've discussed before. It's at the intersection of Highway 14 and County Road 42. The second sheet shows the five properties that are within the area being considered and then the aerial photo on the third page shows those properties as located on the ground. So we're in the process of pursuing two of the five lots. We went through an initial period of trying to negotiate with the homeowners association to allow this site to be considered.

We succeeded in that and now we're at the point where we need to get appraisals on the property so that we can formalize an offer. We have retained an appraiser. That actually took longer than expected just due to the limited number of people that were available for doing those in a timely way. That process is underway right now. We have one other hurdle before we can solidify an offer on this and that is to present to the homeowners association a conceptual plan of how we'd use the property so they can see how that would not create a conflict with their interests or the other lot owners' interest there so that we can get their support. So those plans are underway but we need to get some financial information back on the properties in the form of the appraisals to make sure that we're choosing the property or two of the lots within the property allocation budget that we have.

So with that I can stand for questions.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you, Mr. Hogan. Commissioners, any questions?
Commissioner Stefanics.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Thank you, and I'm not going to belabor this, but I have had some constituents – first of all, I like the area. I'm not sure; I think Commissioner Anaya does too, but I have some constituents who wanted to know when there's going to be any kind of public meeting in the area to start talking about what it is that they want before we move too far ahead. And I understand we have to get the money. We have to move ahead with certain initial stages but over the holidays there was quite a bit of interest that came up.

MR. HOGAN: Mr. Chair and Commissioner, we're very interested in moving to that step. We've been looking at different properties up and down 14. For anybody that's familiar with this property, it's a gorgeous piece of ground in an excellent location. It's exactly right where we want to be. We've been reluctant to schedule a community meeting

until we had a little more assurance that that was going to be the location and then invite public comment.

COMMISSIONER STEFANICS: Thank you.

CHAIR MAYFIELD: Thank you, Commissioner Stefanics. Commissioner Chavez? Thank you, Commissioners. Thank you, Mr. Hogan.

MR. HOGAN: Thank you.

7. a. 4. **Recognition of the Santa Fe County Adult Detention Facility for Meeting Professional Standards of Detention Administration Established By the Adult Detention Professional Standards Council and for Receiving the New Mexico Local Accreditation Program Certificate From the New Mexico Association of Counties [Postponed]**
5. **Acknowledgement and Recognition of the Santa Fe County Risk Management Division for Completing 5 Years of the New Mexico Association of Counties Risk Awareness Program and Reducing Workers' Compensation Claims By 27%, and for Receiving the Honorable Mention Safety Award for Division V, Class a Counties [Postponed]**
- b. **Presentations**
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 2. **Corrections Advisory Committee Bi-annual Report Presented by Chair Frank Susman [Postponed]**
7. c. **Information Items**
 1. **Public Works Monthly Report**
 2. **Public Safety Monthly Report**
 3. **Growth Management Monthly Report**
 4. **Community Services Monthly Report**
 5. **Human Resources Monthly Report**
 6. **Financial Report for the Quarter Ending 12/31/2013**

MS. MILLER: Mr. Chair, as far as items from the Manager, the other two items, other than just to mention them, we will bring those back at the next meeting or at the end of February but as was state just kind of briefly earlier, the Public Safety Department and the Adult Detention Facility really received a remarkable achievement and that was getting accreditation through the New Mexico Local Accreditation program from the Association of Counties on our Adult Detention Facility for the Adult Detention Profession Accreditation program certificate. That was awarded to them on Thursday.

And then as well, our Safety Committee in our Risk Management Division completed five years at the New Mexico Association of Counties Risk Awareness program, the RAP program, and reduced Workers' Comp claims. We got an honorable mention for reducing Workers' Comp claims by 27 percent for the division for Class A counties. For Division 5 for

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I. INTRODUCTION

Methodology

This research study was commissioned by Santa Fe County in order to gain public input regarding possible uses of the recently purchased 470 acres of the Santa Fe Canyon Ranch land. Two separate studies were conducted. The first study was conducted among residents living in the greater La Cienega area. The second study was conducted among Santa Fe residents countywide.

Study 1: La Cienega Area Residential Survey

Residents had the option of completing the survey either by mail or online. Surveys were sent to all La Cienega area residents who had an identifiable mailing address. Residents were also informed via community newsletters and through community meetings that the survey was available online (or through the mail) and encouraged to participate in the study.

Residents were first sent a survey in July of 2010 and given the option of either returning a completed survey to Research & Polling, or completing the survey online. Surveys (both mail and Internet) were accepted until October 8th of 2010. A total of 158 La Cienega area residents completed a survey.

Research & Polling, Inc. was responsible for compiling, aggregating, and analyzing the data. No one from Santa Fe County had access to the individual responses or the raw data. All individual responses have been kept confidential and anonymous.

Study 2: Santa Fe County Survey

In addition to conducting a survey among La Cienega area residents, a survey was also made accessible to residents in all Santa Fe County. The objective of this second study was to assess what residents countywide believe are the most appropriate uses for the Santa Fe Canyon Ranch Land.

Surveys were made available to the public via the Santa Fe County website. Residents were able to click a link on the County website that directed respondents directly to an independent website where the survey was hosted and could be completed. The County issued press releases alerting residents that the survey was being conducted and directed residents to where the link could be found. Residents were also given the option of completing the survey by mail.

Research & Polling, Inc. was responsible for compiling, aggregating, and analyzing the data. No one from Santa Fe County had access to the individual responses or the raw data. All individual responses have been kept confidential and anonymous.

Surveys were made available to the public for a period of four weeks between September and October of 2010. A total of 163 residents completed at least a portion of the survey or left comments.

STUDY I: LA CIENEGA AREA SURVEY

STUDY I: LA CIENEGA AREA RESIDENTIAL SURVEY Executive Summary

Residents living in the La Cienega area have many ideas as to how 470 acres of recently purchased Santa Fe Canyon Ranch can be utilized. What appears to be most important to the large majority of La Cienega residents who responded to the survey is to keep the rural nature of the area intact. When asked in an unaided, open-ended manner what they like best about living in the area, the rural nature and quiet/solitude are mentioned far more than any other attributes. Furthermore, when asked to rate their level of support for or opposition to various ways the land could be used, open space, walking trails, parks, and conservation purposes (leaving the land the way it is) receive much stronger support than any of the other ideas that were tested.

When asked to rate the need for specific facilities, programs, or services in the La Cienega area, the large majority of survey respondents rated parks and recreation, youth programs, hiking trails, police services, community centers, and senior programs higher than any other needs.

Looking at support levels for specific proposals as to how some of the Santa Fe Canyon Ranch land could be used when developing a master plan, residents are most apt to say they support walking trails (84%), open space (83%), parks (75%), and conservation purposes (72%), and community gardens (69%).

Just under three-fifths (59%) of the residents who responded to the survey also say they would support a community center that would house senior, youth, and other community programs, compared to 22% who are opposed to the idea. It should be noted that many of the residents mention the need for a community center and/or youth and senior programs when residents were asked unaided what is needed in La Cienega.

The majority of respondents also say they would support playing fields (57%) and renewable energy projects (55%), though approximately one-in-four residents are opposed to these ideas.

There is little public support for new housing programs, an indigent cemetery, a resort or spa, artist studios/galleries or a visitor center. Residents are clearly very resistant to any types of projects that might take away from the rural nature of the area. However, when given more explanation of a possible use for the land, 61% say they are supportive of building a parks and recreation center with an event center that could be used to host weddings, parties, or other public events, in addition to botanical and demonstration gardens on the property.

The results of this study show the County faces a major challenge in developing uses for the Santa Fe Canyon Ranch land that can help generate revenue and cover the cost of the purchase without altering the rural nature of the area that residents enjoy. The majority of La Cienega area residents who responded to the survey (in addition to residents countywide) are very resistant to any types of major development of the land. The County will have to work closely with the community to come up with ways to use the land that will meet everyone's needs and expectations.

Favorite Attributes of Living in the La Cienega Area

TOP 4 VERBATIM RESPONSES

Peace and quiet
Rural setting
Open space
Friendly people

Least Favorite Attributes of Living in the La Cienega Area

TOP 5 VERBATIM RESPONSES

Trash/junk
Roads
Air traffic/noise
No natural gas service
Speeding

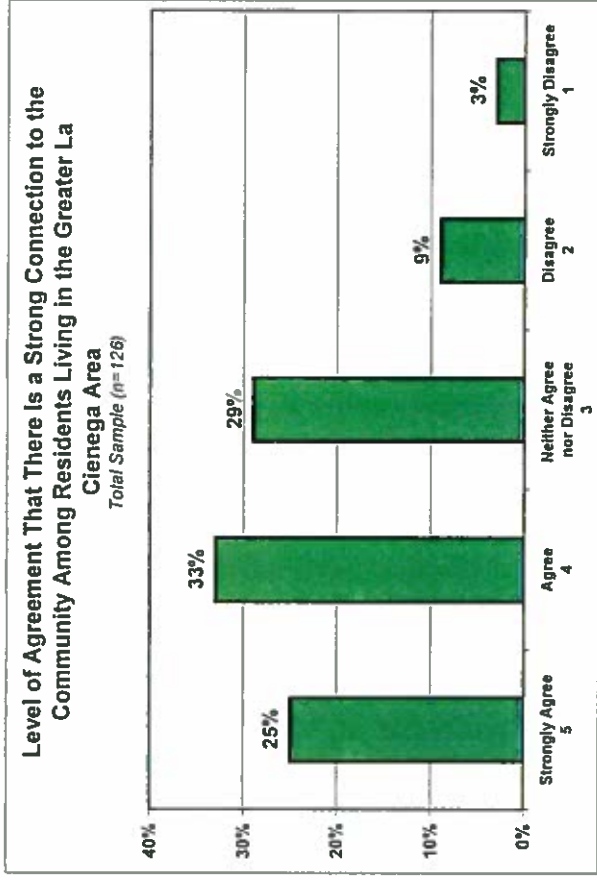
La Cienega residents were asked in an unaided, open-ended manner what they like best and what they like least about living in the La Cienega area. Overall, residents were most apt to mention the peace and quiet, rural setting and/or open space as what they like best about living in the area, followed by the friendly people. A full list of verbatim responses can be found starting on page 22.

When asked what they like least about living in the La Cienega area, the survey respondents mentioned many different attributes. Trash/litter/junk was mentioned quite frequently, as were poor condition of the roads, air traffic/noise, no natural gas service, and speeding. A complete list of verbatim responses can be found starting on page 25.

Programs and Services Needed Most in the La Cienega Area

TOP 7 VERBATIM RESPONSES

- Recreation facilities (parks, etc.)
- Community center
- Walking/running trails
- Road maintenance
- Fire/sheriff protection
- Youth programs
- Grocery store



Residents were asked in an unaided, open-ended manner what types of programs, services, or facilities they feel are most needed in the Greater La Cienega area. Many suggestions were given, the most common being recreational uses (parks, etc.), community center, walking/running/biking trails, public safety (fire/sheriff protection), more youth programs, road maintenance, and a grocery store. A complete list of verbatim responses can be found starting on page 28.

Approximately three-fifths of the La Cienega residents who responded to the survey either *strongly agree* (25%) or *somewhat agree* (33%) there is a strong connection to the community among residents who live in the La Cienega area. Twenty-nine percent of the respondents *neither agree nor disagree*, while 12% either *disagree* or *strongly disagree* there is a strong connection to the community.

Overall Rating for Various Facilities, Services and Programs Either Needed or Not Needed in the Greater La Cienega Area (Summary Table)

RANKED BY HIGHEST "GREATLY NEEDED"

	Greatly Needed 5	4	3	2	Not Needed At All 1	Mean $\bar{x}$
Parks and recreation areas	44%	24%	16%	6%	10%	3.8
Youth programs	42%	23%	20%	7%	9%	3.8
Hiking trails	40%	25%	19%	7%	8%	3.8
More police services	34%	25%	28%	8%	5%	3.7
Community center	30%	29%	22%	9%	10%	3.6
Senior programs	30%	28%	25%	10%	7%	3.6
More fire protection	23%	35%	30%	7%	4%	3.7
Entertainment venues	19%	15%	20%	16%	29%	2.8
BMX (bike) park	17%	13%	18%	12%	40%	2.6
Medical/Dental services	13%	19%	25%	17%	25%	2.8
ATV (all terrain vehicle) park	11%	9%	12%	14%	54%	2.1

[†] The mean score is derived by taking the average score based on the 5-point scale. The Greatly Needed response is assigned a value of 5; the Not Needed At All response is assigned a value of 1. The Don't Know/Won't Say responses are excluded from the calculation of the mean.

La Cienega residents were asked to rate the need for various facilities, programs, and services in La Cienega based on a 5-point scale where 5 is *greatly needed* and 1 is *not needed at all*.

Of the facilities, programs, and services tested, La Cienega residents are most apt to rate parks and recreational areas as being needed in the area with 68% of survey respondents giving a score of 4 or 5 on the 5-point scale. In fact, 44% of the respondents say parks and recreation are *greatly needed*.

Approximately two-thirds (65%) of the resident respondents also say that youth programs are needed in the area and another 65% say hiking trails are needed. Each of the following are perceived to be needed by approximately three-fifths of the survey respondents: more police services (59%), a community center (59%), more fire protection (58%), and senior programs (58%).

The remaining facilities, programs and services are each perceived as being needed by one-third of the survey respondents or less: entertainment venues (34%), medical/dental services (32%), BMX park (30%), and ATV park (20%).

Support or Oppose Various Features That Could Be Included When Developing a Master Plan for the 470-Acre Santa Fe Canyon Ranch (Summary Table)

RANKED BY HIGHEST "STRONGLY SUPPORT"

	Strongly Support 5	4	3	2	Strongly Oppose 1	Mean †
Open space	66%	17%	8%	4%	6%	4.3
Walking trails	63%	21%	6%	3%	7%	4.3
Parks	55%	20%	11%	4%	10%	4.1
Conservation purposes - leave the land the way it is	55%	17%	14%	5%	8%	4.1
Community gardens	41%	28%	15%	8%	8%	3.8
Community center that would house senior, youth and other community programs	39%	20%	18%	8%	14%	3.6
Renewable energy projects	39%	16%	21%	9%	16%	3.5
Playing fields (soccer, baseball, etc.)	34%	23%	19%	7%	17%	3.5
Ranch museum	31%	15%	23%	11%	20%	3.2
Botanical garden	27%	20%	24%	7%	22%	3.2
Demonstration farm/ranch	25%	16%	26%	15%	17%	3.2
Commercial greenhouses	21%	16%	16%	17%	31%	2.8
Veteran's rehabilitation center	18%	11%	27%	20%	24%	2.8
Visitors center	17%	10%	34%	13%	26%	2.8
Neighborhoods with detached single family homes	14%	10%	19%	11%	46%	2.4
Indigent (low income) cemetery	12%	12%	19%	19%	39%	2.4
Artist studios and galleries	11%	15%	23%	16%	35%	2.5
Resort and spa	7%	9%	17%	18%	50%	2.1
Mixed residential housing including higher cost and lower cost housing units	6%	9%	13%	17%	55%	1.9

† The mean score is derived by taking the average score based on the 5-point scale. The Strongly Support response is assigned a value of 5; the Strongly Oppose response is assigned a value of 1. The Don't Know/Won't Say responses are excluded from the calculation of the mean.

La Cienega area residents were given a list of various facilities, programs and services that could be included when developing a Master Plan for Santa Fe Canyon and asked to rate their support for using a portion of the land for each purpose. Ratings are based on a 5-point scale where 5 is *strongly support* and 1 is *strongly oppose*.

Overall, the residents surveyed are most apt to say they support using the Santa Fe Canyon Ranch land for open space with 83% giving a rating a score of 4 or 5 on a 5-point scale. In fact, 66% say they *strongly support* using the land for open space. Similarly, 84% of respondents support using the land for walking trails with 63% who *strongly support* the idea.

Three-quarters of the resident respondents say they support including parks in the master plan, while 72% say they support using the land for conservation purposes (leave it the way it is), and 69% support community gardens.

The majority of residents (59%) surveyed say they support building a community center on the Santa Fe Canyon Ranch land, while 57% say they support adding playing fields (soccer, baseball, etc.), and 55% support renewable energy projects.

Just under half of the respondents say they support botanical gardens (47%) or a ranch museum (46%). Furthermore, 41% say they would support a demonstration farm and ranch, though 32% are opposed to the idea as indicated by a score of 1 or 2. Over one-third (37%) of the survey respondents also say they would support commercial greenhouses though nearly half (48%) are opposed to the idea.

Less than one-third of the residents surveyed say they would support the other possible land use ideas that were given.

Support or Oppose Various Features That Could Be Included When Developing a Master Plan for the 470-Acre Santa Fe Canyon Ranch (Summary Table)

RANKED BY HIGHEST "STRONGLY SUPPORT"

	Strongly Support 5	4	3	2	Strongly Oppose 1	Mean †
One way some of the land could be used is to build a park and recreation center. In addition to park lands for recreation use, an event center could be designed to host weddings, parties and other public events. Botanical and demonstration gardens could also be included in the park.	38%	23%	21%	3%	16%	3.6
Some people have proposed using some of the land to build a retirement community for residents 55 years of age or older. This planned community would feature affordable housing units, clubhouse, and recreational/activities center.	17%	15%	27%	10%	31%	2.8

† The mean score is derived by taking the average score based on the 5-point scale. The Strongly Support response is assigned a value of 5; the Strongly Oppose response is assigned a value of 1. The Don't Know/Won't Say responses are excluded from the calculation of the mean.

In addition to general ideas as to how the Santa Fe Canyon Ranch land could be used, residents were asked to rate their support for two more specific proposals. As shown above, 61% of residents say they are supportive of a park/recreation and event center that would include botanical/demonstration gardens and could be used to host weddings, parties and other public events (38% strongly support). Nineteen percent of the residents say they are opposed to this idea, while 21% have neutral or mixed feelings as indicated by a score of 3 on a 5-point scale.

Residents are almost equally divided on the idea of using some of the land for a retirement community that would feature affordable housing units, clubhouse and recreational/activities center. While 32% indicated they are supportive of the proposal, 41% are opposed (a score of 1 or 2), with the plurality (31%) saying they are strongly opposed.

