

Greetings from the office of
County Commissioner Anna Hansen



Dear Friends,

Wishing you a festival fall. It has been a busy and HOT summer. I love the cool nights and mornings that have arrived.

I am thrilled that we passed the amendment to the Sustainable Land Development Code to reinstate Chapter 11 Development of County Wide Impacts on Hard Rock Mining. I was honored to bring forward resolutions on the Climate Strike - see you tomorrow, Friday, September 20, at the Roundhouse - and the Food Depot's Neighbor to Neighbor Food Drive - last day to donate is Saturday, September 21. The City challenged us to see who could bring in the most food. Last year we were first in our category! I also have a drop off location at my home in Casa Alegre. Please donate what you can - food insecurity is real and alive in our community.

I look forward to hearing from you and hope to see you at my next Coffee and Tea Under the Trees event on Saturday, September 28, from 10:30 to noon at Reunity Resources Community Farm in Agua Fria Village.

The photo above is of the corn I grew in my backyard. I also have many big Hubbard squashes. They are all growing great because of my own compost. It's easy! Contact our Sustainability Office for guidance on [creating your own compost](#).

Upcoming Events

Tomorrow, Friday, Sept. 20, at 11:30 a.m.

Climate Strike Rally at the Roundhouse



Mobilize with thousands of youth and adult allies from across New Mexico to demand immediate action on climate change. Our local event, organized by the Youth United for Climate Crisis Action (YUCCA) and Earth Care, is one of thousands taking place across the world on Saturday, September 20, 2019, and begins with a convergence on the Roundhouse at 11:30 a.m. The Santa Fe County Board of County Commissioners supported this event unanimously at our last meeting. For more information, visit <https://globalclimatestrike.net/>.

Tomorrow, Friday, Sept. 20, at 7:

Movie Night at Romero Park!

Join us for movie night at Romero Park tomorrow! Santa Fe County Open Space and Trails, in partnership with the City of Santa Fe Southside Summer Series, will be showing "Spider-man: Into the Spiderverse" at sunset (around 7:00 p.m.).

The event begins at 6 p.m. Enjoy free popcorn, candy and refreshments provided by the City of Santa Fe Parks and Recreation Department. Bring a blanket or chair and enjoy a fun night at one of our favorite parks. There will be food trucks and games. Hope to see you there!



Saturday, Sept. 28, at 10:30 a.m.:
Coffee and Tea Under the Trees



Thank you to everyone who came out to my first Coffee and Tea Under the Trees event on August 31. It was delightful to sit with you and hear your insights and ideas as well as concerns.

I am so pleased to announce that the second Coffee and Tea Under the Trees event will be held on Saturday, September 28, at 10:30 a.m. at [Reunity Resources Community Farm](#), 1829 San Ysidro Crossing. Coffee will be available for purchase from 101 Coffee. I will bring hot tea and light snacks. This is a waste-free event; please bring your re-usable coffee mug! See you at the farm!

September – December 2019
Small Farm & Ranch Sustainability Series

Santa Fe County, in partnership with New Mexico State University's Cooperative Extension Service, is presenting a workshop titled Small Farm & Ranch Sustainability Series 2019. Workshops are held every other Thursday evening and Saturday morning from September 28 through December 5 at the Large Annex on the Santa Fe County Fairgrounds, 3229 Rodeo Road, Santa Fe. Workshops are \$10.00 each. To register, email Tom Dominguez at tdomingu@nmsu.edu or call 505-471-4711. For more information and for workshop topics, [check out this flyer](#).



Photo by Daniel E. Fresquez / Media Coordinator

Commissioners pose with supporters of the unanimously approved resolution supporting the declaration of a Climate Emergency and participation in the September 20th Climate Strike and Week of Disruption.

