

SANTA FE COUNTY

Resolution No. 2008 - 6

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF STATE AND FEDERAL AGENCIES PROVIDING PROPERTY OWNERS NOTICE OF THEIR INTENT TO LEASE MINERAL RIGHTS

WHEREAS, the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920 authorizes and governs leasing of public lands for developing deposits of coal, phosphates, oil, gas and other hydrocarbons and sodium; and

WHEREAS, the possibility of oil and gas development in the Galisteo Basin within Santa Fe County has caused many worried landowners to question who owns the mineral rights under their properties; and

WHEREAS, New Mexico (the New Mexico State Land Office) and the United States (the United States Department of Interior, Bureau of Land Management and the United State Department of Agriculture, Forest Service) lease mineral rights in New Mexico; and

WHEREAS, the Bureau of Land Management alone owns 516,735 acres of mineral rights in Santa Fe County.

WHEREAS, only minimal notice is provided to the public on sales and leasing programs; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of Santa Fe County supports the following:

It requests that public owners of mineral interests in Santa Fe County notify surface owners within five miles of the proposed site of a potential lease or sale of their mineral interests ninety days before offering their interests for sale or lease.



COUNTY OF SANTA FE)
STATE OF NEW MEXICO) ss

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I Hereby Certify That This Instrument Was Filed for
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And Was Duly Recorded as Instrument # 1513869
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Deputy *Marcella [Signature]* Witness My Hand And Seal Of Office
Valerie Espinoza
County Clerk, Santa Fe, NM

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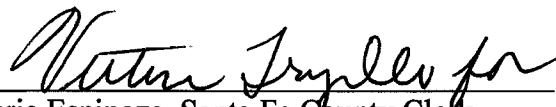
PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 29th DAY OF JANUARY, 2008.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS3



Jack Sullivan, Chairman

ATTEST:



Valerie Espinoza, Santa Fe County Clerk



APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Stephen C. Ross, Santa Fe County Attorney