Other Suggestions for Use of Land

TOP 5 VERBATIM RESPONSES

- Conservation
- Open space
- Walking/hiking trails
- Recreation facilities (parks, etc.)
- Community center

When again asked in an unaided, open-ended manner if they have any other suggestions for using the land, most of the recommendations related to protecting the land or keeping it as open space or including walking/hiking trails. A few residents again expressed their desire for a community or recreation center. A complete list of other suggestions can be found on page 54.

STUDY II: LA CIENEGA SANTA FE COUNTYWIDE SURVEY

STUDY II: SANTA FE COUNTYWIDE SURVEY

Methodology

In addition to conducting a survey among La Cienega area residents, a survey was also made accessible to all Santa Fe County residents. The objective of this second study was to assess what residents countywide believe are the most appropriate uses for the Santa Fe Canyon Ranch land.

Surveys were made available to the public via the Santa Fe County website. Residents were able to click a link on the County website that took respondents directly to an independent website where the survey was hosted and could be completed. The County issued press releases alerting residents that the survey was being conducted and directed residents to where the link could be found. Residents were also given the option of completing the survey by mail.

Research & Polling, Inc. was responsible for compiling, aggregating, and analyzing the data. No one from Santa Fe County had access to the individual responses or the raw data. All individual responses have been kept confidential and anonymous.

Surveys were made available to the public for a period of four weeks between September and October of 2010. A total of 163 residents completed at least a portion of the survey or left comments.

Key Findings

Overall, the large majority of Santa Fe County residents who responded to the public survey do not support any major development on the recently purchased Santa Fe Canyon Ranch land in La Cienega. When asked in an unaided, open-ended manner, residents were most apt to suggest conserving the land, using it as open space and using it for recreation purposes such as parks and walking/hiking trails.

When asked specifically to rate their level of support or opposition to various ways the land could be used, approximately seven-in-ten residents who responded to the survey say they support ideas such using the land for open space, conserving the land as-is, creating parks/recreation areas, and/or building walking trails.

A slight majority of respondents (53%) do say they would support using some of the land for community gardens and approximately half (46%) say they support a botanical garden. However, less than two-fifths support a ranch museum (38%) or demonstration farm/ranch (30%).

The survey respondents showed little support for major developments on the land. Just 15% support using the land for single family homes while only 12% support building mixed residential housing. There is also relatively little support for building a community center (27%) or a visitors center (24%).

It should be noted that many of the survey respondents questioned the purchase of the land and suggested that the County sell it in order to recoup the costs. This is clearly a contentious issue for some residents.

It is important to remember that this survey (Study II) was not conducted among a scientifically selected random sample of County residents. While the survey was made available to the public via the County website, the survey respondents are self-selected and may not represent the attitudes and opinions of residents throughout the County as a whole.

Top-of-Mind Suggestions for Use of Santa Fe Canyon Land

TOP 5 VERBATIM RESPONSES (SANTA FE COUNTY)

Open space
Conservation
Parks/recreation
Walking/hiking trails
Sell it

The survey respondents were informed that Santa Fe County has recently purchased 470 acres of the Santa Fe Canyon Ranch located in La Cienega and asked in an unaided, open-ended manner what would be the most appropriate ways to use the land.

A variety of suggestions were given, the most common of which include keeping it as open space/conservation and creating parks/recreation areas. Many of the respondents suggested that the County sell the land and questioned the purchase, expressing concern about the costs to the County. Although several respondents suggested building housing or perhaps county offices, these comments were far outnumbered by those who do not want to see any major developments.

A full list of verbatim responses can be found starting on page 58.

Support or Oppose Various Features That Could Be Included When Developing a Master Plan for the 470-Acre Santa Fe Canyon Ranch (Summary Table)

SANTA FE COUNTY TOTAL SAMPLE (N=157)
RANKED BY HIGHEST "STRONGLY SUPPORT"

	Strongly Support 5	4	3	2	Strongly Oppose 1	Mean †
Open space	61%	11%	7%	5%	16%	4.0
Conservation purposes - leave the land the way it is	61%	11%	6%	5%	17%	3.9
Walking trails	61%	10%	12%	5%	11%	4.0
Parks	58%	10%	12%	6%	15%	3.9
Community gardens	35%	18%	18%	11%	18%	3.4
Botanical gardens	31%	15%	19%	9%	27%	3.1
Ranch museum	24%	14%	21%	13%	28%	2.9
Renewable energy projects	21%	17%	17%	15%	31%	2.8
Demonstration farm/ranch	21%	9%	24%	14%	23%	2.7
Playing fields (soccer, baseball, etc.)	18%	13%	21%	17%	30%	2.7
Community center that would house senior, youth and other community programs	17%	10%	19%	17%	37%	2.5
Visitors center	17%	7%	24%	15%	38%	2.5
Veteran's rehabilitation center	11%	8%	19%	21%	41%	2.3
Neighborhoods with detached single family homes	11%	4%	6%	11%	67%	1.8
Commercial greenhouses	10%	8%	20%	20%	41%	2.3
Mixed residential housing including higher cost and lower cost housing units	9%	3%	7%	9%	72%	1.7
Indigent (low income) cemetery	6%	6%	18%	20%	49%	2.0
Artist studios and galleries	6%	4%	16%	24%	50%	1.9
Resort and spa	5%	3%	8%	14%	69%	1.6

† The mean score is derived by taking the average score based on the 5-point scale. The Strongly Support response is assigned a value of 5; the Strongly Oppose response is assigned a value of 1. The Don't Know/Won't Say responses are excluded from the calculation of the mean.

County residents were given a list of various facilities, programs and services that could be included when developing a Master Plan for Santa Fe Canyon Ranch and asked to rate their support for using a portion of the land for each purpose. Ratings are based on a 5-point scale where 5 is *strongly support* and 1 is *strongly oppose*.

Overall, the survey respondents are most apt to say they support using the Santa Fe Canyon Ranch land for open space and outdoor recreational purposes. In fact, each of the following uses receives support (as indicated by a score of 4 or 5) from approximately seven-in-ten voters: **conservation purposes (72%), open space (72%), walking trails (71%), and parks (68%).**

The only other use which received support from the majority of survey respondents is **community gardens (53%)**. Nearly half (46%) say they would support a botanical garden, though 36% say they are opposed to this idea as indicated by a score of 1 or 2 on the 5-point scale.

Just under two-fifths (38%) of the survey respondents say they support using some of the land as a ranch museum, while slightly more respondents (41%) say they are opposed to the idea. On a related note, just 30% say they support building a demonstration farm/ranch on the land, though 37% are opposed. Another 38% say they support **renewable energy projects (46% are opposed)**.

Less than one-third of the residents who responded to the survey say they support any of the other ideas for the land that were tested, with the plurality to large majority saying they are opposed. Notably, just 31% say they support building playing fields on the land and just 27% say they are supportive of building a community center.

Very few of the survey respondents say they would support building new single family homes (15%), mixed residential housing (12%), artist studios and galleries (10%), or a resort/spa (8%).

Support or Oppose Various Features That Could Be Included When Developing a Master Plan for the 470-Acre Santa Fe Canyon Ranch (Summary Table)

SANTA FE COUNTY TOTAL SAMPLE (N=155)
RANKED BY HIGHEST "STRONGLY SUPPORT"

	Strongly Support 5	4	3	2	Strongly Oppose 1	Mean †
One way some of the land could be used is to build a park and recreation center. In addition to park lands for recreation use, an event center could be designed to host weddings, parties and other public events. Botanical and demonstration gardens could also be included in the park.	24%	11%	23%	14%	28%	2.9
Some people have proposed using some of the land to build a retirement community for residents 55 years of age or older. This planned community would feature affordable housing units, clubhouse, and recreational/activities center.	8%	7%	17%	19%	48%	2.1
Some people have proposed using parts of the land for film production which could include movie sets and other production activities.	7%	9%	17%	14%	52%	2.0

† The mean score is derived by taking the average score based on the 5-point scale. The Strongly Support response is assigned a value of 5; the Strongly Oppose response is assigned a value of 1. The Don't Know/Won't Say responses are excluded from the calculation of the mean.

Residents were also given three more detailed potential uses for the land and asked to rate their overall support or opposition. As shown above, while 35% say they support using some of the land to build a park and recreation/event center, 42% are opposed to the idea. Just 15% say they support using some of the land for build a retirement community, and just 16% support using parts of the land for film production.

II. SUMMARY OF RESULTS: STUDY I: LA CIENEGA AREA RESIDENTIAL SURVEY

Favorite Attributes of Living in the Greater La Cienega Area

VERBATIM RESPONSES

Question 1: What do you like most about living in the Greater La Cienega area?

Peace and quiet. (15)
Rural area. (14)
Open space. (12)
Country living. (4)

A friendly rural community just minutes from Santa Fe.
Access to open space, dark skies, and the greenery.
Agricultural, sense of community, open spaces.

Agriculture, open space and wildlife. Community members who also value these things.

Availability of good quality ground water and the abundance of wildlife, proximity to Las Golondrinas, and the rustic feel of the area.
Awesome views, water, and quiet area.

Because it is quiet and kids can be running around more freely.

Being in a rural area yet being relatively close to town.
Being in a rural area.

Big land, nice views, and a lot of room for my kids to play.

Community spirit, beautiful landscape, natural environment, rural, minimum development.

Density of homes, access to open lands, and the still active and organized community group.

Freedom from cookie cutter side by side homes in sprawling featureless neighborhoods.

Friendly neighbors, rural life, well water quality (in La Cieneguilla).
Great open location.

I do not have a house on the property, I purchased it to build in the future.
I enjoy the country very much as well as the families I have grown up with here.

I inherited the land.

I like living in the country and we are not far from town.

I like the lack of traffic, natural beauty and minimal neighbors.

I like the mix of people, most of whom share a love of the rural quality, solitude, agricultural and ranching activity that make it a village, rather than a Santa Fe bedroom community.

I like the neighbors who have created an active friendly community. I also love the landscape and history of the area.

I liked the quiet.

It is a nice place to live. It is rural and there is plenty of space for everyone.

It is a peaceful area, the openness of the land, and the sense of community. It is greener than the rest of Santa Fe, tranquil, local farms, agriculture, family, and rural characteristics.

It is peaceful and rural.

It is quiet, beautiful, has abundant opportunities to observe wildlife, a rural lifestyle with low crime and noise of a city.

It still has the country feeling but it is close enough to town.

It's outside of city limits. We have large yards, abundant water, green area, and I am fond of the local residents because we have a sense of community and unity.

It's quiet where we live. We don't have traffic problems.

Lack of regulations and government imposed rules.

Large lot sizes, houses are not close together, mountain views.

Less traffic, less pollution, quiet neighborhood, and residents work together.

Less vandalism in La Cienega. Beautiful green valleys.

Less traffic.

Living in a rural community with a history of agriculture. Also being part of an area that has been inhabited for more than 1000 years.

Living in the country, the open space, and the privacy from the neighbors.
Lots of water.

Natural landscape all within easy access. Quiet and peaceful most of the time.

Nature.

Neighborhoods, quiet, hard working and good people. Enforcement regarding unkempt yards.

Night skies.

No neighbors and no traffic. My private well and irrigation privileges.
No noise.

Open and friendly, small, beautiful, and it is a historical community.

Open land.

Open quality as well as peace and quiet

Open space and low population density. Proximity to public land. Less pollution than Santa Fe.

Open space and natural beauty.

Open space and rural living, less noise, less traffic, knowing your neighbors.

Open space and the quiet.

Open space especially between neighbors.

Open space, no city lights, and the quiet environment.

Favorite Attributes of Living in Greater La Cienega Area (continued)

VERBATIM RESPONSES

Question 1 (continued): What do you like most about living in the Greater La Cienega area?

Open space, quiet, water, and greenery.
Open spaces and easy access to Santa Fe's natural beauty.
Open spaces, beautiful views, and a wetland preserve.
Open spaces. Neighbors are not located too close and it is peaceful.
Own property...plan to eventually build.
Peace and quiet and plenty of space between me and my neighbors.
Peace and quiet and the rural atmosphere close to home.
Peace and tranquility.
Peace, open space, stars in the night sky, quiet, trees, and neighbors that are two and a half acres away!
People are not so close together.
Plenty of open space, protected wetlands, wildlife and habitat for migrating birds.
Privacy and living out in the country.
Privacy and quiet.
Privacy, security, and the open spaces.
Privacy.
Privacy.
Proximity to Santa Fe and Albuquerque but the rural area with good neighbors.
Quiet, no light from a city, minimal pollution, wetlands, historic significance, the petroglyphs, and a private well with excellent water.
Recreational.
Rural area, quiet, close to the city, small population, and cheaper area to live in.
Rural characteristics of the area. Location and good neighbors who are committed to living here. It is definitely a family friendly community.
Rural lifestyle, nature, privacy, and a clear night sky.
Rural, agricultural surroundings.
Rural, low density of population, zero traffic or congestion, even during "rush hour," great views, active community, Studio Tour; easy proximity to Santa Fe, where I work, and to Albuquerque. If I used the Rail Runner, that is nice to be so close too. Nice to have Golondrinas and the Curtin Wetlands Preserve in our area, as well as the new Flea Market. I wish Sunrise Springs were back at full operating capacity, as I thought that was a nice facility to have here & Blue Heron Restaurant.
Semi rural living.
Sense of community, ruralness, beauty, and peacefulness.

Solitude, natural scenery, and very little traffic.
The agriculture aspect and it is a rural area yet very close to Santa Fe.
The airplanes and helicopters.
The area is rural in nature. It is very quiet and there are no subdivisions in the area. The requirements of only building one home per acre which keeps it somewhat rural and spacious.
The beautiful countryside, tall trees and running waters, ponds and wildlife and expansive views of open land are truly the most wonderful asset we have in the greater La Cienega area. The sunsets aren't bad either. The beauty of the area brings the people together time and again to join efforts to protect the wonder of the area, as well as learn how we can support each other as members of this beautiful community.
The beauty and openness of the land. Great water quality. We are able to get involved and protect the rural feel of the community.
The beauty of the landscape and terrain.
The distance from the city -- not too far and not too close.
The fact that this community is still traditional, agricultural and preserves their water for irrigation purposes. The acequias and the people who use them continue to preserve the old traditional lifestyles of our ancestors.
The feeling of being in the country, space, and privacy.
The history of the village and living in a rural setting.
The lack of development, quiet, open skies and scenery.
The laid back and peaceful surroundings where one can be one with nature.
The natural beauty and the fact that this is a largely undeveloped rural area, giving residents a quiet, safe, peaceful and "country" lifestyle. We need to keep the area traffic and pollution free.
The natural surroundings, birds and animals, insects, plants, and smells.
Peace and quiet, fine neighbors who care about the community and the world we live in.
The open space wetland area of Las Lagunitas. This incomparable wetland area is sustained by the springs. Protection of the water table and water rights are essential for preserving this area for the future.
The openness and courtesy in the atmosphere.
The peaceful life of living in an agricultural, rural community. The abundance of wildlife and nature.
The quietness and no street lights as in a city.
The river, cottonwoods, and petroglyphs.

Favorite Attributes of Living in Greater La Cienega Area (continued)

VERBATIM RESPONSES

Question 1 (continued): What do you like most about living in the Greater La Cienega area?

The rural and agrarian nature of the area. The views. The low density of housing in most areas (except the heart of La Cienega itself.) The marshes and ritos and the bosque. The ease of access to the benefits of the city of Santa Fe. The quiet and the night sky. The wonderful variety and abundance of wildlife. Rancho de Las Golondrinas, local artists, farmers. The rural aspect of the area, free of traffic congestions, gated community, and limited noise. The inhabitants are a true mix of people with varied ethnic groups represented. The multi talents of the area include farmers, artisans, and laborers.

The rural environment and open feeling.

The rural feel, lack of congestion, ease of access to downtown Santa Fe and Albuquerque.

The rural way of living, the community traditions and the land and water. The rural, agriculture/farm atmosphere along with what is left of open space and what is left of the quietness that the airplanes overhead have not destroyed (at least the highway is a steady hum that does not jump up and bite you like the low take-off of the daily planes).

The scenery is peaceful.

The space, views, and quiet evenings.

The valley and the atmosphere.

The view from our home.

There is plenty of space.

Thirty years ago this was a beautiful area; quiet and clean.

Tranquility, stars at night, and the neighbors are not too close.

Un-crowded, rural living area. There are lots of animals.

Untouched beauty.

Using my property for farm and agriculture purposes.

Very little noise.

We built our house here 32 years ago for two reasons: the country atmosphere, quiet secluded environment and the limited traffic noise.

We love the quiet and trees as well as the sense of community. Wildlife.

Least Favorite Attributes of Living in the Greater La Cienega Area

VERBATIM RESPONSES

Question 2: What do you like least about living in the Greater La Cienega area?

Nothing (2)
Roads (2)

A few of our neighbors have been robbed even during the day. Some type of security or police response would be great.

About the only thing that bothers me living in La Cienega is the occasional mosquito that comes calling about dusk, if I am outside. It doesn't happen very often.

Air traffic.

Air traffic.

Airport noise, the dust, dogs running around the neighborhood, kids on ATVs, and people dumping trash everywhere.

Airport, waste treatment facility located at main access point to community. All the low life people that have moved into the community. In their haste to change this to their liberal ideas they screw up any traditional values that make up this area.

ATV traffic and too many loose dogs.

ATVs, drugs, graffiti, garbage on the side of the road, and mean dogs.

Bad roads.

Better roads.

Cavalier attitude of the neighborhood regarding the graffiti problem and people that speed through the area.

Commute to job in downtown Santa Fe.

Convenience store, post office, and a gas station.

County doesn't enforce codes. People's yards are dirty with old vehicles that do not run, appliances and trash. People are living in camper trailers with no utilities. People keep adding mobile homes without permits and the county does nothing.

Crime.

Daily airplane noise and constantly having to fight with developers,

opportunists and other greedy "get rich quick" schemers exploiting the fact that it is rural now, but if they are allowed to develop quickly & densely, then we are no longer the traditional rural La Cienega that everyone seems to like.

Dogs running around, density of the land now because of housing, trash on the roadside and ATVs allowed to race on roads.

Driving to town.

Everything is too far.

Flyovers by the National Guard, helicopters and small planes heading over to the airport are too loud.

Garbage pickup is way too expensive.

Having propane. I would like natural gas.

High commercial.

Highway, helicopters and airplane noise.

