

Special News Brief: Water Trust Board Funds Nearly \$2 Million for Town of Taos Projects
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Today the Town of Taos was successful in securing \$1,973,903.00, the full amount requested, in funding from the State of New Mexico Water Trust Board as Mayor Darren Cordova and Public Utilities Director Amos Torres finished their final presentations and a concerted 2011-12 Taos team effort. Following are the projects that will be funded with this amount, including a 20 percent Town of Taos match equaling \$394,780.60:

- 1) Construction of the Wiemer Hills water line already designed and ready for construction.
- 2) Interconnections with Talpa and El Valle de los Ranchos to assist on emergency basis, provided the other entities are in agreement.
- 3) Improved SCADA system for the entire water system.
- 4) Pressure Reducing Valves for the proper operation of the water system and the different pressure zones.
- 5) Relocation of the emergency generators.
- 6) Rehabilitation of the water storage tank located at the Taos Post Office Area to improve water pressure on the north side of town.
- 7) Rehabilitation of Well 7 and possibly Well 9 if needed.

Projects 1, 3, 4, 5, and 6 are projects that are designed and ready for construction, while projects 2&7 will require design. All projects will require engineering services for the construction oversight.

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