

SANTA FE COUNTY

Resolution No. 2001 - 36

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A RESOLUTION ADOPTING "SANTA FE COUNTY WATER UTILITY WATER SUPPLY ACTION PLAN"

WHEREAS, Santa Fe County has established a County Water Utility to provide potable water service to certain areas within the County; and

WHEREAS, the Santa Fe County Water Utility should develop a long-term, sustainable, dependable water supply system for the residents of Santa Fe County; and

WHEREAS, efforts should be made to supply those areas of the County which are experiencing impaired water quality, water supply problems, or significant growth; and

WHEREAS, maintenance of agriculture and traditional land use patterns should be taken into account when making water supply system decisions; and

WHEREAS, on February 15, 2001, the Santa Fe Board of County Commissioners developed a priority list of actions to guide County staff in their water supply work.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners that:

The Board of County Commissioners adopts the attached "Santa Fe County Water Utility Water Supply Action Plan."

APPROVED, ADOPTED AND PASSED this 13th day of March, 2001.



Board of County Commission
[Signature]
Paul Duran, Chairperson

ATTEST

[Signature]
Rebecca Bustamante, County Clerk

Approved as to form:

[Signature]
Steve Kopelman, County Attorney



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COUNTY OF SANTA FE) SS
STATE OF NEW MEXICO)

I hereby certify that this instrument was filed for record on the 14 day of Mar A.D. 20 01 at 4:01 P.m. and was duly recorded in the records of page 983-986

[Signature]
Marella Salza, Deputy

**SANTA FE COUNTY WATER UTILITY
WATER SUPPLY ACTION PLAN**

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GOAL: The Santa Fe County Water Utility should develop a long-term, sustainable, dependable water supply system for the residents of Santa Fe County. Efforts should be made to supply those areas of the County which are experiencing impaired water quality, water supply problems or significant growth. Maintenance of agriculture and traditional land use patterns should be taken into account when making water supply system decisions.

LEVEL 1

Regional Relationships

Partner-ships

Development of a sustainable, dependable water supply for the County of Santa Fe requires a regional approach to water supply management. Working together with other governmental and private entities is the critical factor to achieving regional solutions.

LEVEL 2

San Juan-Chama Water Rights (includes to extend the timeline)

Increasing the availability of San Juan-Chama Water Rights and extending the timeline is the most promising and the most feasible strategy for increasing and protecting available water rights.

LEVEL 3

Establish Diversion Point

Buckman Diversion

San Ildefonso Diversion

Santa Domingo/ Pena Blanca/ Cochiti

Las Campanas Diversion Efforts / Bond Money

A critical decision in water planning is the location(s) of surface water "diversion point(s)" on the Rio Grande.

LEVEL 4

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Wheeling Agreement

The Wheeling Agreement is the compact with the City of Santa Fe under which the city supplies water to the County water system. This item is a high priority because this is the most likely and feasible continued supply and the City of Santa Fe is a key partner in developing a sustainable water supply.

LEVEL 5

40-Year Water Plan

The development of a 40-year water plan gives the County a mechanism to acquire and "bank" water rights for future use. Without a 40-year water plan in place, water rights which are acquired will be subject to being put to beneficial use or they will be lost.

LEVEL 6

Investigate Innovative
Water Conservation
Strategies

Evaluate Aquifer Storage
and Recovery

Evaluate Effluent Re-Use

La Cienega

These items are also key aspects of effective water management which is an important element of the "40-Year Water Plan." If we can receive return flow credit through effective management of wastewater, we will be able to withdraw/divert larger volumes of potable water. If we can find a way to effectively store water in the aquifer, we will be able to put water into the aquifer during times of plentiful water supply and withdraw it during times of drought.

LEVEL 7

Jemez y Sangre Regional
Planning Effort

This is the regional water planning effort for our area. It is critical that the County participate so that the values and desires of County residents can be considered in the planning process.

LEVEL 8	LEVEL 9	LEVEL 10	LEVEL 11
Hagerman Well	Pen Water	Valle Vista	Las Campanas Water Distribution System

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Part of the reason for the lower priority of these four items is that they have already received considerable staff time and will not take too much longer to complete. These are also smaller projects than those listed higher up on the priority list.