Homes being put up without permits. Structures being built in riverbeds; whether legal or illegal, they do not look proper.

Housing density.

I have the dogs that run loose throughout the area.

Impoverishment that many residents have and its impact on the greater community (crime, litter, unkempt homes.)

Increased development, need to fight with Santa Fe for water which should be coming downstream.

Increased growth, increased traffic with no new loops or bypasses to avoid the historic neighborhoods. Speeding is common on my road. The county has declined to act on a neighborhood petition for speed humps.

Increased traffic.

Insufficient commercial development such as a grocery store, pharmacy, and a cafe.

Interstate noise and too much light from the National Guard complex.

Isolation and long drives to stores and facilities.

It has gotten overpopulated. There are too many burglaries and speeding.

There are also too many illegal aliens that do not respect the village.

It is becoming overcrowded. People drive fast and are inconsiderate with little regard to playing children; cock fighting, drugs, and at times not enough law enforcement.

It is isolated from all the grocery stores, recreation parks, and public swimming pools. I have small children who would benefit from new programs or services in the area.

It is now noisy, congested with traffic, four wheelers, and dogs. It's worse than living in the city. We cannot leave because we have such foundation here.

It's a beautiful place to live.

Junk yards, congested areas, and homes being built without permits.

Lack of building codes.

Least Favorite Attributes of Living in the Greater La Cienega Area (continued)

VERBATIM RESPONSES

Question 2 (continued): What do you like least about living in the Greater La Cienega area?

Lack of code enforcement, lack of walking and biking trails. The family lot split provision has been invoked by so many families believing they are entitled to it so they sell parcels of land for money. The city of Santa Fe airport does not enforce its low flying restrictions. There is no possible transportation to Santa Fe. Off road vehicles are frequently in areas they should not be in.

Lack of control of preserving agricultural and open space of the La Cienega village that is hundreds of years old.

Lack of public transportation.

Lack of services such as snow removal and garbage pickup.

Lack of walking trails, parks, etc.

Litter on the roads, junk on neighbors' property, old useless cars and trailers.

Medical/dental facility and a small grocery store are needed.

Mobile home parks, ATVs, illegal immigrant encampments, non-law abiding citizens, residents who do not respect their neighbors, the natural environment and community.

Mobile homes and manufactured homes.

More protection and patrols against vandalism.

Neighbors and more traffic on the roads.

Neighbors keep yards with junk in them. No control of covenants. Rough dirt roads.

Neighbors' yards are ridiculously dirty.

No cable service.

No complaints.

No high speed DSL service or natural gas access.

No natural gas connections. Propane is expensive. Not enough patrolling of the area, lots of break-ins.

No natural gas in La Cienega.

No restrictions for trash and neighbors that dump and have no shame about doing so.

No store for food items.

No walking paths.

Noise and speeding traffic. No police presence. Building codes not enforced.

No noise ordinance.

Noise from aircraft landings and take offs from the Santa Fe airport.

Noise from the military flying vehicles. The private and commercial airport traffic is tolerable but there are times when the military helicopters circle

over and over, and the jets fly nearby loud, even loud when a distance away.

Noisy and inconsiderate neighbors who play music way too loud and do not control their barking dogs.

Nor parks, recreational areas for the community, no areas for children to play safely, community center needs to be rejuvenated, and neighbors with chained animals.

Not having a security person on site.

Not having County access for our road. Even though we pay taxes for all of this, it would be hard for an emergency if one were to happen.

Number of robberies.

Poor county services; fire protection and policing are not adequate.

Property crimes and burglaries.

Road conditions in the winter.

Roads not maintained like the East side.

Roads that are not maintained and traffic enforcement that is a joke.

Enforcement, in general, but particularly zoning, is a joke. Dogs run wild and many people have chosen to build permanent structures in the arroyo.

This is the same arroyo that I have seen run 6 ft deep and cross over the top of the road behind the racetrack.

Services such as the Internet, cable and grocery stores.

Some of the agriculture land has been turned into trailer parks.

Somebody disturbing my peace and tranquility.

Speeding cars and air traffic.

Speeding traffic and unkempt properties full of junk.

Subdivisions wishing to come in and take water without the right to water.

That certain property owners continue to infill every space with trailers. That the maintenance of roads is not a priority of the County. That the county has not prioritized the amount of septic tanks in this village(s). That our association, mayor and newcomers continue to rubber stamp development in this area, changing the village concept.

That farm animals are permitted with little to no observation or control of unsanitary conditions.

The airport and airplane noise.

The airport and the trash on the side of the road

Least Favorite Attributes of Living in the Greater La Cienega Area (continued)

VERBATIM RESPONSES

Question 2 (continued): What do you like least about living in the Greater La Cienega area?

The airport noise is loud and there isn't pavement on my street.
The airport.

The allowance of smaller lot sizes and lots that are being used for mobile homes as well as illegal building.

The arrogance of the City of Santa Fe concerning the Santa Fe airport.
The cars that speed down the county road and the use of the area from people in Santa Fe wanting to party, looking for edge of town with no regard for the community. Isolation - would love to have bike path connecting to town.

The cost of gas to get into town.

The county's attention to the roads.

The crime level; lots of break-ins.

The dirt roads.

The garbage loaded on truck in resident yards, trash on lots, barns and horse stalls being built inside arroyos without permits. Dilapidated mobile homes that are in yards. All this makes the place look run down and dirty.

The lack of police patrolling the area. The lack of state and county enforcing the building codes. County officials not trying to work with the city to eventually move the airport from the area.

The litter, vehicles (large and small) speeding through neighborhoods, drunk drivers, the pressure of the sprawling city pushing on the area, neighbors who "trash" their properties with junk and the county not enforcing its junk laws. Off-road vehicles using neighborhoods as racetracks, or riding in undeveloped areas and creating nuisance noise and dust, lack of enforcement of the Santa Fe County night sky laws, dogs running and/or barking incessantly all night.

The mobile homes springing up in places that were once pastures and gardens and the immigrants that are coming to the area.

The need to drive into town for services and supplies.

The number of trailers that are near my house.

The outsiders moving in and not caring about the land. They dump their trash on the roads and drive recklessly.

The packs of wild dogs running loose and the lack of any responsibility for private property maintenance. Too many ATVs.

The people that think it is ok to let their animals run loose and the people that run motorcycles and ATVs too fast.

The residents that think they own all of the area including water rights.

The roads.

The roads.

The sound of the airport and I-25.

The threat of unplanned development which negatively impacts the water supply and lowers the quality of life here.

The trash and junk alongside the road.

The trash scattered on roadsides and piled up in some people's yards.
Roaming dogs.

The trash, abandoned vehicles or disabled vehicles on properties. Single wide motor homes and people with no building permits.

The unpaved roads and no trash pick up take some getting used to.

The water treatment plant when it smells. The airport when there is a lot of air traffic, people dividing up their properties and making it more dense of an area than what it was intended to be.

There are no parks.

Too many homes.

Too many mobile homes; no restrictions for them, development, and the toxic smell from the treatment plant.

Too many people.

Too much growth.

Traffic and narrow roads.

Trailers and chain link fencing.

Trailers. Some people get special deals.

Trash and garbage lining the roads and streets! Trash is a HUGE problem in La Cienega, especially Bud Light cans and other liquor containers! And everything else from tires and fast food wrappers to just plain trash. I think many of our residents are just inconsiderate slobbs when it comes to improper disposal of trash out their car windows. Wandering, loose dogs. People need to take responsibility for their animals, and keep them on their property. I doubt if they are even spayed or neutered.

Trash and littering in open spaces. Noise pollution within the neighborhood.

Trash from the transfer station traffic, no trails to walk, ride or run safely. Too many drivers disobeying the speed limits.

Truculent neighbors at times.

Twenty minutes to town but that is the least of my concerns.

Least Favorite Attributes of Living in the Greater La Cienega Area (continued)

VERBATIM RESPONSES

Question 2 (continued): What do you like least about living in the Greater La Cienega area?

Uncontrolled ramshackle ruins, run down mobile homes or motor homes, and sometimes I feel I moved into a south of the border decrepit unregulated neighborhood.

Unpaved private roads.

Unpaved road which was partly paved when I purchased my property. Lack of ordinances permitting junk, unusable vehicles, residents with no plumbing, little to no electricity for some homes.

Unpaved roads, lack of county maintenance on roads, lack of snow removal, and the noise made by air traffic.

Unplanned development.

Unrestricted family lot splits, speeding on paved roads, kids on ATVs, fences

crowding the roads and no pull offs.

Violations by my neighbors of county code. There are many junk cars. Water concern if too much development.

Water issues and the feeling that development is imminent.

We like living in La Cienega.

We were disappointed with all of the construction. With all of the lights, the secluded feeling we were looking for out here is gone.

Where I live we do not have natural gas. Propane is very expensive.

Windy and dry, no trees, some weird neighbors with lots of junk in their yards.

Programs and Services Needed Most in the Greater La Cienega Area

VERBATIM RESPONSES

Question 3: What types of programs, services and facilities do you feel are most needed in the Greater La Cienega area?

Recreation facilities. (8)

Nothing/none. (5)

Grocery stores. (3)

A community center, basketball courts, and a pool for the kids.

A facility for youth and children. Senior center.

A farmers market should be considered to be a part of the recreational area.

A few more commercial services like a small grocery store, cafe, nursery, and police security.

A library or local grocery store.

A recreation center with a swimming pool.

A store and medical facility.

A supermarket and parks for the kids, a school would be ideal for parents like me.

Agricultural programs such as 'how to prune,' 'how to build hoop house' and facilities such as greenhouse, professional kitchen, would expand agricultural production already taking place and strengthen community.

An after school program where kids can sign up for different activities, a park with a running track, and public walking trails.

An expanded community center area with recreation options for youth and seniors.

Animal control that could try and cut down on the number of loose dogs in the area.

Assistance with trash removal.

Attention to preserving the Santa Fe river systems and all watersheds.

Availability of walking trails.

Better community center with more services, improve the current one, and use the 470 acres for preservation of rural and natural areas.

Better coverage by the Sheriff's department.

Better enforcement of litter laws; more trash pickup, more animal control presence of stray dogs.

Better police and fire protection. Too many thefts.

Better road maintenance.

Better roads.

Big park where children can play basketball, baseball, football, fly kites and parents can picnic. Also walking trails away from the main road where it is very dangerous and there are many dogs.

Community activities.

Community center needs upgrading to provide better facilities for community groups. Better access to high speed Internet and better mobile phone coverage, better maintenance of unpaved county roads (not necessarily paving them, though.) Better sheriff coverage of the area. Programs and grants and other supports to encourage and maintain agricultural activities, to support artists and other persons working from home.

Community center with playgrounds and ball fields. Public transportation to Santa Fe. More hiking and biking trails.

Community center with recreational activities and community events.

Community center, and trails for hiking, biking and equestrians.

Community center, walking trails, pool, and gym.

Community garden area, ranching areas, BMX terrain (no ATVs), and a horse cross training course.

Community youth facilities for children that live out there and have no transportation into town.

Conservation and preservation.

Convenience store, community activities and a neighborhood watch association.

County road service to all property lines when the road has been used by multiple residences for "x" amount of years instead of a hit or miss property owner's personal expense.

DSL for Internet.

Easier access to the Community Center.

Elder and youth attention: community activities, support.

Enforce clean ups for yards with useless old cars in them.

Enforce development rules.

Financial assistance for energy programs.

Fire department or recreational activity center for the youth.

Fire department with EMT services.

Fire department, ICE general store with local produce and goods, post office, and agriculture supplies.

Fire protection including proactive reduction of roadside vegetation to prevent the spread of fire into the Las Lagunitas open space areas. Police protection. Local market with fresh produce.

Fire, ambulance, and police accessibility.

Programs and Services Needed Most in the Greater La Cienega Area (continued)

VERBATIM RESPONSES

Question 3 (continued): What types of programs, services and facilities do you feel are most needed in the Greater La Cienega area?

From what I've heard when someone from the Sheriff's Department speaks to us, there seems to be a shortage of members of the dept so that not enough are on patrol or able to respond to residents more quickly. A better volunteer fire/emergency/urgent care facility would be helpful. Senior & youth center(s) are needed. Appropriate use of the newly acquired County ranch property would be a 4H/agriculture/educational center which could also bring income by developing the ranch as a conference center.

Garbage collection would help tremendously. A community supported good co-op would be great as well. A 24 hour emergency health service would be great.

Gas station and convenience store.

Gas station, emergency medical clinic and community activities for children like swimming and gymnastics.

Get rid of the problems, strangers, traffic, trash, and dogs.

Grocery store (plans for Saturday farmers market are addressing this!), a park with kid equipment.

High speed broadband Internet and community programs, fitness center, solar wind power affordable for the community, and programs to support the aged and children in the La Cienega area.

Hiking trails.

I like it now. Add some youth programs.

I like the lack of stuff.

I would like to see the canyon ranch left as open space in the La Cienega area.

I would love to have a sidewalk or walking trails to exercise. It is dangerous to walk along the roads out here with my children and dogs. In addition, include exercise facilities/equipment to the community center.

Increase police protection and patrols of the area. Trash is constantly being dumped all around this area.

Internet, park, walking and biking areas, soccer fields, and a community hall with more parking.

Kid and senior services, including a center where they could go.

Transportation services, particularly for seniors. Better road maintenance. Part-time local medical services.

Law enforcement, entertainment for youth, walking trails, fire station, bigger community center.

Less development.

Local farmer market or grocers.

Locally owned grocery store.

Minimum housing standards, better roads, and stronger police presence.

More fire department personnel and equipment, medical/dental service, a small community grocery store - NOT a convenience store.

More foot/bike paths to connect La Cienega to Agua Fria village/town.

More law enforcement presence. Better control of farm animals due to health concerns. A park or community center.

More law protection and better road maintenance.

More programs for the elderly and services for the dirt roads in the winter.

More walking trails. Someone just fenced off their land and now the trail the entire community used is blocked.

Motorcycle dirt trails, farmers market, litter pick up and enforcement of dumping laws.

Natural gas.

Need to clean up the bad areas. We could use an active senior center, walking, and biking paths.

Opportunities for children and youth, more trash pickup along the roads, maybe a local store or restaurant.

Outreach programs.

Park and recreation center.

Parks and recreation as well as a youth center.

Parks and recreation center. Hiking trails.

Parks and trails.

Parks, outdoor recreation or fishing pond, police.

Passive solar commercial greenhouses that use Aquaponic Technology to grow fish and plants in a symbiotic relationship are needed to provide more food locally, to reduce transportation costs and pollution. The greenhouses would also use passive solar thermal and geothermal heating, and mini

Biogas Turbine Generators would provide electricity as well as supplemental heating and cooling to the greenhouses, and to the houses and other buildings in the neighborhood near the greenhouses. Pave the roads.

Police and community park.

Police and fire protection.

Programs and Services Needed Most in the Greater La Cienega Area (continued)

VERBATIM RESPONSES

Question 3 (continued): What types of programs, services and facilities do you feel are most needed in the Greater La Cienega area?

Programs for the kids. We have a community center that could be used for them.

Programs for the youth, day care and after-school summer programs. Conservation and education to show us how people of the area have lived in the past so we can be responsible with the land.

Programs to encourage our low income-lower middle income U.S. citizen youth in the Greater La Cienega area to develop their skills to become future productive adult citizens who contribute to the economy of S.F. County. Too many of our youth who fall into this category fall prey to meth and other drugs brought into our state from the south. The few of this particular group who do get some resources to get higher education usually do not come back, because they feel they can't afford to live here.

Programs to keep the land clean. Trails and bicycle lanes.

Public recreation but NO ATV park!

Public transportation buses, senior center, nursing care, and a police sub-station.

Public transportation.

Renewable energy cooperative.

Resources that build a sense of community and protect the land and environment from exploitation by outside corporate interests.

Restoration of agricultural traditions.

Road and bicycle lane improvements.

Road maintenance is sometimes lacking a bit, and it takes a long time to finish projects it seems. But feel no need for anything.

Road maintenance, water management, youth programs.

Schools.

Security and a community center.

Senior center, dog park, hiking trails (the arroyo would be perfect for hiking were it not for recent construction in its bottom).

Senior center, kids, youth activities, wellness center, educational center.

Senior center.

Senior community center, walking trails, parks, and activities for kids.

Senior transportation tied into Santa Fe city transport and bus services.

Services for our senior citizens, wastewater facilities, updated and state of the art community center like all the state of the art centers in Northern Santa Fe County. Association meetings which do NOT discriminate because of your stand on issues. Monthly meetings (town hall) with our

Commissioner and not just when it is time for elections. Bus transit for senior citizens and programs to educate children about the traditions of the village.

SFC Transfer station needs to expand to accept green waste.

Signs that say, "Please do not litter".

Small grocery store only. No commercial areas.

Small library/Internet access/gathering place at the community center for young and old. I'd like to see community center function as more than place to hold meetings.

Some sort of community activities. Park or trails for walking.

Task force to clean up greater La Cienega. Fines for dirty and trashed yards. Walking and bike trails would be much safer. If La Cienega was cleaner we would have more visitors.

There isn't even a playground. We need arroyos to be cleaned out and

restored. Need a program to remove Russian olives that are threatening water levels. We need a small grocery store.

Total access to water, sewer, and electricity.

Trash services. Some ordinance that doesn't allow excess accumulation in people's yards. Dog control.

Upgrades to the community center. Better upkeep of roads.

Van to the train.

Walking and biking paths along Los Pinos.

Walking trails.

Water system.

We already have a community center that nobody uses. There really is no need for facilities or services. The area is already highly populated with no aquifer to support further growth. None!

We do not need a new community center. We already have one. Possibly opening a small growers market would be nice.

We need walking, jogging, and biking trails. It's not safe to walk on the road that leads to the mesa with its uneven terrain.

We should have a public swimming pool. We need basketball courts and some kind of boys and girls club for the kids.

Wetlands restoration. Santa Fe river rehabilitation. Improve roads to handle the traffic.

Wider setbacks along roads to allow for riding and hiking. Make it possible for cars to pull off the road.

Programs and Services Needed Most in the Greater La Cienega Area (continued)

VERBATIM RESPONSES

Question 3 (continued): What types of programs, services and facilities do you feel are most needed in the Greater La Cienega area?

Wildlife and road construction.

Youth and senior Programs, an updated community center, commercial kitchen and greenhouses, a village market and cafe.

