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Date: Wednesday, September 14, 2022

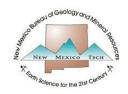
Time: 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.

Location: La Cienega Community Center

136 Camino San Jose, Santa Fe, NM 87507

## Purpose:

- Introduce La Cienega Domestic Well Program Planning Project
- Meet the team
- Gather feedback to inform the project's future phases and public outreach methods







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#### Join Us!

You are invited to a La Cienega Domestic Well Program Planning project introduction and open house, to be held from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 14, 2022 at the La Cienega Community Center (136 Camino San Jose, Santa Fe, NM 87507).

At this open house, Daniel B. Stephens & Associates, Inc. (DBS&A), the New Mexico Bureau of Geology and Mineral Resources (NMBGMR), and staff from the Santa Fe County Sustainability Office will introduce ourselves and the project. Feedback received in response to this event will be used to inform the project's future phases and public outreach methods.

#### **Project Background**

Santa Fe County has an existing domestic well management program; however, staff resources and well owner engagement have been limited to date. The objectives of the current project are to understand the area's groundwater levels and trends, identify the existing requirements that apply to different wells in the planning area, estimate current and project future water demand, solicit community member involvement in the project and input on the best methods for obtaining water use data, and develop recommendations for how to improve the existing well management program.

#### What's Next?

Initial project tasks include preparing a map showing the land parcels and existing wells located within the La Cienega and La Cieneguilla planning area, summarizing the area's hydrogeologic setting, reviewing Santa Fe County ordinance 2002-9 and the 2016 Sustainable Land Development Code (SLDC) to identify which plats their respective requirements apply to, and gathering available water level and metered pumping data for existing domestic wells in the area.

As the domestic well monitoring program is developed and domestic well information are obtained, water demand projections for the planning area will be refined. The County will work with the community to evaluate whether the projections reflect desired future conditions. Depending on the current project's findings, water conservation goals, enforcement of existing requirements, new ordinances, and/or other programs may be recommended.

### We hope to see you at this event!

Please contact Amy Ewing with DBS&A (505-822-9400; aewing@geo-logic.com) or Jacqueline Beam with Santa Fe County (505-992-9832; jybeam@santafecountynm.gov) with any questions.





