



Santa Fe County Capital Planning Process

Fiscal Year (FY) 2028-2032

**Infrastructure Capital
Improvement Plan**



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Presentation Overview

- **Overview of capital projects**
- **Overview of Santa Fe County's Capital Planning Process (Resolution No. 2019-103) for FY 2028-2032 (Focused on the 2027 Legislative Session)**
 - County's annual update of the five-year Infrastructure Capital Improvement Plan (ICIP)
 - How to request
 - Review and scoring
 - Prioritization and budget
- **Overview from County Staff:**
 - FY27-FY31 Story Map (GIS) – Valerie Rangel
 - Open Space and Trails – Adeline Murthy
 - Water – Andrew Harden
 - Transportation – Marvelous Echeng
 - Sustainable Growth Management Plan (SGMP) – Herbert Foster
 - Senior Services – Mattie Byers
 - Q&A

Capital Projects

- The purpose of a capital project should be to meet the level of services (LOS) expected in the community by providing a **new fixed asset** or by **enhancing an existing fixed asset**.
 - The County's Sustainable Growth Management Plan (SGMP) Resolution No. 2015-155 adopted the level of services (LOS) for adequate public facilities within county (for trails, public safety, etc.)
- **Examples of Capital Projects in SFC:**
 - Senior Center, Community Center and volunteer fire station facility in Cerrillos HWY 14;
 - Bennie J. Chavez Senior Center
 - Glorietta Village Collection System (Wastewater)
 - CR-54: Los Pinos Road Arroyo Hondo – All Weather Crossing;
 - Santa Fe Trail Rail Segment 6

Capital Projects:

Acquisition, construction, or improvement/renovation of long-term publicly-owned assets (i.e. infrastructure)

Cost greater than \$10,000 and life expectancy of at least 10 years;

Clear scope of work (new systems, repairs): Housing, economic development projects, transportation, community facilities, public safety, land, water, etc.

Good cost estimates;

Purpose and Justification;

Realistic timeline;

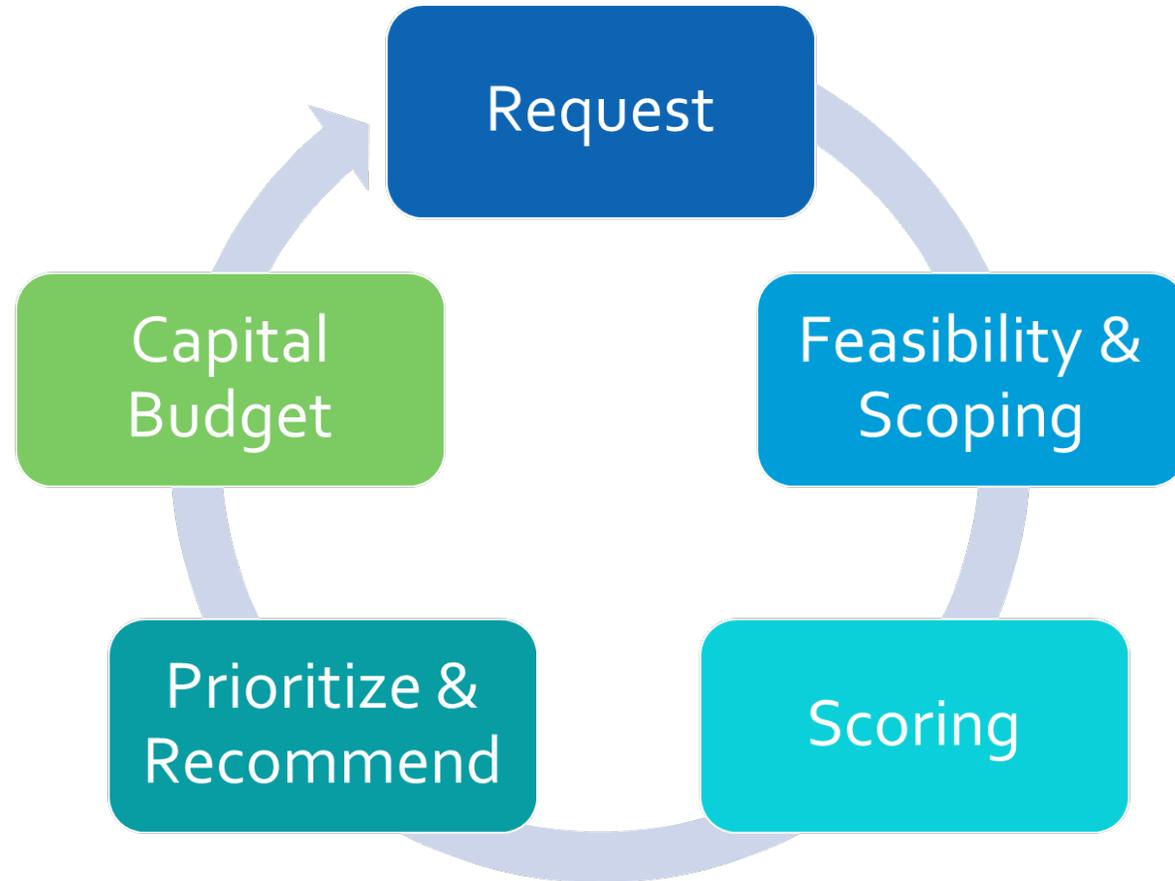
Identify potential funding sources (critical)