Youth and senior programs, transportation, community center, and traffic

control.

Youth programs to keep teens busy and healthy.

Youth programs, swimming pool, recreation center, fire protection, and animal control services.

Level of Agreement That There Is a Strong Connection to the Community AMONG RESIDENTS LIVING IN THE GREATER LA CIENEGA AREA

Question 4: How strongly do you agree or disagree that there is a strong connection to the community among residents who live in Greater La Cienega Area?

	Length of Residency in the Greater La Cienega Area			
	Total Responses (n=126)	5 Years or Less	6-10 Years	11-20 Years or Longer
Strongly agree	25%	23%	12%	27%
Agree	33%	31%	48%	38%
Neither agree nor disagree	29%	38%	36%	22%
Disagree	9%	8%	-	8%
Strongly disagree	3%	-	3%	5%

Overall Rating for Various Facilities, Services and Programs Either Needed or Not Needed in the Greater La Cienega Area: More Fire Protection

Question 5: For the following possible facilities, services, and programs please rate how much it is either needed or not needed in the Greater La Cienega Area. Please rate each one using a 5-point scale where 5 is greatly needed and 1 is not needed at all: **More fire protection**

	Length of Residency in the Greater La Cienega Area			
	Total Responses (n=158)	5 Years or Less	6-10 Years	11-20 Years or Longer
5 - Greatly needed	23%	33%	15%	36%
4	35%	27%	45%	23%
3	30%	27%	28%	32%
2	7%	7%	10%	6%
1 - Not needed at all	4%	7%	3%	2%
Mean †	3.7	3.7	3.6	3.9
				3.6

† The mean score is derived by taking the average score based on the 5-point scale. The Greatly Needed response is assigned a value of 5; the Not Needed At All response is assigned a value of 1. The Don't Know/Won't Say responses are excluded from the calculation of the mean.

Overall Rating for Various Facilities, Services and Programs Either Needed or Not Needed in the Greater La Cienega Area: More Police Services

Question 6: For the following possible facilities, services, and programs please rate how much it is either needed or not needed in the Greater La Cienega Area. Please rate each one using a 5-point scale where 5 is greatly needed and 1 is not needed at all: More police services

	Total Responses (n=158)	Length of Residency in the Greater La Cienega Area			
		5 Years or Less	6-10 Years	11-20 Years	21 Years or Longer
5 - Greatly needed					
4	34%	47%	30%	37%	36%
3	25%	7%	22%	24%	32%
2	28%	33%	28%	33%	20%
1 - Not needed at all	8%	7%	15%	4%	6%
Mean $\bar{x}$	3.7	3.8	3.6	3.9	3.9

Overall Rating for Various Facilities, Services and Programs Either Needed or Not Needed in the Greater La Cienega Area: Hiking Trails

Question 7: For the following possible facilities, services, and programs please rate how much it is either needed or not needed in the Greater La Cienega Area. Please rate each one using a 5-point scale where 5 is greatly needed and 1 is not needed at all: Hiking trails

	Total Responses (n=158)	Length of Residency in the Greater La Cienega Area			
		5 Years or Less	6-10 Years	11-20 Years	21 Years or Longer
5 - Greatly needed					
4	40%	43%	38%	36%	48%
3	25%	21%	38%	23%	17%
2	19%	21%	17%	23%	17%
1 - Not needed at all	7%	14%	-	9%	8%
Mean $\bar{x}$	3.8	3.9	4.0	3.7	3.8

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Overall Rating for Various Facilities, Services and Programs Either Needed or Not Needed in the Greater La Cienega Area: Parks and Recreation Areas

Question 8: For the following possible facilities, services, and programs please rate how much it is either needed or not needed in the Greater La Cienega Area. Please rate each one using a 5-point scale where 5 is greatly needed and 1 is not needed at all: Parks and recreation areas

	Length of Residency in the Greater La Cienega Area				
	Total Responses (n=158)	5 Years or Less	6-10 Years	11-20 Years	21 Years or Longer
5 - Greatly needed					
4	44%	40%	38%	49%	47%
3	24%	20%	35%	21%	18%
2	16%	20%	20%	15%	12%
1 - Not needed at all	6%	13%	-	4%	10%
	10%	7%	8%	11%	12%
Mean †	3.8	3.7	4.0	3.9	3.8

Overall Rating for Various Facilities, Services and Programs Either Needed or Not Needed in the Greater La Cienega Area: Youth Programs

Question 9: For the following possible facilities, services, and programs please rate how much it is either needed or not needed in the Greater La Cienega Area. Please rate each one using a 5-point scale where 5 is greatly needed and 1 is not needed at all: Youth programs

	Length of Residency in the Greater La Cienega Area				
	Total Responses (n=158)	5 Years or Less	6-10 Years	11-20 Years	21 Years or Longer
5 - Greatly needed					
4	42%	40%	43%	43%	45%
3	23%	13%	32%	19%	20%
2	20%	40%	15%	19%	16%
1 - Not needed at all	7%	-	3%	9%	10%
	9%	7%	8%	11%	8%
Mean †	3.8	3.8	4.0	3.7	3.8

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Overall Rating for Various Facilities, Services and Programs Either Needed or Not Needed in the Greater La Cienega Area: Senior Programs

Question 10: For the following possible facilities, services, and programs please rate how much it is either needed or not needed in the Greater La Cienega Area. Please rate each one using a 5-point scale where 5 is greatly needed and 1 is not needed at all: Senior programs

	Total Responses (n=158)	Length of Residency in the Greater La Cienega Area			
		5 Years or Less	6-10 Years	11-20 Years	21 Years or Longer
5 - Greatly needed	30%	27%	28%	28%	39%
4	28%	13%	35%	30%	22%
3	25%	40%	25%	24%	20%
2	10%	13%	8%	9%	12%
1 - Not needed at all	7%	7%	5%	9%	6%
Mean [†]	3.6	3.4	3.7	3.6	3.8

Overall Rating for Various Facilities, Services and Programs Either Needed or Not Needed in the Greater La Cienega Area: Community Center

Question 11: For the following possible facilities, services, and programs please rate how much it is either needed or not needed in the Greater La Cienega Area. Please rate each one using a 5-point scale where 5 is greatly needed and 1 is not needed at all: Community center

	Total Responses (n=158)	Length of Residency in the Greater La Cienega Area			
		5 Years or Less	6-10 Years	11-20 Years	21 Years or Longer
5 - Greatly needed	30%	33%	25%	28%	39%
4	29%	27%	25%	33%	27%
3	22%	20%	28%	24%	16%
2	9%	13%	8%	7%	10%
1 - Not needed at all	10%	7%	15%	9%	8%
Mean [†]	3.6	3.7	3.4	3.7	3.8

[†] The mean score is derived by taking the average score based on the 5-point scale. The Greatly Needed response is assigned a value of 5; the Not Needed At All response is assigned a value of 1. The Don't Know/Won't Say responses are excluded from the calculation of the mean.

Overall Rating for Various Facilities, Services and Programs Either Needed or Not Needed in the Greater La Cienega Area: Entertainment Venues

Question 12: For the following possible facilities, services, and programs please rate how much it is either needed or not needed in the Greater La Cienega Area. Please rate each one using a 5-point scale where 5 is greatly needed and 1 is not needed at all: Entertainment venues

	Total Responses (n=158)	Length of Residency in the Greater La Cienega Area			
		5 Years or Less	6-10 Years	11-20 Years	21 Years or Longer
5 - Greatly needed					
4	19%	21%	22%	20%	18%
3	15%	21%	10%	15%	16%
2	20%	21%	17%	22%	20%
1 - Not needed at all	16%	-	15%	15%	20%
	29%	36%	35%	28%	24%
Mean †	2.8	2.9	2.7	2.8	2.8

Overall Rating for Various Facilities, Services and Programs Either Needed or Not Needed in the Greater La Cienega Area: Medical/Dental Services

Question 13: For the following possible facilities, services, and programs please rate how much it is either needed or not needed in the Greater La Cienega Area. Please rate each one using a 5-point scale where 5 is greatly needed and 1 is not needed at all: Medical/dental service

	Total Responses (n=158)	Length of Residency in the Greater La Cienega Area			
		5 Years or Less	6-10 Years	11-20 Years	21 Years or Longer
5 - Greatly needed					
4	13%	13%	10%	22%	8%
3	19%	7%	25%	17%	22%
2	25%	40%	22%	24%	27%
1 - Not needed at all	17%	27%	25%	9%	10%
	25%	13%	17%	28%	33%
Mean †	2.8	2.8	2.9	3.0	2.6

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Overall Rating for Various Facilities, Services and Programs Either Needed or Not Needed in the Greater La Cienega Area: ATV (All Terrain Vehicle) Park

Question 14: For the following possible facilities, services, and programs please rate how much it is either needed or not needed in the Greater La Cienega Area. Please rate each one using a 5-point scale where 5 is greatly needed and 1 is not needed at all: ATV (all terrain vehicle) park

	Length of Residency in the Greater La Cienega Area			
	Total Responses (n=150)	5 Years or Less	6-10 Years	11-20 Years or Longer
5 - Greatly needed	11%	13%	5%	17%
4	9%	13%	8%	7%
3	12%	20%	10%	13%
2	14%	13%	15%	15%
1 - Not needed at all	54%	40%	63%	48%
Mean $\bar{x}$	2.1	2.5	1.8	2.3
				2.2

Overall Rating for Various Facilities, Services and Programs Either Needed or Not Needed in the Greater La Cienega Area: BMX (Bike) Park

Question 15: For the following possible facilities, services, and programs please rate how much it is either needed or not needed in the Greater La Cienega Area. Please rate each one using a 5-point scale where 5 is greatly needed and 1 is not needed at all: BMX (bike) park

	Length of Residency in the Greater La Cienega Area			
	Total Responses (n=150)	5 Years or Less	6-10 Years	11-20 Years or Longer
5 - Greatly needed	17%	27%	15%	21%
4	13%	20%	15%	10%
3	18%	27%	20%	17%
2	12%	7%	15%	13%
1 - Not needed at all	40%	20%	35%	40%
Mean $\bar{x}$	2.6	3.3	2.6	2.6
				2.4

$\bar{x}$ The mean score is derived by taking the average score based on the 5-point scale. The Greatly Needed response is assigned a value of 5; the Not Needed At All response is assigned a value of 1. The Don't Know/Won't Say responses are excluded from the calculation of the mean.

Most Appropriate Ways to Use the 470 Acres of the Santa Fe Canyon Ranch

Question 16: The county of Santa Fe recently purchased 470 acres of the Santa Fe Canyon Ranch located south of La Cienega (Please see map for reference). There are many ways in which the 470 acres of Santa Fe Canyon Ranch can be utilized. What do you feel are the most appropriate ways to use this land?

A community center with a large kitchen for both youth and senior centers separated so they each have their own space. It should have classrooms, a gym and lots of outdoor recreation space.
A community swimming pool would be great.
A convenience store, recreation for the children and elderly medical services.
A fire station that would be large enough to service the entire west side of the city.

A park.
Affordable housing development.

Affordable housing? No such thing. Sweat-equity building...yes. Offer land to people who are willing to meet the criteria of building affordable housing. If not, we are in dire need of vocational education. A school which offers vocational training in Northern New Mexico (for high school students) and other facilities that give non-traditional students the opportunity to have a facility which will help them succeed without a college education. (Fed. funded).

All things listed above would benefit greatly.

Animal refuge.

Art shows.

As outdoor recreation for the community, with a community center and youth program.

Because we need to move renewable energy forward, a wind farm at the south end would be an asset.

Biking and hiking paths. Large ranches.

Build a senior community and housing for seniors over 65 years.

Camino Real museum?

Cannot say at this time.

Community center with swimming pool.

Community center, fitness center and a park or recreational center for those of all ages.

Community center, parks, walking trails, and recreation.

Community events.

Community parks.

Conservation and hiking trails. Preserve the wild and natural beauty. Leave it open.

Conservation and preservation of the land, mixed with community farming and gardening, lots of walking trails.

Conservation; wildlife refuge for native plants, animals, and birds.

Develop alternative energy source.

Develop as an agricultural & educational center for youth programs such as 4H, conference center for small groups, create a certified professional kitchen which could also serve the residents of the area to prepare edibles that could be sold at a Valley general store. The Valley Ranch store & restaurant could sell local produce, meats, food products, local honey, local crafts, traditional crafts & goods and would draw travelers in off I-25 as it could enrich with local history & geography.

Develop for non-motorized recreation.

Develop hiking, biking, and walking trails. Picnic areas. Keep it rural and do not put houses on the property.

Do not develop the land.

Educational center for youth, adults, and seniors....hands-on experiences: farming, livestock, animals, blacksmithing, carpentry, canning/processing foods grown on ranch. Also a place for students to go for tutoring and after school/summer activities.

GAO conducted a study and determined that area to be a community land grant.

Hiking and biking trails. No ATV trails; people have no respect and they will tear the landscape up.

Hiking trails and/or bike paths on the north end would be good.

Hiking trails, community center, senior center, picnic areas. ATV and BMX parks would be better located in more urban areas. Preserve the tranquility and serenity of La Cienega.

Hiking trails, parks and recreation, ATV park, and BMX trails.

Hiking trails, parks, and rest areas. New community center with programs for the entire family, elementary and high school combination, grocery store and or a farmer market.

Hiking trails, public access to the outdoors, and open space.

Hiking trails.

Hiking.

Historic museum, visitor center, community recreation area. Use by community for special events.

Housing projects.

Most Appropriate Ways to Use the 470 Acres of the Santa Fe Canyon Ranch (continued)

Question 16 (continued) The county of Santa Fe recently purchased 470 acres of the Santa Fe Canyon Ranch located south of La Cienega (Please see map for reference). There are many ways in which the 470 acres of Santa Fe Canyon Ranch can be utilized. What do you feel are the most appropriate ways to use this land?

I do not have a specific way in which to utilize it, but keep my comments about our low to lower middle income youth on question 3 in mind when coming up with the solution along with your original intent of preserving as much of the ranch as possible. Is there room for co-ops for these youth to learn forestry, agriculture, even business without disturbing too much of the integrity of the property? They are our future and I think the future of this property will be bleak if we do not have them.

I do not know this land thoroughly enough to decide this. I would like to see green space and habitat preservation a priority with hiking opportunities, reaching down to the Santa Fe River.

I don't think the county should have ever bought this land. It is a big financial burden to them and I do not see how and in what ways it will improve the community.

I think it should be used solely as a hiking trail/equestrian trail.

I'd like to see it open to the public for hiking (trails needed) and have the land function as small sustainable farm/ranch. Ranch house could be rented out for functions to offset cost of operations.

It should be divided into specific area for housing. Some commercial, recreational, and conservation.

It should fit with the existing community and culture.

Jobs for youth, community farm, wildlife observation park, areas for biking and hiking, museum, use of the house for community events, for workshop or other conference events.

Keep it as a wildlife conservation area. La Cienega is a beautiful open space area. There is no need for a drastic change.

Keep it intact as much as possible. Stay within the original community plans.

Keep the area in as much of its natural state as possible.

Keep the land undeveloped and have little access available to outsiders.

Land conservation and educational history. Perhaps a green farm, camping areas, hiking, and retreat area or spa.

Large park for the kids.

Leave open space. Do not create traffic or construction.

Leave the land open like it is. Do not develop it.

Live stock grazing and gathering firewood are the traditional uses and should be kept that way.

Local market and recreation.

Maintain the natural beauty of the land. Emphasize birds and native flora and fauna. Perhaps hiking trails as in the Village of Cerillos.

Make it community oriented. Recreation area.

Maybe a fishing pond/park for the children. It should be affordable.

Medical/dental facility, adequately equipped fire department with EMT/Paramedic personnel, grocery store.

Mixed use; not only residential. Community perks, gardens and recreation center, bike and walking paths. A small grocery store and maybe a decent coffee shop.

Multi-use trail system. Open space.

Museum, walking trails, and open space.

Natural preservation, walking trails, no buildings or housing. Please keep the open space.

No opinion.

Not affordable housing or any housing. Perhaps a working ranch like a museum.

NOT for private/residential development.

One thing I DON'T want to see is low income housing.....that will not be a good thing for anybody in this peaceful valley.

Open land with hiking trails and horseback riding trails. It would also be great to have a community center.

Open space and hiking trails.

Open space with public use opportunities for hiking, biking, and horseback riding.

Open space with some sort of outdoor recreation, walking, and biking trails.

Too many ATVs in the community. There are not enough police to patrol the area and keep nonsense under control.

Open space with walking trails; ATV free. We would love places to hike and bike without the fear of ATVs, cars, and packs of dogs.

Open space, hiking trails, parks, and gardens.

Open space, trails, biking, and hiking.

Park with hiking trails, small commercial development with services for locals. Grocery and coffee shops.

Park, hiking trails, community swimming pool, etc. Anything but allowing any major contractors or companies to create a big subdivision.

Park, pool, and a walking track.

Parks and recreation areas or a community center.

Parks and recreation. Hiking and biking trails.

Parks, history center at old ranch house.

Most Appropriate Ways to Use the 470 Acres of the Santa Fe Canyon Ranch (continued)

Question 16 (continued) The county of Santa Fe recently purchased 470 acres of the Santa Fe Canyon Ranch located south of La Cienega (Please see map for reference). There are many ways in which the 470 acres of Santa Fe Canyon Ranch can be utilized. What do you feel are the most appropriate ways to use this land?

