

SOCORRO COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSION
RESOLUTION №. 2012-33

A RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT AND COLLABORATE WITH
NEW MEXICO RESTORATION PRODUCTS FOR 2012 FOREST RESTORATION PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners met in a regularly scheduled meeting on November 22, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. at the at the Socorro County Annex Building, 198 Neel Ave., Socorro, New Mexico 87801; and,

WHEREAS, NMSA 1978, Section 4-37-1 (1995) states Counties have “those powers necessary and proper to provide for the safety, preserve the health, promote the prosperity and improve the morals, order, comfort and convenience of [the] county or its inhabitants”; and,

WHEREAS, New Mexico Forest Restoration Products (NMFRP) is requesting funding from the USDA Forest Service 2012 Collaborative Forest Restoration Program to purchase milling and wood yard equipment for their sawmill near Magdalena, New Mexico, in Socorro County; and

WHEREAS, this purchase will increase the processing rates of small-diameter trees, add value to small diameter trees, reduce tree waste and retain jobs in the Magdalena area; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature has found that “it is in the best interest of the state, municipalities and counties to encourage local or regional solutions to economic development”, *See*, NMSA 1978, Section 5-10-2 (2007);

WHEREAS, this project will ensure the retention of eight full-time jobs and create six to seven new full-time jobs; and

WHEREAS, the contract for harvesting ponderosa pine on US Forest Service land in the San Mateo Mountains, the trees to be utilized by this equipment, is currently held by the Alamo Navajo School board Natural Resources department located in Socorro County; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature with the adoption of NMSA 1978, Section 4-36-11 (2001) declared “a disaster within those areas of the national forests of New Mexico that suffered severe fire damage, [], where large amounts of forest undergrowth have created the potential for damaging fires in the future; and,


WHEREAS, this project will add capacity to the region for increased hazardous fuels reduction, forest fire prevention and forest restoration treatments by increasing utilization and value of small diameter trees; and

WHEREAS, a multi-party monitoring team of project partners, including students from Magdalena Schools and Future Farmers of America, will be involved in collecting and analyzing socio-economic and ecological monitoring data;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Socorro County Board of County Commission supports a collaborative partnership between Socorro County and New Mexico Forest Restoration Products for the proposed Collaborative Forest Restoration Program project to increase sawmill production and processing of small-diameter trees in Socorro County.

APPROVED, ADOPTED, AND PASSED on this 4th day of February, 2012.

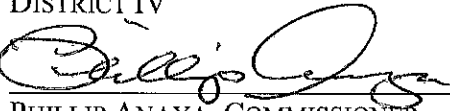
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DANIEL P. MONETTE, CHAIR
DISTRICT IV

Absent

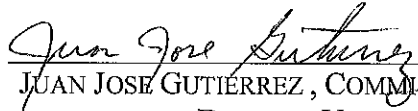
PAULINE JARAMILLO, VICE-CHAIR
DISTRICT I



PHILLIP ANAYA, COMMISSIONER
DISTRICT III

Absent

RUMALDO J. GRIEGO, COMMISSIONER
DISTRICT II



JUAN JOSE GUTIERREZ, COMMISSIONER
DISTRICT V

ATTEST BY:



REBECCA (BECKY) VEGA, COUNTY CLERK