Infrastructure Capital Improvement Plan (ICIP)

- The 5-Year ICIP is the beginning of a successfully completed capital project (planning FY28-FY32, 2027 Legislative Session)
- The ICIP is a plan that establishes priorities for anticipated capital projects. It is not:
 - A funding application or a funding source
- Though it is not a funding source, it includes information in each project for funding opportunities from the state
 - It provides an opportunity for communities to assist and assess critical needs
- ICIP helps to align with the County's long-term vision and strategic goals/plans as well as funding sources.
 - [Santa Fe County Strategic Plan](#)
- FY28-FY32 deadline: **July 1, 2026** (General ICIP and Senior Services)
- [FY 2027-2031 ICIP \(Resolution No. 2026-018\)](#)

Santa Fe County's Capital Planning Process

- Resolution No. 2019-103 establishes a transparent process
- ICIP submitted to the New Mexico Department of Finance and Administration (DFA)
 - **Online viewing:**
<https://www.nmdfa.state.nm.us/dfa-dashboards/infrastructure-capital-improvement-plan-icip-dashboard/>
 - <https://www.santafecountynm.gov/growth-management/planning/capital-planning>



How are Requests Submitted?

- Continuous process
- Accepted 365 days of the year
 - The County submits per Fiscal Year
- Constituents,
- County Staff,
- Commissioners / Legislators,
- Non-profit and other organizations
- **Capital Project Request Form or staff directly**
 - Website:
<https://www.santafecountynm.gov/growth-management/planning/capital-planning>



Santa Fe County
Capital Project Request Form



Project Name:							
Project Location:							
Requestor Name:			Phone Number:				
Address:			Email Address:				
Project Type: (Road, building, park, etc.)			Total Project Cost:		\$		
			Total Funds Requested:		\$		
Project Description: Please describe the project details including the type of project, size, equipment/furniture needed and location.							
Project Benefits: Please describe the need for the project, public benefits, and any urgent issues. Please explain how the project will improve existing conditions.							
Project Readiness: Please describe if and how the project is part of a planning process/approved planning document or ongoing project and when construction can start.							
Project Cost Details (Planning, Design, Land Acquisition, Construction)		Project Cost per Fiscal Year					
		2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	Total
Planning / Design / Land Purchase		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Construction		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Other Funding Source: Will requested funds be used with other funding? If yes, please describe amount and source of funding.							
Fiscal Impact		Operational Cost per Year					5 year Average
		Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	
Operations & Maintenance		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$

- Project requests are currently for the FY 28-32 ICIP cycle and potential capital outlay funding during the 2027 Legislative session.
- Request form found online: <https://www.santafecountynm.gov/growth-management/planning/capital-planning>
- Additional instructions to be added into form



Community Outreach Key Points

- Key part of capital projects process is community-wide outreach. Accepts new ideas, ensures goals of community development, community services, and improve services to foster safe/healthy communities.
- Goal is to avoid placing undue burden on the SFC operational budget.
- This means, SFC may serve as a fiscal agent but SFC will not assume ownership of the capital improvement
- Any support that is provided to non-profits falls within the limits of the anti-donation clause in the State Constitution (Article IX, Section 14). Goal of this is increased transparency.
- The capital item belongs to the County which centralizes the management of capital projects
 - Special conditions must be satisfied and concurred with by the NM Department of Finance and Administration (DFA), and the county will manage the funds

How are Projects Reviewed?