Passive solar commercial greenhouses that use Aquaponic Technology to grow fish and plants in a symbiotic relationship are needed to provide more food locally, to reduce transportation costs and pollution. The greenhouses would also use passive solar thermal and geothermal heating, and mini Biogas Turbine Generators would provide electricity as well as supplemental heating and cooling to the greenhouses, and to the houses and other buildings in the neighborhood near the greenhouses. Please use this in ways that are respectful to the fragile desert environment. ATVs are very destructive, as are cattle. Uses such as a BMX park or wildlife preserve with hiking trails and a nature center would be great. Please use this land in a way that will keep its history and picturesque value. Preserve as much of the ranch as possible and concentrate any development toward Entrada La Cienega. Consider area for energy production and possible commercial greenhouses. A retirement community would provide housing and a shared "center" would provide our community seniors some place to go. Preserve as open space. Allow hiking and camping. Preserve for wildlife, children and youth centers, and relocate the treatment facility. Preserve it. No development of houses. Perhaps use it for public hiking or recreation. Preserve the archeology and waterways. Preserve the environment and the population's well being. Preserve the land as Open Space. Rehab the ranch house as a visitor center. Develop an interpretive, self-guided hiking trail, similar to the Cerrillos Hills mining district park that takes you through all the old mines. Maybe a wind farm could be installed, or some kind of solar/wind generating area for residents. Maybe a few spaces can be developed, in a minimum of 10 or 20-acre parcels, not to exceed whatever water rights are available. Other: Library, Community Ctr., Fire station. Preserve the land! Protect the delicate ecological balance of the area. Prohibit or restrict real estate development. Preserve the surface water area, space houses within THC layout of not less than one acre, open space for hiking, biking, horse riding, and grazing for the animals. Proclaim it as sanctuary for birds, animals and wildlife. Protection. Put in a park with playground equipment, tennis courts, basketball courts,

picnic tables, shaded areas, and make the area feel useful and attractive. Reasonable priced homes. Recreation for children and adults, such as an indoor/outdoor pool, work-out facilities, organized recreational activities for the youth, a gym and outdoor baseball/softball facility, soccer field. An indoor recreational area where the youth can entertain their time and socializing. Recreation or a police station. Recreation, parks, and community center. Recreation. Recreational activities such as hiking and bike trails. Recreational parks, recreation area, walking area, campgrounds, community center, soccer fields, hiking trails, and a community garden. Retirement facility for aged horses. Santa Feans have no close reservoir to fish, how bout damming it up (lots of springs in the area), filling it up and making a 200 acre warm water fishery with camping and stuff like that....outdoorsy. Sec #36, it is my understanding that the County did not purchase water rights for any commercial uses for the ranch. This is a major issue. Sell it back to the developers. It was a waste of county money when the County was already going into the red. The county didn't need to buy it, just continue to refuse to deliver water. This is a big white elephant that will drain county funds from other necessary services in the rest of the county. Keep it open space, no more development. This is the reason La Cienega originally wanted the county to buy the land. Senior and youth center. No housing development. Senior community center or a medical center. A place for kids. Share the use and establish separate trails for hiking, motorcycles, and horses. Some housing development, activities for both youth and seniors, and childcare services. The land should be preserved and untouched. They need to sell it. This was a waste of money as a Santa Fe county resident and a county employee. The decision was made without the vote of the county residents. The residents are financially responsible and the person that agreed to this probably doesn't care about Santa Fe. Things for the local community - a community center, community gardens, community recreation center.

Most Appropriate Ways to Use the 470 Acres of the Santa Fe Canyon Ranch (continued)

Question 16 (continued) The county of Santa Fe recently purchased 470 acres of the Santa Fe Canyon Ranch located south of La Cienega (Please see map for reference). There are many ways in which the 470 acres of Santa Fe Canyon Ranch can be utilized. What do you feel are the most appropriate ways to use this land?

This land should be used for the benefit of the tax payer. This should not be used to benefit contractors, developers, or politicians.
To build a multi service community center with facilities providing services to seniors, children, and families.
Very limited development with regular housing - NOT affordable housing! - a small commercial center within the housing community, not separate.
Walking and biking trails.
Walking and hiking trails.
Walking trails and recreational facilities for the community members to engage in healthy community building activities that do not involve drugs and alcohol. Also, please do not allow ATVs and cattle. They cause destruction to the fragile native environment.
We would welcome hiking and bicycling trails, nature education center for children in public and private schools, children's summer camp, a La

Cienega area "interpretive" center (covering history, nature, geology, etc.) for visitors with gift shop offering local products to visitors, community garden all come to mind. We oppose an ATV park very strongly and strongly oppose a BMX park. Picnic area for day use. Close park at night to avoid misuse.
Wildlife habitat preserve. Do not open the area to public use unless the county is willing to provide policing and supervision to prevent fires, habitat degradation, drug traffic and other criminal behavior. Leave the area alone if the county does not have the resources to properly manage and maintain public facilities.
Wildlife habitat.
Wildlife preservation.
Youth day camp and educational tours of cultural and geological sites.

Support or Oppose Various Features That Could Be Included When Developing a Master Plan: Neighborhoods With Detached Single Family Homes

Question 17: Please rate your level of support or opposition for each of the following features that could be included when developing a Master Plan for the 470-acre Santa Fe Canyon Ranch land using a 5-point scale where 5 is strongly support and 1 is strongly oppose: Neighborhoods with detached single family homes

	Total Responses (n=158)	Length of Residency in the Greater La Cienega Area			
		5 Years or Less	6-10 Years	11-20 Years	21 Years or Longer
5 - Strongly support					
4	14%	13%	20%	16%	8%
3	10%	25%	8%	14%	4%
2	19%	19%	20%	16%	20%
1 - Strongly oppose	11%	-	10%	14%	14%
	46%	44%	43%	40%	53%
Mean †	2.4	2.6	2.5	2.5	2.0

Support or Oppose Various Features That Could Be Included When Developing a Master Plan: Parks

Question 18: Please rate your level of support or opposition for each of the following features that could be included when developing a Master Plan for the 470-acre Santa Fe Canyon Ranch land using a 5-point scale where 5 is strongly support and 1 is strongly oppose: Parks

	Total Responses (n=158)	Length of Residency in the Greater La Cienega Area			
		5 Years or Less	6-10 Years	11-20 Years	21 Years or Longer
5 - Strongly support					
4	55%	67%	60%	67%	41%
3	20%	7%	20%	15%	27%
2	11%	13%	13%	11%	10%
1 - Strongly oppose	4%	7%	-	2%	6%
	10%	7%	8%	4%	16%
Mean †	4.1	4.2	4.3	4.4	3.7

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Support or Oppose Various Features That Could Be Included When Developing a Master Plan: Playing Fields (Soccer, Baseball, etc.)

Question 19: Please rate your level of support or opposition for each of the following features that could be included when developing a Master Plan for the 470-acre Santa Fe Canyon Ranch land using a 5-point scale where 5 is strongly support and 1 is strongly oppose: *Playing fields (soccer, baseball, etc.)*

	Total Responses (n=158)	Length of Residency in the Greater La Cienega Area				21 Years or Longer
		5 Years or Less	6-10 Years	11-20 Years	21 Years or Longer	
5 - Strongly support	34%	44%	35%	41%	27%	
4	23%	13%	32%	18%	24%	
3	19%	6%	15%	20%	20%	
2	7%	13%	3%	9%	8%	
1 - Strongly oppose	17%	25%	15%	11%	20%	
Mean †	3.5	3.4	3.7	3.7	3.3	

Support or Oppose Various Features That Could Be Included When Developing a Master Plan: Walking Trails

Question 20: Please rate your level of support or opposition for each of the following features that could be included when developing a Master Plan for the 470-acre Santa Fe Canyon Ranch land using a 5-point scale where 5 is strongly support and 1 is strongly oppose: *Walking trails*

	Total Responses (n=158)	Length of Residency in the Greater La Cienega Area				21 Years or Longer
		5 Years or Less	6-10 Years	11-20 Years	21 Years or Longer	
5 - Strongly support	63%	88%	57%	70%	53%	
4	21%	6%	30%	17%	22%	
3	6%	-	5%	7%	10%	
2	3%	-	-	-	6%	
1 - Strongly oppose	7%	6%	8%	7%	8%	
Mean †	4.3	4.7	4.3	4.4	4.1	

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Support or Oppose Various Features That Could Be Included When Developing a Master Plan: Ranch Museum

Question 21: Please rate your level of support or opposition for each of the following features that could be included when developing a Master Plan for the 470-acre Santa Fe Canyon Ranch land using a 5-point scale where 5 is strongly support and 1 is strongly oppose: **Ranch Museum**

	Total Responses (n=158)	Length of Residency in the Greater La Cienega Area			
		5 Years or Less	6-10 Years	11-20 Years	21 Years or Longer
5 - Strongly support	31%	33%	36%	25%	32%
4	15%	7%	13%	16%	20%
3	23%	33%	13%	34%	18%
2	11%	7%	21%	7%	4%
1 - Strongly oppose	20%	20%	18%	18%	26%
Mean $\bar{x}$	3.2	3.3	3.3	3.2	3.3

Support or Oppose Various Features That Could Be Included When Developing a Master Plan: Community Gardens

Question 22: Please rate your level of support or opposition for each of the following features that could be included when developing a Master Plan for the 470-acre Santa Fe Canyon Ranch land using a 5-point scale where 5 is strongly support and 1 is strongly oppose: **Community gardens**

	Total Responses (n=158)	Length of Residency in the Greater La Cienega Area			
		5 Years or Less	6-10 Years	11-20 Years	21 Years or Longer
5 - Strongly support	41%	33%	38%	42%	45%
4	28%	27%	28%	27%	27%
3	15%	13%	21%	18%	10%
2	8%	13%	5%	4%	10%
1 - Strongly oppose	8%	13%	8%	9%	8%
Mean $\bar{x}$	3.8	3.5	3.8	3.9	3.9

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Support or Oppose Various Features That Could Be Included When Developing a Master Plan: Commercial Greenhouses

Question 23: Please rate your level of support or opposition for each of the following features that could be included when developing a Master Plan for the 470-acre Santa Fe Canyon Ranch land using a 5-point scale where 5 is strongly support and 1 is strongly oppose: Commercial greenhouses

		Length of Residency in the Greater La Cienega Area				
		Total Responses (n=158)	5 Years or Less	6-10 Years	11-20 Years	21 Years or Longer
5 - Strongly support		21%	25%	28%	20%	16%
4		16%	13%	13%	18%	18%
3		16%	6%	15%	16%	16%
2		17%	25%	15%	18%	14%
1 - Strongly oppose		31%	31%	30%	27%	35%
Mean <i>t</i>		2.8	2.8	2.9	2.9	2.7

Support or Oppose Various Features That Could Be Included When Developing a Master Plan: Indigent (Low Income) Cemetery

Question 24: Please rate your level of support or opposition for each of the following features that could be included when developing a Master Plan for the 470-acre Santa Fe Canyon Ranch land using a 5-point scale where 5 is strongly support and 1 is strongly oppose: Indigent (low income) cemetery

		Length of Residency in the Greater La Cienega Area				
		Total Responses (n=158)	5 Years or Less	6-10 Years	11-20 Years	21 Years or Longer
5 - Strongly support		12%	33%	10%	7%	12%
4		12%	-	10%	9%	20%
3		19%	13%	20%	22%	18%
2		19%	13%	30%	13%	16%
1 - Strongly oppose		39%	40%	30%	49%	33%
Mean <i>t</i>		2.4	2.7	2.4	2.1	2.6

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Support or Oppose Various Features That Could Be Included When Developing a Master Plan: Mixed Residential Housing Including Higher Cost and Lower Cost Housing Units

Question 25: Please rate your level of support or opposition for each of the following features that could be included when developing a Master Plan for the 470-acre Santa Fe Canyon Ranch land using a 5-point scale where 5 is strongly support and 1 is strongly oppose: Mixed residential housing including higher cost and lower cost housing units

	Total Responses (n=158)	Length of Residency in the Greater La Cienega Area			
		5 Years or Less	6-10 Years	11-20 Years	21 Years or Longer
5 - Strongly support		7%	8%	7%	4%
4	6%			9%	11%
3	9%	-	8%		
	13%	20%	15%	18%	4%
2	17%	13%	13%	18%	19%
1 - Strongly oppose	55%	60%	56%	48%	62%
Mean †	1.9	1.8	2.0	2.1	1.8

Support or Oppose Various Features That Could Be Included When Developing a Master Plan: Conservation Purposes – Leave the Land the Way It Is

Question 26: Please rate your level of support or opposition for each of the following features that could be included when developing a Master Plan for the 470-acre Santa Fe Canyon Ranch land using a 5-point scale where 5 is strongly support and 1 is strongly oppose: Conservation purposes - leave the land the way it is

	Total Responses (n=158)	Length of Residency in the Greater La Cienega Area			
		5 Years or Less	6-10 Years	11-20 Years	21 Years or Longer
5 - Strongly support		60%	60%	56%	50%
4	55%	20%	17%	20%	16%
3	17%	7%	15%	20%	12%
2	14%	-	3%	2%	8%
1 - Strongly oppose	5%	13%	5%	2%	14%
Mean †	4.1	4.1	4.3	4.2	3.8

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Support or Oppose Various Features That Could Be Included When Developing a Master Plan: Community Center That Would House Senior, Youth and Other Community Programs

Question 27: Please rate your level of support or opposition for each of the following features that could be included when developing a Master Plan for the 470-acre Santa Fe Canyon Ranch land using a 5-point scale where 5 is strongly support and 1 is strongly oppose: Community center that would house senior, youth and other community programs

	Total Responses (n=158)	Length of Residency in the Greater La Cienega Area			
		5 Years or Less	6-10 Years	11-20 Years	21 Years or Longer
5 - Strongly support		33%	46%	40%	35%
4	39%	13%	21%	20%	20%
3	18%	27%	13%	20%	20%
2	8%	7%	8%	9%	10%
1 - Strongly oppose	14%	20%	13%	11%	14%
Mean †	3.6	3.3	3.8	3.7	3.5

Support or Oppose Various Features That Could Be Included When Developing a Master Plan: Open Space

Question 28: Please rate your level of support or opposition for each of the following features that could be included when developing a Master Plan for the 470-acre Santa Fe Canyon Ranch land using a 5-point scale where 5 is strongly support and 1 is strongly oppose: Open space

	Total Responses (n=158)	Length of Residency in the Greater La Cienega Area			
		5 Years or Less	6-10 Years	11-20 Years	21 Years or Longer
5 - Strongly support		60%	65%	71%	63%
4	66%	20%	20%	13%	18%
3	17%	-	8%	9%	8%
2	8%	13%	5%	2%	-
1 - Strongly oppose	4%	7%	3%	4%	10%
Mean †	4.3	4.1	4.4	4.4	4.2

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Support or Oppose Various Features That Could Be Included When Developing a Master Plan: Artist Studios and Galleries

Question 29: Please rate your level of support or opposition for each of the following features that could be included when developing a Master Plan for the 470-acre Santa Fe Canyon Ranch land using a 5-point scale where 5 is strongly support and 1 is strongly oppose: *Artist studios and galleries*

	Total Responses (n=158)	Length of Residency in the Greater La Cienega Area			
		5 Years or Less	6-10 Years	11-20 Years	21 Years or Longer
5 - Strongly support	11%	20%	22%	7%	2%
4	15%	20%	15%	11%	19%
3	23%	7%	28%	27%	19%
2	16%	20%	13%	20%	13%
1 - Strongly oppose	35%	33%	22%	34%	48%
Mean †	2.5	2.7	3.0	2.4	2.1

Support or Oppose Various Features That Could Be Included When Developing a Master Plan: Demonstration Farm/Ranch

Question 30: Please rate your level of support or opposition for each of the following features that could be included when developing a Master Plan for the 470-acre Santa Fe Canyon Ranch land using a 5-point scale where 5 is strongly support and 1 is strongly oppose: *Demonstration farm/ranch*

	Total Responses (n=158)	Length of Residency in the Greater La Cienega Area			
		5 Years or Less	6-10 Years	11-20 Years	21 Years or Longer
5 - Strongly support	25%	29%	35%	11%	29%
4	16%	14%	17%	23%	12%
3	26%	29%	20%	36%	22%
2	15%	-	13%	18%	16%
1 - Strongly oppose	17%	29%	15%	11%	20%
Mean †	3.2	3.1	3.5	3.0	3.1

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Support or Oppose Various Features That Could Be Included When Developing a Master Plan: Resort and Spa

Question 31: Please rate your level of support or opposition for each of the following features that could be included when developing a Master Plan for the 470-acre Santa Fe Canyon Ranch land using a 5-point scale where 5 is strongly support and 1 is strongly oppose: Resort and spa

	Total Responses (n=158)	Length of Residency in the Greater La Cienega Area			
		5 Years or Less	6-10 Years	11-20 Years	21 Years or Longer
5 - Strongly support	7%	13%	17%	2%	-
4	9%	-	5%	7%	16%
3	17%	13%	17%	23%	14%
2	18%	13%	25%	18%	10%
1 - Strongly oppose	50%	60%	35%	50%	59%
Mean †	2.1	1.9	2.5	1.9	1.9

Support or Oppose Various Features That Could Be Included When Developing a Master Plan: Botanical Garden

Question 32: Please rate your level of support or opposition for each of the following features that could be included when developing a Master Plan for the 470-acre Santa Fe Canyon Ranch land using a 5-point scale where 5 is strongly support and 1 is strongly oppose: Botanical garden

	Total Responses (n=158)	Length of Residency in the Greater La Cienega Area			
		5 Years or Less	6-10 Years	11-20 Years	21 Years or Longer
5 - Strongly support	27%	40%	40%	30%	12%
4	20%	20%	10%	23%	24%
3	24%	7%	25%	20%	29%
2	7%	7%	5%	9%	6%
1 - Strongly oppose	22%	27%	20%	18%	29%
Mean †	3.2	3.4	3.5	3.4	2.9

† The mean score is derived by taking the average score based on the 5-point scale. The Strongly Support response is assigned a value of 5; the Strongly Oppose response is assigned a value of 1. The Don't Know/Won't Say responses are excluded from the calculation of the mean.

