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SANDOVAL COUNTY

AQUIFER WATER PROTECTION &
OIL AND GAS CITIZENS WORKING GROUP

Objective
Preservation and protection of drinking water aquifers, groundwater, and surface water and development of a county oil and gas ordinance

Participants

Independent Leader (non-voting):
Donald T. Phillips (Pending)
Writer/Author
Geologist (BS, MS); Oil and Gas Exploration (Mobil Oil, Tenneco Inc., CNG Producing Co.)
Former 3-term mayor, Fairview, Texas

Members (Voting):

Algodones: John Arango
Former Chairman, Sandoval County, Planning & Zoning Commission
20 years’ experience in Sandoval County Ordinance process

Bernalillo: Phoebe Suina
Environmental Engineering & Management (BA, MA, Dartmouth)
Environmental Management (MA; Dartmouth)
Owner, High Water Mark (Environmental Consulting Company)

Cochiti Lake: David Craig
Computer Science (BS), 34 years professional programming experience
Chairman, Cochiti Lake Zoning Board

Corrales: Mary Feldblum
PhD in Sociology and Economics
Former Chair Corrales Planning and Zoning Commission
Has worked in policy issues for over 3 decades at state and local levels, including expertise in oil and gas issues. Consultant for the Oil and Gas Accountability Project (OGAP)

Cuba: Aparcio C. Herrera, Jr.
BS in Business (UNM)
Chairman, Sandoval County Planning & Zoning Commission
Owner, The Copper Mug, Cuba, NM; former O&G field pumper

La Madera: Bill Deaton
Chemical Engineer (MS)
Math and Economics (BA)
Executive MBA (Stanford)

Placitas: Bill Brown
Geologist (BS, MS, UNM)
Professional hydrologist (investigation and cleanup of soil/groundwater hydrocarbons)
Owner, Brown Environmental, Inc.
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Pueblo: Myron Armijo
Former Governor, Santa Ana Pueblo; Chairman, Southern Sandoval Investments, Ltd.
Tribal Liaison, NM Office of the State Engineer, Interstate Stream Commission

Pueblo: Derrick Lente
Attorney
New Mexico State Representative, District 65
Represents Pueblos (Cochiti, Jemez, Sandia, San Felipe, Santa Ana, Santo Domingo, Zia)
Navajo Tri-Chapter and Jicarilla Apache

Navajo Tri-Chapter Rep: To be named [Pending]

Rio Rancho: Edward Paulsgrove
Geologist (BS)
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Geotechnical and Environmental Divisions)
U.S. Army Paratrooper (509 Airborne combat infantry)

County Support Liaisons (non-voting): • Peter Adang (Planning and Zoning Commissioner)
• Keith Brown (Planning and Zoning Commissioner)

Participation
• Maximum citizen participation
• Each member is encouraged to contact interested citizens and solicit input from their area
• A call for papers from interested Sandoval County citizens
• Pueblo and Navajo members are citizen representatives only and do not in any way reflect individual tribal government decisions or formal communications with the Sandoval County government

Technical/Scientific Reviews
• Sandoval County commissioned New Mexico Tech Study
• Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Advisory Board commissioned aquifer study
• Other pertinent studies
• Experts invited to present (O&G, Environmental, Water, Legal, Health, etc.)

Consultation and Coordination with Other Governments
All local governments in:
• Sandoval County
• Bernalillo County
• Valencia County
• All Pueblo Nations
• Navajo, Jicarilla Apache

End Product
• Present a joint recommendation for action directly to the Sandoval County Commissioners
• Produce a comprehensive oil and gas ordinance directly to the Sandoval County Commissioners that includes aquifer source water, groundwater, and surface water protection.

Recommended Timeline
• Four months

Operating Guidelines
• Meeting times, frequency, other details, etc. to be set by CWG members (Provided to SCC)
• Full meeting agendas posted 72 hours in advance
• Public invited to attend with structured open comment
• Progress updates to SCC prior to every regularly scheduled county commission meeting