- **Capital Planning Core Committee** members: Subject Matter Experts from: Manager's Office, Public Works, Growth Management, and Community Development, Community Services, Departments – meets quarterly to rank and prioritize. Voting and non-voting members.
- **Monthly Scoping Committee** meetings:
 - Smaller group from above but same key experts/director or manager-level staff
 - Reviews all projects submitted against Strategic Plan's Four County Goals
 - Reviews if projects meets these goals, funding needs, basic/essential needs, etc.
 - If a project is determined unfeasible, we will reach out to discuss
- If the priority project is within the 5-year window, Subject Matter Expert is assigned by the Core Committee and will team up with the requestor (Scoping Committee) to enter the project into the 5-year Capital Plan Database and further define the relevant data, project costs, fiscal impacts, etc. on a Scoping Form.
- Active projects, funding gaps, and projects of basic/essential need
- **Strategic Plan Goals**
 1. To Provide a Safe Community.
 2. Promote a Sustainable and Equitable Community.
 3. Support a Healthy Community.
 4. Be a Highly Skilled, Collaborative, Proficient, Transparent and Accessible Govt.

Scoring

- Projects are internally evaluated against how well they meet each, or the four County Goals and their feasibility: Healthy Community, Sustainable Community, Safe Community, Accessible Government
- Highest scoring for:
 - **Projects with a funding source/require funding to close gap**
 - **Basic/Essential Needs:** Includes all projects that meet an essential and critical (often immediate) need for the County. This may include but is not limited to infrastructure projects that support: critical health, safety, welfare needs and services.

Next Steps and Key Dates

- SFC’s ICIP (ICIP and Senior Services) will be submitted o/a the **July 1, 2026** deadline
- An update on SFC’s capital planning process to be shared at the **March 31, 2026 BCC meeting**
 - Public hearing: opportunity for public comment, recorded online
- **Additional engagement at the BCC in May and June 2026**; the ICIP will be adopted by resolution in June 2026.
 - The ICIP is submitted to the DFA to be considered for capital outlay funding by the NM Legislature and Governor.

Budget



Capital Projects receive:

Capital Outlay Funds

Federal Awards

State Awards

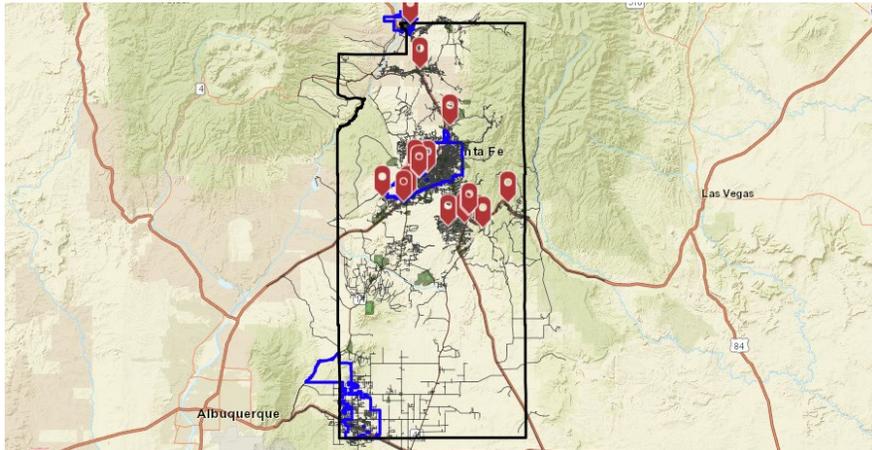
County Sources (¼ Capital Outlay, Gross Receipt Tax (GRT), Impact Fees, Bonds – General Obligation Bond, State/Federal Grants)



Core Committee and Finance helps identify priority projects for federal and state funding and funding from county sources for the Budget.



Capital Budget presented by Finance Division and approved/modified by BCC



Santa Fe County ICIP Projects Story Map

GIS Senior Planner, Valerie
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<https://sfcomaps.santafecountynm.gov/mapsvc/apps/storymaps/stories/4366b3a507f54827891a6e5fef5633be>



Open Space and Trails Planning

- **Vision:** Santa Fe County's Open Space, Trails and Parks Program sustainably manages and conserves a vibrant network of cultural, historical, recreational and natural community resources that inspire a deep sense of regional identity and stewardship among current and future generations.
- **21 open space properties**
- **9,400 acres**
- **4 regional trails**
- **70 miles of trail**
- **19 parks**



Completed Projects in the ICIP

- Nicholas Sanchez Park
- Galisteo Community Center Park Shade Structure
- Trail Reroute at Little Tesuque Creek Open Space
- Avenida Azul Trail (design)

Funded/In-Progress ICIP Projects

- Rail Trail from Spur Ranch Rd to US 285
- Rail Trail from US 285 to Lamy (design)
- Rio en Medio Open Space Restoration and Flood Mitigation
- Turquoise Trail Extension
- Avenida Azul Trail (construction)