Support or Oppose Various Features That Could Be Included When Developing a Master Plan: Visitors Center

Question 33: Please rate your level of support or opposition for each of the following features that could be included when developing a Master Plan for the 470-acre Santa Fe Canyon Ranch land using a 5-point scale where 5 is strongly support and 1 is strongly oppose: *Visitors center*

	Total Responses (n=158)	Length of Residency in the Greater La Cienega Area			
		5 Years or Less	6-10 Years	11-20 Years	21 Years or Longer
5 - Strongly support	17%	27%	30%	7%	14%
4	10%	13%	8%	9%	12%
3	34%	27%	28%	44%	35%
2	13%	13%	15%	12%	6%
1 - Strongly oppose	26%	20%	20%	28%	33%
Mean $\bar{x}$	2.8	3.1	3.1	2.6	2.7

Support or Oppose Various Features That Could Be Included When Developing a Master Plan: Renewable Energy Projects

Question 34: Please rate your level of support or opposition for each of the following features that could be included when developing a Master Plan for the 470-acre Santa Fe Canyon Ranch land using a 5-point scale where 5 is strongly support and 1 is strongly oppose: *Renewable energy projects*

	Total Responses (n=158)	Length of Residency in the Greater La Cienega Area			
		5 Years or Less	6-10 Years	11-20 Years	21 Years or Longer
5 - Strongly support	39%	47%	43%	43%	30%
4	16%	-	22%	14%	18%
3	21%	33%	10%	23%	24%
2	9%	7%	10%	9%	8%
1 - Strongly oppose	16%	13%	15%	11%	20%
Mean $\bar{x}$	3.5	3.6	3.7	3.7	3.3

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Support or Oppose Various Features That Could Be Included When Developing a Master Plan: Veteran's Rehabilitation Center

Question 35: Please rate your level of support or opposition for each of the following features that could be included when developing a Master Plan for the 470-acre Santa Fe Canyon Ranch land using a 5-point scale where 5 is strongly support and 1 is strongly oppose: *Veteran's rehabilitation center*

	Total Responses (n=158)	Length of Residency in the Greater La Cienega Area			
		5 Years or Less	6-10 Years	11-20 Years	21 Years or Longer
5 - Strongly support	18%	20%	28%	14%	16%
4	11%	7%	5%	11%	18%
3	27%	47%	30%	30%	18%
2	20%	7%	17%	25%	18%
1 - Strongly oppose	24%	20%	20%	20%	29%
Mean †	2.8	3.0	3.0	2.7	2.8

Support or Oppose Various Features That Could Be Included When Developing a Master Plan:
One Way Some of the Land Could Be Used Is to Build a Park and Recreation Center. In Addition to Park Lands for Recreation Use, an Event Center Could Be Designed to Host Weddings, Parties and Other Public Events. Botanical and Demonstration Gardens Could Also Be Included in the Park.

Question 36: Please rate your overall level of support or opposition for using some of the 470 acres for the following purposes: *One way some of the land could be used is to build a park and recreation center. In addition to park lands for recreation use, an event center could be designed to host weddings, parties and other public events. Botanical and demonstration gardens could also be included in the park.*

	Total Responses (n=158)	Length of Residency in the Greater La Cienega Area			
		5 Years or Less	6-10 Years	11-20 Years	21 Years or Longer
5 - Strongly support	38%	44%	41%	47%	28%
4	23%	13%	26%	21%	28%
3	21%	31%	23%	15%	18%
2	3%	6%	-	4%	2%
1 - Strongly oppose	16%	6%	10%	13%	24%
Mean †	3.6	3.8	3.9	3.9	3.3

† The mean score is derived by taking the average score based on the 5-point scale. The *Strongly Support* response is assigned a value of 5; the *Strongly Oppose* response is assigned a value of 1. The *Don't Know/Won't Say* responses are excluded from the calculation of the mean.

**Support or Oppose Various Features That Could Be Included When Developing a Master Plan:
Some People Have Proposed Using Some the Land to Build a Retirement Community for Residents 55 Years of Age or Older.
This Planned Community Would Feature Affordable Housing Units, Clubhouse, and Recreational/Activities Center.**

Question 37: Please rate your overall level of support or opposition for using some of the 470 acres for the following purposes: Some people have proposed using some the land to build a retirement community for residents 55 years of age or older. This planned community would feature affordable housing units, clubhouse, and recreational/activities center.

	Total Responses (n=158)	Length of Residency in the Greater La Cienega Area			
		5 Years or Less	6-10 Years	11-20 Years	21 Years or Longer
5 - Strongly support	17%	19%	17%	26%	10%
4	15%	19%	13%	4%	26%
3	27%	25%	32%	32%	18%
2	10%	13%	10%	9%	10%
1 - Strongly oppose	31%	25%	28%	30%	36%
Mean $\bar{x}$	2.8	2.9	2.8	2.9	2.6

$\bar{x}$ The mean score is derived by taking the average score based on the 5-point scale. The Strongly Support response is assigned a value of 5; the Strongly Oppose response is assigned a value of 1. The Don't Know/Won't Say responses are excluded from the calculation of the mean.

Suggestions for Use of Land

VERBATIM RESPONSES

Question 38: Do you have any other suggestions as to how the land could be used or protected?

A combination of the above would serve the local residents as well as broader sweep of county residents.
A small grocery store would be nice. Youth and senior citizen centers.
A small petting zoo and a cemetery.
Again, restrict real estate development and preserve the aquifer. Prioritize a balance between landscape preservation and public access and use.
As an area that is part of a 'gateway to Santa Fe' the buildings could house educational & museum aspects that could bring 1-25 travelers in to visit and eat at small-medium sized restaurant, shop at the store featuring local produce and products, meats, arts, crafts, and provide visitor information for travelers entering Santa Fe. They would see that events can be held there and possibly have some housing for event attendees. A local program might be developed to interact with local environment.
Build a new county complex at Rodeo Road. Fishing hole, tree farm, petting zoo, BLM satellite office, and county swimming.
Build another entrance into La Cienega from I-25, where it is less populated.
Build hiking trails with back door access.
Child care center. Early childhood center.
Conservation and natural wildlife uses. Walking and hiking trails. Also not opposed to the idea of community gardens, demonstration ranch, so long as most of it is left open.
Conservation and preservation of the natural land; definitely including walking trails, because we have NOTHING out here for walking, biking, hiking, or riding horses; maybe even a horse facility and community gardens for people to connect to each other and the land. Basically, if you want to do anything outdoors, you cannot do it in La Cienega.
Conserving the open space and ecologically most sensitive areas should be the primary use of this land. A La Cienega area interpretive center that tourists would visit, covering the area's natural history (geology, for example), human history and the ecosystem with a gift shop selling local products, snack bar, picnic area, hiking and biking. A nature/conservation education center for school children/day or overnight. Definitely against BMX or ATV trails.
Consider innovative waste recycling and treatment (totally odor-free is a must).
Demonstration farm/ranch where school groups could go to see actual farm/ranch operations.

Do not rush to develop the land and keep it in its original form.
Don't let the real estate or private investors develop the area.
Energy paid for local energy hub like LANB is looking to have a community sponsor. Retirement community for those who still want to live off of the land and not a resort type of complex.
Explore innovative energy production to supply local community.
Gas station and convenience store and possibly a casino.
Great attention must be paid to minimize impact on the water table.
Green use only.
Hiking, walking, and horseback riding trails.
I love the idea of a demonstration farm for sustainable techniques.
I think if we build more homes we will end up with more crime and less protected land.
I would like to see an educational component for the kids in the area.
I would like to see it remain protected as public lands.
If a housing community was built, you would need to bring in natural gas because no senior on fixed income can afford the propane. Why don't you combine the renewable energy project with a low-impact community plan? It should be kept open space as much as possible in order to protect the last gateway into Santa Fe and to keep La Cienega the rural, agricultural community that it has always been.
Keep it simple. Less is better.
Keep the area natural and free to residents but useful inviting areas.
Keep the space open and let people enjoy the nature. There is no need to develop or build. Let nature take care of the rest.
Large lots with larger open spaces. Some live or work there but some are clustered together.
Leave it alone. It would just attract more people and traffic. People move out here for a reason.
Leave the land alone!
Leave the land as is. No more money should be spent. No more movie stages.
Leave the land undeveloped and accessible to hikers, bikers, and runners.
No ATVs!
Let's discuss this when the county is back in the black, in about 10 years.
Limit development to low density, low impact things that preserve the rural community.

Suggestions for Use of Land (continued)

VERBATIM RESPONSES

Question 38 (continued): Do you have any other suggestions as to how the land could be used or protected?

Link to Placitas wildlife corridor. Wildlife museum.
More law enforcement, security, and vigilant neighbors to prevent theft.
Need to create sustainable community resources, energy and agriculture.
North of town. Community center should be in the, well, community center.
On the question below, I have lived here 7 years, but owned land here since 1991.

Open space and protect the wildlife.
Open space and walking trails and anything that is environmentally friendly and not destructive.
Open space for hiking or biking. No motor vehicles whatsoever.
Open space, museum, Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts, art galleries, and parks.
Outdoor amphitheater, multi-use trail system for hiking, biking and equestrian use.

Park and recreation center. Could be sold for growing crops.
Partnerships with conservation public trust groups.
Passive solar commercial greenhouses that use Aquaponic Technology to grow fish and plants in a symbiotic relationship are needed to provide more food locally, to reduce transportation costs and pollution. The greenhouses would also use passive solar thermal and geothermal heating, and mini Biogas Turbine Generators would provide electricity as well as supplemental heating and cooling to the greenhouses, and to the houses and other buildings in the neighborhood near the greenhouses.
Please protect the beauty of this area. I don't want to see the place where I grew up turned into a huge neighborhood with houses on top of each other. Please leave the open space and beauty of our land. Preserve the wildlife and country setting.
Protect it by designating it and keeping it as undeveloped as possible.
Protect the land. No development.
Protect, protect, protect!!!
Protection of water resources in the entire La Cienega area. Do not create water intensive uses. Do not allow activities that increase the risk of fire.
Do not create a magnet for criminal activities or homeless encampments far from county police services.
Provide adequate protection.
Schools and places of employment.
Schools support education. Solar or wind energy sources for the community.
Sell it! Santa Fe County needs the money.

Sell the land for home sites with at least 50 acres of land. No commercial zoning. We don't need it.
Separate ATV use from residential areas.
Solar panels would be a great benefit to the community and Santa Fe as a whole. With the Santa Fe Community College's green degree, collaboration and cooperative projects would make it viable and sustainable.
Some of the land could be protected for the wildlife. It would be cool to have a park with a sports complex, walking and running trails, botanical gardens and recreation center.
Stop the low income sprawl.
Tax payers paid over 8 million dollars to acquire this real estate. It should be utilized to serve the public and not the very few that live next to the property that would like to keep it as open space.
The way to protect it would be to not be in such a hurry to develop it.
This land is really beautiful and I think it includes the animals in the area.
Please preserve it as it is with limited access to hikers, bikers, and walkers.
This land should be used and protected by providing its use for senior citizens and our youth. It should be offered only to those on fixed incomes and not let the wealthy take over. Because of the historic nature of this land, it should be a priority to families who were descendants of the Spanish influence who traveled this area. I am tired of wealthy people reaping the lands which once belonged to our ancestors.
This survey has covered all my suggestions.
Trails for hiking and get removal of low income people in the area.
Turn land into a conservation area and add working to make sure that no residential housing will ever be allowed on the land. It will be the only way to keep out beautiful community as it should be for the years to come.
Turn over control to Mesita de Juana Lopez Community Land Grant Board for further consideration.
Use conservation easements and density transfers to limit need for building.
Use the land for a wind power generation farm that could be used for power needs of La Cienega. This could be used as a prototype for other communities that want to start to use alternative energy sources.
Whatever is done, should be done soon, and not let it drag on for years and years.

Suggestions for Use of Land (continued)

VERBATIM RESPONSES

Question 38 (continued): Do you have any other suggestions as to how the land could be used or protected?

Whatever you do, just don't deplete the water or build more than the current water rights allow or can support.

Wildlife refuge would be great use for the land.

Wind farm to supply energy to the residents.

Wind farm would preserve open space as would cemetery and paths. There are enough recreation facilities.

Work with conservation groups to protect as much of the land as possible.

Youth community area for conservation, recreation, and an art area for the youth.

II. SUMMARY OF RESULTS:

STUDY II: LA CIENEGA SANTA FE COUNTYWIDE VERBATIMS

Appropriate Uses for Santa Fe Canyon Ranch

VERBATIM RESPONSES

Question 1: The County of Santa Fe recently purchased 470 acres of the Santa Fe Canyon Ranch located south of La Cienega. There are many ways in which the 470 acres of Santa Fe Canyon Ranch can be utilized. What do you feel are the most appropriate ways to use this land?

Sell It (4)

1. Intentional Community based on Earth Medicine. Give it back to the people, so that they can use it in a way that supports the Earth and the New Way of sustainable communal living. 2. Keep it WILD!!!!

A combination of housing (not high density) and recreational and fruit farm.

A graveyard for wasteful County Commissioners who evidently feel like our hard-earned tax money and County funds are their own personal piggy-banks to toss around on worthless outgoing County Managers, and useless dustbowls, without any public input. Simply being elected to public office does not give you carte-blanche to spend our funds in such an outrageously profligate manner. Quite the opposite - it carries a huge accountability which is clearly being disregarded by the current Commission.

A major portion of this property should be dedicated to affordable housing so developers in other parts of the county do not have to devote more valuable property to this initiative.

Affordable housing.

Anything for the kids!! That is what Santa Fe County needs; our youth has nothing to do and this is why there are so many teens in trouble. Give them jobs, maybe a youth center of some sort and have kids help through the whole process. Kids that work don't have time for gangs and other bad choices.

As a film studio location or as a horse riding park.

As a living museum to show the waste of taxpayer money on sweetheart deals.

As a natural habitat for wildlife and nature tours for schools to teach kids about wildlife.

As part of the "Gateway to Santa Fe", this area should be protected from residential and commercial development. It is an important part of La Bajada Mesa a spectacular visual and historic landmark at entrance to Santa Fe. As part of the Rio Grande National Heritage Area it should be preserved, protected and used ONLY for park oriented activities.

Because the area is the intersection of so many different transportation points, it should remain an open space. Allow public access to the incredible overlooks, point out the historical highway that climbed the hill,

honor the new Rail Runner corridor, and preserve the beautiful entry-way to the county and city of Santa Fe.

Best use: Save it to enrich the future of Santa Fe County. Great viewscape, bankable first impression of Santa Fe, coming from ABQ. I am not familiar, though, with the fate of the rest of La Bajada. The land to the immediate south and across I-25 with the rock outcroppings is most critical. Trade-offs could be made if necessary to save that. Could some of this land be leased as a larger-plot community garden? Sustainable ranching demo?

Build a rifle/pistol/archery range. Ever since Caja Del Rio Rod & Gun Club was closed, there is no place for residents to safely participate in shooting sports. Hunters have to go to Los Alamos or Espanola to shoot their rifles. Las Campanas closed their trap range. The only pistol range in Santa Fe is Tina's Range Gear. The only shooting range in Santa Fe County is at the National Guard Armory and it is not open to the public. Sportsmen have resorted to setting up makeshift rifle ranges.

Conservation and restoration of landscape.

Conservation Easement leaving it undeveloped and a place for people to hike, gather and camp out.

Conservation of the most imperiled river in the U.S.

Conservation, restoration of landscape, education.

County never should have purchased it - Get our millions back!!

County offices.

County park for hiking, camping, riding, day use.

County Park: Open the ranch house to rent for special occasions like weddings / receptions / county parties etc... the land - create trails to observe the ruins and perhaps, working with the universities, excavate some of the ruins.

Create open space, trails, parks, meeting facilities. Keep the area as natural as possible as a natural discovery area.

Develop a visitor center and turn the land into a natural preserve; visitors can donate money when visiting or there can be a fee to get in. History of the land is too important to develop buildings that are unnecessary! Love the land!

DO NOT develop it for parks or for million dollar homes. Keep it as wildlife refuge with hiking, wetlands, bicycling, and ATV trails. We do not need any more housing in Santa Fe; let it be.

Appropriate Uses for Santa Fe Canyon Ranch (continued)

VERBATIM RESPONSES

Question 1 (continued): The County of Santa Fe recently purchased 470 acres of the Santa Fe Canyon Ranch located south of La Cienega. There are many ways in which the 470 acres of Santa Fe Canyon Ranch can be utilized. What do you feel are the most appropriate ways to use this land?

Due to present and future food insecurity some of this land could be leased and rehabilitated for natural/organic agricultural production to local farmers. Film production facilities.

First the dead wood should be shared for fuel.

For the erection of low cost public housing and rental apartments for the poor and housing for the homeless.

Gardens, preserve the land.

Hiking trails of varying lengths, some long, others short for senior citizens.

Possibly a B&B in the ranch house or a senior center? Something to draw tourists. A few cattle and horses on the premises, with occasional demonstrations of roping and riding. Horseback riding lessons for kids.

Hiking, interpretive geological/historical displays for tourism, conscientious ranching, public school field trips, voluntary maintenance activities by local nature-oriented groups and college students studying land management, forestry, ecology, etc. wildlife sanctuary or bird migration stopovers?

Hiking/biking trails, picnic areas.

I believe the ranch should be sold to a developer as it never should have been purchased in the first place. This was a foolish decision with insufficient planning during a time of bad financial times.

I believe the ranch should be utilized in a fashion where the county would benefit the most financially to repay some of the purchase price. I believe this purchase was not the best of ideas during a time of bad financial times, and at this point the plans should include methods of gaining the most amount of capital to replenish what was spent.

I can't understand why the county ever bought the Santa Fe Canyon Ranch in the first place. Where will the county get the money to develop it; the residents of S.F. can't afford another tax increase to pay for the development. There is a limit to how much we can pay in taxes and we have already gone beyond that limit. We need to get new County Commissioners who have a little common sense.

I do not feel this property should have been acquired - everyone has been forced to tighten belts and put off unnecessary expenditures, and that is what this is.

I don't have any appropriate way or ideas to use this land but to put it up for sale and sell it and get our money back since we he County are in a bind and I think it would benefit us in the situation we are in.

I feel the best use of the land is to give SFC workers the opportunity to purchase parts of the land so they can build houses for the ones in need. I moved to Sandoval County for the sole purpose of lower housing. It is too expensive in the SFC area to be able to afford housing; this is a must for the people that work in SFC.

I feel the County should just donate the land to some worthy cause. Rather than waste more taxpayer dollars on this, just get rid of it. Some lessons are more painful than others. This one will cost taxpayers over \$7 million. Why waste more money on another stupid idea by this Board of Commissioners.

I feel the land should be preserved as much as possible, meaning that animals' habitats are left alone, and plants and trees are left alone. I think if this stays wild as it can, that land is rich for wildlife next to the river; an Eco Psychology program would help community. I think for the health of the community keeping open is needed. The parts that have been farmed can still be farmed; I am sure there are many self empowering programs that can teach children and adults. Health of the planet.

I feel this land should be used for the benefit of all Santa Fe City and County residents with little to no cost to the citizens. Some sort of park/museum combination would be good. Something where people can go to spend quality time and be exposed to nature.