Legislation and Calls to Action

Below is a list of resolutions that I brought forward for approval to the Board of County Commissioners:

[Resolution 2019-111](#) endorses the Declaration of a Climate Emergency, Joins the Global Climate Strike, and Requests Regional Collaboration on an Immediate Just Transition and Emergency Mobilization Effort to Restore a Safe Climate. This resolution was presented to me for sponsorship by Lucy Foma, Community Planner, and I was thrilled to bring it forward with my fellow Commissioner Ed Moreno. A number of concerned constituents spoke in support of the resolution (as pictured in the above photograph) and it was approved unanimously at our September 10th Board of County Commissioner's meeting. The resolution calls for [various actions](#) to be taken to combat climate disruption and begins with a rally at the Roundhouse on Friday, September 20, 2019, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. I encourage all of you to attend this event and participate in this movement.

[Resolution 2019-104](#) supports the Eighth Annual Neighbor to Neighbor Food Drive in Coordination with the City of Santa Fe and the Food Depot and Authorizes the Use of County Facilities for the Collection of Non-Perishable Food Donations. With this resolution, the County is once again organizing internally and with our constituents to collect non-perishable food items for donation to The Food Depot. The effort continues through Saturday, September 21, so it is not too late to help! Visit [The Food Depot](#) to learn where and how to donate!

[Ordinance 2019-2](#) amends the Sustainable Land Development Code (SLDC), Ordinance 2016-9, and reinstates Chapter 11 (Developments of Countywide Impact). Leah Cantor of The Reporter wrote, "The ordinance overhauls antiquated mining laws and creates the first standardized regulatory procedure for evaluating new mining activities on federal lands in the county. The new regulations give the county greater oversight over proposed projects, enhance environmental protections and establish a standard procedure for applying regulations to all future mining activities that fall into the category of 'Developments of Countywide Impact,' which include both hard rock mining and sand and gravel mines."

T.S. Last of the Albuquerque Journal wrote, "Applicants for large-scale sand and gravel and hardrock mining operations must provide a background report that includes information about stockholders' holdings, subsidiaries, previously owned and operated projects, and any enforcement action against them. They must also submit a sampling and analysis plan that describes the location, geology and ecology at the site, and methods to be used. There must also be a technical and financial feasibility assessment, including an estimate of reclamation costs and schedules.

News from



I am so honored to join the National Association of Counties' leadership team as the Vice Chair of the Environment, Energy and Land Use Steering Committee for Air Quality and to serve on the following NACo committees:

- Arts and Culture Commission
- Healthy Counties Initiative Advisory Board
- RAC Steering Committee
- Resilient Counties Advisory Board

These appointments present a great opportunity to connect with other county commissioners and officials and discuss issues that pertain to Santa Fe County in a larger, national forum. If there is a specific issue that you would like me to consider, please [email Sara Smith, my Constituent Services Liaison](#).

Movement on the DOE Order 140.1

At their annual conference, NACo's Environment, Energy and Land Use Steering Committee unanimously approved the [resolution](#) I presented requesting the Department of Energy rescind or substantially revise Order 140.1 to remove restrictions on the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board.

I presented to the Radioactive & Hazardous Waste Interim Legislative Committee about the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board on Friday, August 23, 2019.



I had the pleasure of attending the ribbon-cutting ceremony and grand opening celebration of the David Jay Henderson Pavilion with Senator Tom Udall on Tuesday, August 6. The pavilion is located at the Randall Davey Audubon Center & Sanctuary on Upper Canyon Road.

Sustainability Corner

Did you know that recycling within Santa Fe County is now being processed locally at the [Buckman Road Recycling and Transfer Station \(BuRRT\)](#)? As a result, our community is reducing carbon emissions from the transportation of our recycled material. The 25% 'contaminated' recycling content can go straight to burial in our regional landfill without the Albuquerque-and-back haul. What can you do to help these efforts? When you're not sure whether something is recyclable or not- [visit our website](#), [contact us](#), or toss it! **Yep - when in doubt, throw it out!**



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