Upcoming Projects in the ICIP

- Santa Fe River Trail from Caja Del Oro to Cottonwood Drive (design and acquisition)
- Rail Trail from US 285 to Lamy (construction)
- Thornton Ranch Open Space Trails
- Arroyo Hondo Trail from Turquoise Trail Subdivision to NM 599 Rail Runner Station (construction)
- Romero Park Phase III Improvements
- San Pedro Open Space Trail Design and Construction





Water Planning

- The County's Water Planning Program assists in developing & coordinating County projects and activities for supporting sustainable water & wastewater management and regional collaboration. Projects follow a holistic 'whole of basin' approach that protecting & restoring water resources depends on a healthy watershed.
 - This requires engaging & supporting multiple stakeholders. ICIP water sector projects that include substantial public consultation are typically managed by County Planners.
- **Community outreach includes:**
 - La Cienega La Cieneguilla Preliminary Engineering Report (PER) to provide recommendations for recharging the aquifer and restoring the springs

Transportation Planning: Current ICIP Capital Projects

- Santa Fe County's Transportation Program provides and maintains high-quality transportation facilities and amenities for communities. The program follows an approach of planning, design, and construction with programs and policies that reflect stakeholder partnerships and constituent collaboration. **Current projects include:**
 - CR 113 Low Water Crossing
 - CR84 at Arroyo Del Rancho (all weather crossing)
 - San Ysidro Crossing ROW (design and construction)
 - Henry Lynch Road & roundabout
 - Santa Fe River Trail: Section D
 - Yellow Bird Road and Encantado Road
 - Eldorado Road Improvements
 - ...and more!

Future Projects – Transportation

- Avenida Vista Grande bridge Rehab
- Village of Galisteo Monument Signs
- Tesuque Village Core Complete Streets
- Tesuque Welcome Signs
- La Bajada Ranch - Preliminary Engineering Report (PER)
- Rancho Viejo Bike Lanes
- A Va Nu Po (Bike Lanes & Walking Path)
- Bishops Lodge Complete Streets
- General Goodwin Road

2015 Santa Fe County Sustainable Growth Management Plan (SGMP)



Santa Fe County General Plan

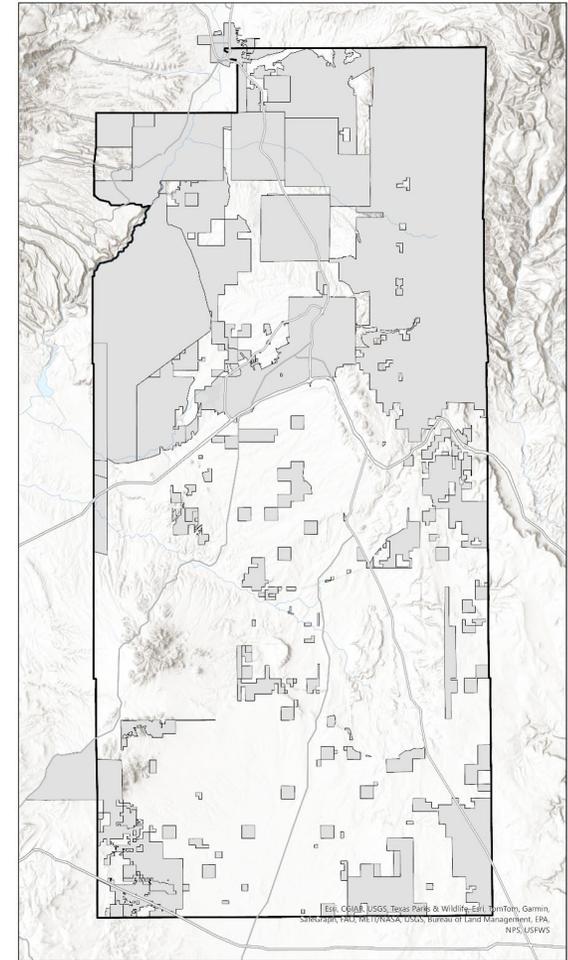
Adopted by the Board of County Commissioners by Resolution 2015-155

Community Planning and the SGMP

- Long range land use plan
- Development policies
- Adopted in 2010 & revised in 2015
- “General plan”

Community Planning & SGMP

- Emerging issues & opportunities
- Existing & future land use plan
- Goals, strategies, actions
- Development policies
- Official maps



Senior Services – ICIP and Completed Projects

- Some Senior Services capital projects to be submitted into Santa Fe County general ICIP FY 2028-2032
- **Completed Projects:**
 - Abedon Lopez Senior Center
 - Bennie J. Chavez Senior Center
- **In Progress:**
 - Cerrillos Senior Center

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