I have read some of the suggested uses, many of which are good. I am a professional in the field of geriatrics, so senior housing is an idea I appreciate IF it is done as tastefully as an OUT-OF-STATE corporation did with the Ventana project on Pacheco Street.. Please do not erect a housing development the likes of the one at the north end of 14. Slam Bam. I like the idea of alternate energy projects also. Let it be a beautiful invitation for travelers to visit. Let it serve us too.

I honestly think and feel that the ranch should never have been purchased but now that the County has purchased it I feel that it should be sold. The money from the sale should go to firefighters, police, teachers and education, road projects; in other words there are more practical ways to spend. I believe the county is in the red and we don't need this ranch.

I support, at minimum, multiple choice #2 and #21.

Appropriate Uses for Santa Fe Canyon Ranch (continued)

VERBATIM RESPONSES

Question 1 (continued): The County of Santa Fe recently purchased 470 acres of the Santa Fe Canyon Ranch located south of La Cienega. There are many ways in which the 470 acres of Santa Fe Canyon Ranch can be utilized. What do you feel are the most appropriate ways to use this land?

I think you can utilize the property by changing the property to commercial zoning and make it a "Restaurant Row" meaning open restaurants that are not available to us in Santa Fe and some of us drive all the way to Albuquerque to enjoy. For example: Chili's, Landry's, Texas Steak Road House, Fridays, etc... It is off I-25 which would meet travelers' needs as well as local Santa Feans. I would like to see this area developed for educational purposes via hiking trails, open space, museum, greenhouses and gardens.

I would love to see as much conservation as possible. Any development would be limited, ideally with a single-use purpose (community center, learning center, etc).

If it is in good condition, do as little as possible.

If this is a working ranch, what about making part of it into a working ranch for Santa Fe youth? Somewhere where teens can go for a period of time and work on a real ranch - ride horses, work with cattle, maybe even plant and care for some crops. Something like this might keep some teens out of trouble and teach them the value of hard work.

If you didn't know what to do with it, how dare you spend \$7,000,000 of taxpayer money for the ranch. You are NOT in real estate development. I suggest that you place restrictions on it and then sell it to somebody that knows what they are doing and meanwhile you can get back to doing what county managers are supposed to be doing.

In addition to other usages, the county should provide for a system of motorcycle/ATV trails with modest speed limits to provide a safe, enjoyable family recreational opportunity. These trails may have a few days per month on which they are closed to allow hikers access without noise. The county needs to provide legal, challenging, scenic, and interesting areas for us to ride or people will ride elsewhere without the benefit of legality.

In addition to the following, it is a great movie location!! It is an important part of La Bajada Mesa a spectacular visual and historic landmark at entrance to Santa Fe. As part of the Rio Grande National Heritage Area it should be preserved, protected and used for Park oriented activities. This could include open space, trails, traditional farm/ranch activities, greenhouses, gardens, visitor's center, events center, solar energy projects, tours and seminars.

In light of the fact that the county has already purchased the property, care and patience should be exercised in determining the best long term use of

the property. In the short term, the property should be made accessible to the public, with the ranch house used for public purposes. A thorough public input process should be initiated to determine the best long term use. Let's be patient and do it right, as this could be a real gem for Santa Fe County and La Cienega.

It is important that the taxpayers are re-compensated for the unwise decision to purchase this property during the current terrible economic climate. The land should be developed as a sustainable, mixed-use development including affordable housing, market-rate housing and minor commercial uses. The development should occur under the County's ownership but overseen by a non-profit management corporation, much like the City's Railyard and Tierra Contenta projects. It should be open trails and an adjunct to the SF Botanical Gardens Leonora Curtin Preserve.

It would be nice to put the Santa Fe County Courthouse there and scrap the downtown Santa Fe location idea. Make a park in Downtown Santa Fe so we can stop paying so much there for nothing.

Keep it all open space.

Keep it as open space, but place a circular or similar shaped bike trail around/across it to allow hikers and bikers easy access to the land.

Leave as is for open space and for future open space. Protect the migrating birds, wildlife and land!

Leave as open space.

Maybe you should have asked for input BEFORE you purchased.

No intensive development.

Open Space

Open space or animal rescue.

Open space with unencumbered views from I-25. If revenues are needed, create a multi-use park with user fees.

OPEN SPACE!!!! Such a gorgeous piece of land, with its varied wildlife.

Should be kept as wild and open as possible. A few nature trails that would not disturb habitat and wildlife could be added.

Open space, hiking trails.

Open space, hiking, area of relative solitude. Because of proximity of Leonora Curtin Preserve, perhaps add environmental/cultural history info trails.

Open, undeveloped land with as little infrastructure as practical.

Parks and green spaces, gardens and educational centers.

Appropriate Uses for Santa Fe Canyon Ranch (continued)

VERBATIM RESPONSES

Question 1 (continued): The County of Santa Fe recently purchased 470 acres of the Santa Fe Canyon Ranch located south of La Cienega. There are many ways in which the 470 acres of Santa Fe Canyon Ranch can be utilized. What do you feel are the most appropriate ways to use this land?

Passive Open Space. No recreational facilities save for trails, perhaps primitive toilets.
Preserve ALL of it.

Preserve it as it is. As a native born Santa Fean, I have seen the town that I grew up in sprawl out around me. We have more houses than we need, more unoccupied businesses - why build it if we can't buy it. Santa Fe will continue to grow as its population increases. We should conserve as much open space as we can now. It adds value to our town - it is why people love to visit - it's why we have firms - if we build it all away then we won't be a special place but another city in the United States.

Preserving the land as "Open Space" for all citizens to be able to use and enjoy for picnicking, horseback riding, photography, etc.

Preserving undeveloped or minimally-developed open space should be high priority. I have traveled and lived in many places across these United States. In talking with residents wherever I've lived, thing that people report most enhances quality of life (apart from basic services) is the availability of open, undeveloped land. Places to regroup, rejuvenate, reaffirm are really appreciated. But, no ball fields, lights, etc. Nothing more than hiking trails.

Protecting this area as a natural landscape will in the long run benefit the majority of New Mexico residents. I would prefer that it be used for park oriented activities. This could include open space, trails, equestrian activities, historical events, etc. Please leave this area as untouched as possible.

Public use and access, e.g. park, overnight camping, horseback riding stables, nature preserve, demo projects involving conservation measures, open space, walking trails with exercise stops, biking trails, kite flying area and similar activities; hot air balloon demos or rides, electric sightseeing trams to tour visitors around entire ranch.

Santa Fe. As part of the Rio Grande National Heritage Area it should be preserved, protected and used for Park oriented activities. This could include open space, trails, traditional farm/ranch activities, greenhouses, gardens, visitor's center, events center, solar energy projects, tours and seminars.

Sell it and try to get the County taxpayers' money back.

Sell it and use the money to provide direct access for the public to information about county expenditures.

Sell it with covenants attached. We need to have at least one public meeting on this project!!! If the County continues to be interested in putting money into projects such as this, it should be open space. A waste of 7 million dollars the County doesn't have to spend in my opinion.

Sell it with development restrictions. Why did the County buy it?

Sell the entire property if possible or sell as much of the property as possible. SF County needs to balance the need to generate some form of revenue from this purchase while preserving the natural beauty of the area. Acceptable uses might include public recreation consistent with other SF County open space such as hiking, biking, horseback riding, nature viewing, astronomy, appropriate renewable energy, etc. The built structures on the ranch should accommodate educational programs, public meetings and special events. Any fee structure needs to be and remain affordable.

Since the "stupid" purchase is a done deal, and the parcel has no water rights--which is why it wasn't allowed for development in the first place--the only use left is for parks, trails, hiking, biking and open space. Anything that does not require water! To contemplate putting a "senior citizen" center way out there is also stupid. How are they supposed to get there? The BEST thing to do would be to sell it, even at a loss!

Since the property was purchased with public funds, it should be used only for public purposes. It should be maintained as open space, protecting the scenic vistas, wildlife corridors and natural land values. None of it should be developed. There is not a clearly delineated need for affordable housing at this location.

So very important to keep it wild, undeveloped. As our wild places diminish, especially close to town, it is so important to retain as much as we can. The natural world is where we renew ourselves in a very unique, very important way.

Appropriate Uses for Santa Fe Canyon Ranch (continued)

VERBATIM RESPONSES

Question 1 (continued): The County of Santa Fe recently purchased 470 acres of the Santa Fe Canyon Ranch located south of La Cienega. There are many ways in which the 470 acres of Santa Fe Canyon Ranch can be utilized. What do you feel are the most appropriate ways to use this land?

The 470 acres of land purchased by the county, in part known as the Santa Fe Canyon Ranch, should not be developed but rather should be held for "strictly limited" traditional, historic, agricultural and open space uses. La Bajada Mesa is part of the Rio Grande National Heritage Area and as mandated by U.S. law should remain preserved, protected and undeveloped. The best thing to do would be to sell it, but is probably impossible in today's economy. The next best thing is for the County to spend as little as possible going forward. Possibly giving away the land to a developer might be best. The County has wasted too much on this already. It would be really, really stupid for the County to invest another dime into this. Let someone else take the risk.

The county should first consult with organizations that specialize in preserving or conserving land.

The county should sell the land and keep its valuable internal programs running.

The land may be purchased by one or more organizations for indefinite preservation and rehabilitation.

The manner in which the ranch was acquired calls into question the integrity of the County Commission. The process gives the impression the County Commission willingly participated in a politically motivated scam. The result was the County probably paid more than twice market value for a piece of property for which the County had no land use plan.

The parcel should be utilized for non-vehicular recreational use such as hiking trails, picnic sites and primitive camp sites.

The property may be leased in whole or in portions as with the Santa Fe County Fairgrounds with the same liability requirements.

The property should be used as a community park/clubhouse. The facilities there are absolutely beautiful and should be utilized. It should be made available to the public. Open trails for walking and access to the ponds.

The purchase of this land should have been voted on by residents due to the large amt of cash reserves that it cost the taxpayers.

The south side should be granted a greater resource for the development of creative culture that sustains our community. The south side, blanketed with big box stores, etc., really needs to have more larger scale areas that promote locals and their crafts - with Las Golondrinas next door - a great addition would be to develop the area not 'in mass' but in conjunction with

the natural landscape and feel of the village area - into creative commons - where art studios, film production editing.

There is a main house which sits on the 470 acres property which is part of the Master Plan to use as a Visitors' Center.

This area is an important part of La Bajada Mesa a spectacular visual and historic landmark at entrance to Santa Fe. As part of the Rio Grande National Heritage Area it should be preserved, protected and used for Park oriented activities. This could include open space, trails, traditional farm/ranch activities, greenhouses, gardens, visitor's center, events center, solar energy projects, tours and seminars.

This area should be protected as part of the "Gateway to Santa Fe". It is an important part of La Bajada Mesa a spectacular visual and historic landmark at entrance to Santa Fe. As part of the Rio Grande National Heritage Area it should be preserved, protected and used for Park oriented activities. This could include open space, trails, traditional farm/ranch activities, greenhouses, gardens, visitor's center, events center, solar energy projects, tours and seminars.

This land should be preserved as open space with designated hiking trails and historical information provided along the paths.

This land should be public open space, kept relatively undeveloped. There will be development as Santa Fe grows and if purposeful steps are not taken regarding parcels like this one, which is part of the gateway of Santa Fe county and city, then in time there will be no difference between Santa Fe and Newark, NJ. Public open space is the lung by which we live, by which we breathe. This should remain open space.

This property has the potential to show Santa Fe County's natural abundance at its richest and best. The Santa Fe Canyon Preserve and Leonora Curtin tracts both get steady visitation that shows the public appetite for such a place, but they're both limited in area and negatively affected by nearby land uses (Curtin especially, with constant highway noise). Your bigger, more undisturbed area-- with a building usable for interpretive materials and events-- is a natural, far superior fit.

This purchase should never have been made, in the first place, without the consent of the public. I say this in light of the fact that Santa Fe County is extremely close to a financial crisis, and to expend \$7,000,000.00 from Cash Reserves was not a sound decision! The original developer couldn't build on their property because there was no water available. SFC purchased this property with NO water rights and so cannot develop it either! It should be sold!!

Appropriate Uses for Santa Fe Canyon Ranch (continued)

VERBATIM RESPONSES

Question 1 (continued): The County of Santa Fe recently purchased 470 acres of the Santa Fe Canyon Ranch located south of La Cienega. There are many ways in which the 470 acres of Santa Fe Canyon Ranch can be utilized. What do you feel are the most appropriate ways to use this land?

This scenic area should be protected as part of the "Gateway to Santa Fe". It is an important part of La Bajada Mesa a spectacular visual and historic landmark at the entrance to Santa Fe. As part of the Rio Grande National Heritage Area it should be preserved, protected and used for Park oriented activities. This could include open space, trails, traditional farm/ranch activities, greenhouses, gardens, visitor's center, events center, solar energy projects, tours and seminars.

To sell it.

Two characteristics of the parcel combine to make it particularly important as open, undeveloped space. First, it is immediately adjacent to I-25, so preservation of the unique and spectacular view shed for visitors and residents is particularly needed. Second, the parcel encloses or is adjacent to, critical drainages into the Santa Fe River. Riparian areas are few in number and VERY delicate, and require preservation rather than development to protect their natural and cultural resources.

Use it for nature trails and have Wild Horse Rescue. What it better not have is apartment or condo buildings. Keep it for the public to enjoy!

Use some of it to build county offices; that way the county doesn't have to pay the extraordinary amount on rent that it does every month.

Use the property as a teaching farm as with Las Golondrinas; animals, culinary, herbs, etc.

Use the property for public purposes such as scenic walking and horseback riding, historic site restoration and motion picture development projects and other ventures that will create local jobs and stimulate the local economy.

Walking and biking paths; preserve the land as green space.

We are so privileged to live among so much beauty. Please, we want to see this land protected and preserved. Perhaps trails for hiking or tours and seminars, something that keeps the beauty of the land intact. It is the most beautiful entrance to Santa Fe and so rich in history. Each time I drive up La Bajada Mesa I think of the early settlers and the natives who came before us. Please protect this land.

While there are many trails available for "hearty, healthy" hikers, there are few destinations for people who need assistance to hike. Simpler, easy yet interesting hikes for parents with toddlers, seniors, and handicapped hikers would be a great tourist & local draw for Santa Fe County. Also, maintaining a small but accessible building with proper bathrooms, water & information station would be very useful. Please keep the land trust & DO NOT DEVELOP IT, private concerns can do that elsewhere!

Why are you acquiring large tracks of land under these economic circumstances? All right-of-ways that currently exist on this property should remain open. Leave it as it is (right).

Why are you asking? You should have had a plan in place prior to purchase!

Subdivide it and create affordable housing; that way more people that don't deserve it can continue to receive it. Maybe Advantage Asphalt would like it or has Santa Fe County given them too much already! Hey, benefit to the taxpayers \$0, raises for county employees \$0 unless you're related to the former county manager, benefit to the former owner/developer \$7,000,000.00, waste of county funds PRICELESS!!!

Wildlife preserve; wildflower preserve; hiking trails.

You paid \$7 Million (conveniently not mentioned above) for 470 acres without knowing what to do with it? Roman Abeyta should be fired. Oops, too late. At least you gave him a \$30,000 thank you for a job well botched your map gives no clue as to the location of the ranch as it relates to the race track or the Las Golondrinas museum, etc. If the least developed parts of the area are part of the ranch—please don't introduce projects that get the area loaded with roads, concrete, parking lots, etc. I would say that probably means, if there's housing in the plan—it should not be developed like a subdivision!!!! Also, all the ranch that is visible from the west as you come up to the La Bajada be open space.

Youth programs.

Other Suggestions as to How the Land Could Be Used or Protected

VERBATIM RESPONSES

Question 24.: Do you have any other suggestions as to how the land could be used or protected?

No (2)
Sell (2)

Add a zip line for recreational purposes. Include a shrine walk allowing all denominations (Christian, American Indian, Catholic, Muslim, Buddhist, Hindu, New Age, etc.) to participate on a portion of the walk and build a shrine honoring their spiritual beliefs.

AGAIN, THIS SURVEY IS INCOMPLETE, SUPERFICIAL AND BIASED. An interfaith center for Christians, Muslims, Jews, Buddhists and Atheists. As a natural habitat for wildlife and to reintroduce endangered species of small animals/zoo-like set up.

Ask Roman Abeyta since he pushed the purchase. Maybe he had plans for it!

Building should be used for education, visitor center, conferences. Land should be restored and archaeology protected.

Can you get your money back?

Collaborate with state and federal entities to create broader conservation management plans and to link the property with other protected open space.

Community garden!! Renewable energy development!!

Continuing the themes of my first response, what I have almost universally found is that in places with only modest open space resources, residents really wish that they had acted earlier to set more aside. Let's act now to preserve this.

Create a food source for our community; demonstration ranch should be more than demonstration but actually feed the people.

Don't build on it, or build as little as possible and only for educational purposes.

Don't develop it until the economy changes for the better.

Don't overdevelop it. Leave a lot of empty space to retain the essence of the natural vistas and landscapes.

Find out the costs of these various proposed projects before proceeding any further.

Gated communities; random enforcement patrols to promote idea that there is a law enforcement presence.

Gateway Center to the entire La Bajada area with facilities available for community meetings and events.

Have the county commissioners who voted to buy it purchase it themselves! They've put this community and county in a huge demise over it.

Have walking trails for the public.... No personal use such as homes of any kind, a botanical center would be cool. Also a horse sanctuary would be cool.

Hiking/biking trails, overlooks, picnic areas, NO motorized vehicles. I believe the best idea I've heard is a resort/spa, and a movie set. Perhaps a little of both? If a resort/spa was built, what about time share type homes/condos?

I have not seen the property, but I understand that the house and grounds are in sad need of repair. This project should properly be put on hold until there is more disposable money available.

I strongly disagree on the land being used for things like filming, low-income/high income housing, and political gains, anything that is biased in any way. The county needs to think of the public when making a decision on how to use this land.

I suggest that the area be considered for a rangeland restoration experimental area, given that historic grazing has taken a heavy toll on the area's biological integrity.

I think the land needs to be protected by keeping the beautiful view and historic significance as the highest priority.

I think the land should be put back on the market and the seven million dollars back into the SF County's reserve.

If a portion is used for a museum, or visitor's center, another significant portion could be used as a demonstration ranch for sustainable practice. With such a high profile location, a network of trails and an education center will get a lot of attention.

