

Jemez y Sangre Water Planning Council Meeting Notes
February 9, 2004

Attendees: Bob Vocke, Amy Lewis, David Groenfeldt, Conci Bokum, Alan Jager, Sigmond Silber, Edith Pierpont, Paul Paryski, Gavin Strathdee, Walt Chapman, Bill LeMay, Syd Lumbers, Don Dayton, Jeffrey Lyon, Jason Garcia, Maxine Ewankow, John Brown, Roy Stoesz, Stephen Wust, Dina Chavez, and Charlie Nylander attended the JyS Water Planning Council monthly meeting.

The next JyS monthly meeting will be March 8, 2004 in Santa Fe.

1. David Groenfeldt (Education subcommittee) reported that ongoing education-related activities of the Council include:

- Participating in the OSE WaterWise Development initiative;
- Participating in the ongoing NM legislative session (e.g., domestic wells and water harvesting);
- Participating in the EBTAG (their Annual Workshop is March 2-3 in Santa Fe);
- Co-sponsoring the Cloud Seeding Workshop; and
- Ongoing efforts of individual Council members (e.g., City of Santa Fe and County of Santa Fe).

Bob Vocke agreed to assume chair responsibilities for the subcommittee. **Council members agreed to make a brief presentation of their ongoing educational efforts during the Council's March 8th meeting.**

2. Paul Paryski and Conci Bokum (Legislation subcommittee) reviewed potential water-related legislation and the following points were made:

- The Council provided endorsement of the CMA-related domestic well legislation and the water harvesting legislation;
- Passage of the domestic well legislation looks promising;
- Passage of the water harvesting legislation looks unlikely;
- Passage of the strategic river reserve legislation looks unlikely; and
- The water user fee legislation is dead.

3. The following points were made during Growth Management subcommittee discussions:

- Council chairs continue to look for experts to review the Council's growth management documents; and
- Conci will provide names of potential reviewers.

4. Conci Bokum (State Water Plan subcommittee) reported that OSE/ISC are taking comments on the SWP, which is a living document. The Council also noted Section C.14 of the SWP "Promote collaboration with and strategic focusing of the research and development of the state's national laboratories and research institutions to address the state's water challenges and to bring to the state demonstration projects in desalination, conservation, watershed restoration, weather modification and other technological

approaches to enhancing water supply and management.” The Council is pursuing this collaboration and an initial expression of interest has been made to OSE/ISC.

5. Sig Silber (New and Expanded Water Technologies subcommittee) provided and discussed the attached materials from the Cloud Seeding Workshop (January 22-23, 2004 in Santa Fe).

6. Amy Lewis and Bob Vocke (Measuring Status) reported that preparation of the report card is being delayed until a funding source can be located. This effort is associated with the Education subcommittee.

7. Paul Paryski (Governor’s Blue Ribbon Water Task Force) reported that the Task Force has been focusing on the current legislative session (especially resources for ISC/OSE). The BRWTF drafted its agenda for the coming year during its January 28-29 meeting in Santa Fe. The Task Force will issue its annual report to the Governor in a few days.

8. Bob Vocke (Sustainable Management of Groundwater Resources and Critical Management Areas implementation project) reported that the EBTAG annual workshop would be held in Santa Fe (March 2-3, 2003).

9. Charlie Nylander (Los Alamos National Laboratory) reviewed establishment of a Water Research Technical Assistance Office with the Council (see attached paper). The Council agreed to send a letter of endorsement for the Technical Assistance Office to the Laboratory Director.