If we have to recoup the \$7,000,000 investment, I think commercial 'rental' office space would be the best option but I prefer to keep the area open for hiking, horseback riding, bike riding, and other low water use recreational opportunities like that. I think it would be a money saver to put the County Courthouse there among other office space and stop paying the monthly fee for nothing in Downtown Santa Fe. It would also be a draw for the office space for attorneys and others doing court business.

Other Suggestions as to How the Land Could Be Used or Protected (continued)

VERBATIM RESPONSES

Question 24 (continued): Do you have any other suggestions as to how the land could be used or protected?

In addition to other usages, the county should provide for a system of motorcycle/ATV trails with modest speed limits to provide a safe, enjoyable family recreational opportunity. These trails may have a few days per month on which they are closed to allow hikers access without noise. The county needs to provide legal, challenging, and interesting areas for us to ride or people will ride elsewhere without the benefit of legality. There is already too much "protected" land.

Isn't this something that should be done prior to purchase?

It could become a research center attached to the Center for Sustainable Technology at the SF Community College. As such, it could feature sustainable agriculture with all of the necessary support structures - production, storage, recycled water, renewable energy. It could also become the home to net carbon negative ranching demonstration which could show all the aspects of sustainable ranching in a publicly educational way. All aspects of sustainable ranching and farming could be featured. It could become the site for a multi-purpose community center: cultural events, arts and crafts education, health services, sport facilities and small commercial services (restaurant/cafe, convenience and farmers outlet) - not unlike Eldorado's center. It would displace activities from La Cienega San Marcos, Cerillos, South Santa Fe.

Keep it natural, wild.

Keep it protected, no housing.

Keep it wild. Any building on it should be completely eco-conscious. That is, cut down no trees and disturb no the land in the building of structures.

Keep Santa Fe from sprawling to La Bajada Mesa. The view shed is more important to me. Subdivisions are appalling, beyond the city.

La Bajada Mesa should be designated as a national monument protecting the Santa Fe River basin and surrounding acreage into perpetuity for all to enjoy. National Monuments yield jobs and enjoyment for all residents and visitors. It will protect what is as valuable as smart development: A conservation community with an infrastructure that is natural and of revelation for all for centuries. A reminder of PLACE.

Leave as open space land.

Leave it alone!

Leaving it as is, with the addition of trails, would be nice.

Left as-is, or sold to private entity.

Look at ways to preserve the heritage of the land and the natural aspects of it without turning it into more Santa Fe County sprawl. Ideas to create learning opportunities such as gardens and museums are good.

Make it part of a larger open space park.

Minimal development except in areas already developed.

NO! NONE WHATSOEVER! MILLIONAIRE PROPERTY.

No, you should have thought about that before you got screwed buying it.

Not right now.

One could do nothing to let the property value take its course and calm down residents who are afraid to have their quiet passage disturbed.

Open Space.

Park, trails.

Perma culture and sustainable ranching are top picks. These could exist with a small-business park if it were very creatively planned. For example, earth-sheltered buildings with green roofs. Transportation that would include a shuttle from the Rail Runner and excellent bus and bike transport back to town. I'm tired of the only option being tourism or special housing. A sustainable work environment demonstration project would be excellent for part of this land.

Planning should be done by a professional planner familiar with sustainable development concepts. The original capital outlay as well as profits should be placed in County coffers.

Please protect our land; we need the earth. Whatever is planned to be there, remember the health of the surrounding community and the beauty of our land and the honor we get to steward it.

Please sell this land and keep valuable county programs intact such as

Maternal Child Health Commission, Indigent Fund, and Mobile Health Van.

Projects to make more water available to the rest of the county.

Protect it. Be the stewards for the future.

Protected as an archeological site. Have archeological studies been done?

Protected open space. Period. This is a central part of our historic and natural heritage.

Protected through restrictive use covenants. No private business should be allowed to profit by conducting commercial activities on property.

Partnership with non-profits organized solely to run the activities; use of volunteers; youth groups; local government employees.

Other Suggestions as to How the Land Could Be Used or Protected (continued)

VERBATIM RESPONSES

Question 24 (continued): Do you have any other suggestions as to how the land could be used or protected?

Put the emphasis on protection, not usage.
Renewable energy. Maybe solar panels!!!
Santa Fe County spent a lot of money purchasing this land. Affordable housing and other programs that can bring money into the county would be beneficial. Spending more money for no return of money is not economically feasible.

See previous written comments.
Sell at least a portion of the property.
Sell it and use the money for something else, like reducing taxes!
Sell it to a foundation or research/medical study organization.
Seven million dollars have already been wasted on its purchase. Whatever its future use, it must not incur any significant further costs in its development, at least not while the financial state of the County is in such a precarious state. Neither should it be used for any commercial venture, seeing as the Commission claim they spent our money to "protect" the ranch from development. Only those projects where a commercial-type venture has a significant benefit to the public should be considered.
SF County needs to do things that benefit all of the citizens of the County and thus plans for the land need to include projects and programs for everyone, thus things like retirement communities and projects for special groups should not be considered.

Should be sold.
Simply leave it as open space -- we don't need more development, particularly commercial endeavors on county owned property.
Subdivided and sold.

Thank you for listening.
The County is already spending/loaning Santa Fe Studios over \$12 million; why would you want to make the ranch into another movie set/studio. It seems like that would be competition to the County funded SFS.

The last thing you want to do with it is to fill it up with more stuff...either put it in a conservation easement, leave it open space, or if you have to develop it at all, use it for future film production projects, please.

The less development, the better. Perhaps stressed species, such as prairie dogs, could establish colonies in a piece of it.

The main idea would be to preserve the "view shed" and to find something that is sustainable for that area that does not also destroy the night sky and

the cultural landscape. Anything that promotes proper and appropriate use of the land seems important.

The SFC Commission should have more carefully considered the use of this property BEFORE voting to purchase it. As there is essentially no water to be had, ANY use of this property requiring minimal water use would be acceptable, but most of those on your list require extensive water use. No clear answer is apparent for this boondoggle!!

There should be public meetings on this project!!

This is redundant! Yes, make it a preserved open space with accessible hiking trails.

This land is a significant part of the Gateway to Santa Fe. As land - by itself - it sets an important tone. If this land is developed, gradually we will lose tourist interest in Santa Fe, because it is all sprawl!

This survey is incomplete and favors the idea that the county 'needs' to make money by 'growing' with total disregard of the realities we and our children and grandchildren are confronted with in an era of chronic economic crisis and the consistent and systematic poisoning of the earth and global warming.

To put new water-using habitations/businesses on one of the county's rare, rich, remaining natural environments would be depressingly short-sighted. Please don't think of using it for another piece of sprawl, an alternative I-25 rest stop, or for any other use that could be served by other (and cheaper) land.

We would support greenhouses if they were non-profit.

Wildlife center.

Wildlife sanctuary.

Wildlife sanctuary.

Wrong question! Don't ask how to "use" this land. That thinking leads to such as another Wal-mart. Ask where and what is the value of this land. Among the best uses would be to leave it alone, as it is. Its greatest value lies in it being there.

You could sell it and use the money for something useful. Of course, you'd never find another sucker to pay \$7 Million for it.

Youth Camp like the CCC for training of youth for labor, farm, carpentry and other "hands-on" skills.

III: QUESTIONNAIRE

Greater La Cienega Area
Land Use Survey

The following survey was designed to solicit information from La Cienega, La Cieneguilla, and La Bajada (defined in this survey as the Greater La Cienega Area) residents for proposed uses of the County-acquired 470 acres of Santa Fe Canyon Ranch. The La Cienega Valley Association and the La Cienega and La Cieneguilla Planning Committee will be working with Santa Fe County to develop a Master Plan that supports Santa Fe County's need to make a return on its investment while preserving as much of the ranch as possible.

The La Cienega La Cieneguilla Traditional Historic Community (THC) has established a Community Plan and Ordinance for the THC. It is the County's goal to ensure that any development of the property fits into the community and the existing La Cienega La Cieneguilla Community Plan and is respectful of the area's rural nature and traditions.

The map on the back of the cover letter provides details on Santa Fe County's property at Santa Fe Canyon Ranch. The development of the property will be focused at the north end of the property close to Entrada La Cienega. All efforts will be made to preserve as much of the property as is economically feasible.

Please fill out the front and back of each page of the survey. Your individual answers will be completely confidential and anonymous

1. What do you like most about living in the Greater La Cienega area?

2. What do you like least about living in the Greater La Cienega area?

3. What types of programs, services, or facilities do you feel are most needed in the Greater La Cienega area?

4. How strongly do you agree or disagree that there is a strong connection to the community among residents who live in Greater La Cienega Area?

☐ 5 Strongly Agree	☐ 4 Agree	☐ 3 Neither Agree nor Disagree	☐ 2 Disagree	☐ 1 Strongly Disagree
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Please rate how much each of the following facilities, services, and programs are either needed or not needed in the Greater La Cienega Area. Please rate each one using a 5-point scale where 5 is greatly needed and 1 is not needed at all.

PLEASE CIRCLE THE RESPONSE THAT BEST REFLECTS YOUR OPINION	Greatly Needed 5	4	3	2	Not Needed At All 1
5. More fire protection	5	4	3	2	1
6. More police services	5	4	3	2	1
7. Hiking trails	5	4	3	2	1
8. Parks and recreation areas	5	4	3	2	1
9. Youth programs	5	4	3	2	1
10. Senior programs	5	4	3	2	1
11. Community center	5	4	3	2	1
12. Entertainment venues	5	4	3	2	1
13. Medical/dental services	5	4	3	2	1
14. ATV (all terrain vehicle) park	5	4	3	2	1
15. BMX (bike) park	5	4	3	2	1

16. The County of Santa Fe recently purchased 470 acres of the Santa Fe Canyon Ranch located south of La Cienega (Please see map for reference). There are many ways in which the 470 acres of Santa Fe Canyon Ranch can be utilized. What do you feel are the most appropriate ways to use this land?

The following questions relate to potential uses for the 470-acre Santa Fe Canyon Ranch land.					
Please rate your level of support or opposition for each of the following features that could be included when developing a Master Plan for the 470-acre Santa Fe Canyon Ranch land using a 5-point scale where 5 is <i>Strongly Support</i> and 1 is <i>Strongly Oppose</i> .					
	Strongly Support 5	4	3	2	Strongly Oppose 1
<i>PLEASE CIRCLE THE RESPONSE THAT BEST REFLECTS YOUR OPINION</i>					
17. Neighborhoods with detached single family homes	5	4	3	2	1
18. Parks	5	4	3	2	1
19. Playing fields (soccer, baseball, etc.)	5	4	3	2	1
20. Walking trails	5	4	3	2	1
21. Ranch Museum	5	4	3	2	1
22. Community gardens	5	4	3	2	1
23. Commercial greenhouses	5	4	3	2	1
24. Indigent (low income) cemetery	5	4	3	2	1
25. Mixed residential housing including higher cost and lower cost housing units	5	4	3	2	1
26. Conservation purposes	5	4	3	2	1

27. Community center that would house senior, youth and other community programs	5	4	3	2	1
28. Open space	5	4	3	2	1
29. Artist studios and galleries	5	4	3	2	1
30. Demonstration farm/ranch	5	4	3	2	1
31. Resort and spa	5	4	3	2	1
32. Botanical garden	5	4	3	2	1
33. Visitors center	5	4	3	2	1
34. Renewable energy projects	5	4	3	2	1
35. Veteran's rehabilitation center	5	4	3	2	1

Please rate your overall level of support or opposition for using some of the 470 acres for the following purposes.					
PLEASE CIRCLE THE RESPONSE THAT BEST REFLECTS YOUR OPINION	Strongly Support 5	4	3	2	Strongly Oppose 1
36. One way some of the land could be used is to build a park and recreation center. In addition to park lands for recreation use, an event center could be designed to host weddings, parties and other public events. Botanical and demonstration gardens could also be included in the park.	5	4	3	2	1
37. Some people have proposed using some of the land to build a retirement community for residents 55 years of age or older. This planned community would feature affordable housing units, clubhouse, and recreational/activities center.	5	4	3	2	1
38. Do you have any other suggestions as to how the land could be used or protected?					

39. How long have you lived in the Greater La Cienega Area?				
☐ 1 5 years or less	☐ 2 6 to 10 years	☐ 3 11 to 20 years	☐ 4 21 years or longer	☐ 5 Do not live in the area

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**Santa Fe County
Land Use Survey**

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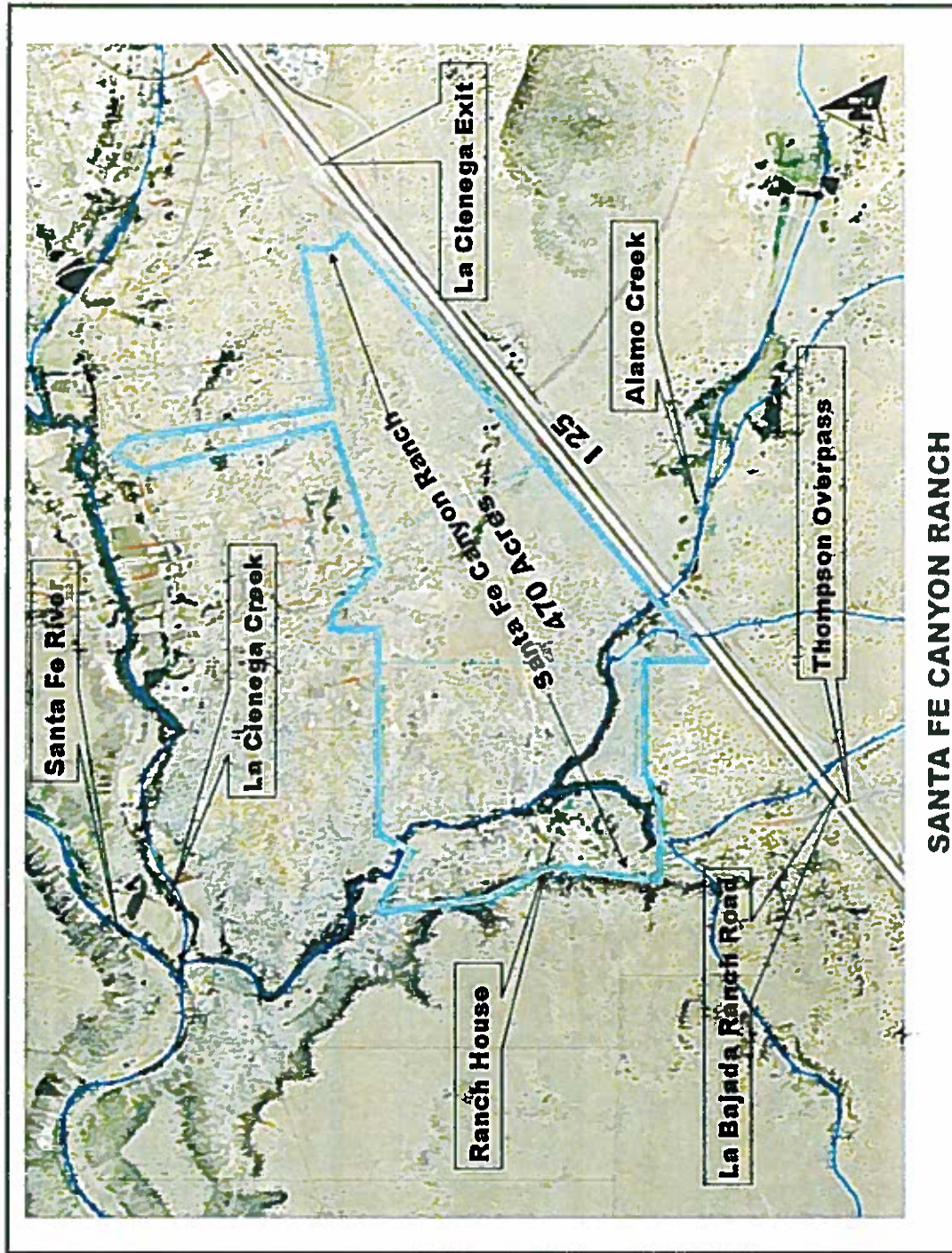
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24. Do you have any other suggestions as to how the land could be used or protected?					

25. What is the zip code at your residence?						
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SANTA FE CANYON RANCH

How Would You Use La Bajada Ranch?

What Types of things would you like to see as part of this development?

Should be part of the development

- energy production - solar, wind, biofuel
- food production - hydroponics, algae, fish
- community farm
- utilize ranch house and grounds:
 - describe local area & ranch area
 - education center/summer camp for kids
 - convention or event center
 - art park
 - archeological museum
- emphasize local self-sufficiency through energy production, food production, employment
- maintain "open land" visual appeal with any type of development, utilize topography
- eco park demonstration park for energy, food, recycling, etc. - include solar, wind power, algae farming
- wide setbacks from existing homes - 500' +
- multi-use trails, pedestrian, horses, etc.
- low density housing, if any
- La Cienega area waste water treatment (could work with LCMDDWA to get grant)
- employment for the community - summer jobs for kids, etc.
- abused horse shelter
- center for therapeutic riding
- workshop spaces for writers, artists etc
- picnic areas
- gated or controlled access to public area - not 24/7 access (front limiting)
- financially self-sustaining, appropriately sized activities
- recreational center for kids, adults, etc with horses or other facilities, ATVs?
- film proposals should be evaluated based on self-sustainability, longevity vs. obsolescence, minimal props or recycled props

Should not be part of the development

- high-density housing
- traditional commercial development
- noise-making activities (especially late or at night), no loud activities
- disturbance of the entrance to Santa Fe visual corridor along highway
- industries or activities that will become obsolete and leave abandoned facilities
- industries or activities that pollute water, air or ground

Might be part of the development

- senior center/activity center
- Camino Real historic center, working with BLM and surround area to include sites - must protect archeological sites from over-visitation and damage
- film industry use, prefer open scenery filming versus studios and lots of sets
- outdoor activities, hiking, sports, etc
- solar PV farm along highway, if it works visually not to ruin view corridor
- indigent /child cemetery

Guidelines developed from an open community forum sponsored by the La Cienega Valley Association and SF County La Cienega/La Cieneguilla Planning Committee

Responses listed by popularity from top down.

La Bajada Ranch, SF County 470 acres 8-17-2011

