



Estancia Basin Water Planning Committee Regular Meeting

Date and Time

Thursday
December 12, 2024
9:30 AM

Location

Torrance County Courthouse
Estancia, NM
Remote: Zoom Hybrid

Chairman: Krista Bonfantine
Vice Chair: Dierdre Tarr
Secretary: Corbin Carsrud
Treasurer: Don Goen

Approval of Agenda

Approval of Agenda of Regular Meeting of:
10/10/2024
12/12/2024

Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings:

Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting of:
8/8/2024
10/10/2024

Membership Issues / Appointments:

Current Filled Positions: 10/13 Quorum: 6
Vacant Positions:
Santa Fe Governmental Rep

Financial Matters:

Status of contributions from municipalities

Correspondence:

Correspondence with Edgewood (letter attached)

Meetings Attended:

Guests/Public Comments:

Contractor/Subcommittee Reports:

Unfinished Business:

Discuss board members submitting headshots and short bios for website.
Review and amend 2025 EBWPC meeting calendar

Discussion Only Items:

Discuss hypothetical dissolution of committee if Estancia Basin is included within a larger region for upcoming round of RWP
Review MOU and discuss EBWPC purpose and roles.

Announcements:

Next Meeting

Date:

Thursday, February 13, 2025 9:30 AM

Location:

**Central Tri County SWCD, 2506 Route 66, Moriarty, NM
Plus Zoom hybrid**



Estancia Basin Water Planning Committee

*P.O. Box 58
Estancia, NM 87016*

August 16, 2024

Andrew Erdmann
Water Planning Program Manager
Interstate Stream Commission
P.O. Box 25102
Santa Fe, NM 87504-5102

Re: Water Planning Region Evaluation

Dear Mr. Erdmann,

I am writing on behalf of the Estancia Basin Water Planning Committee (EBWPC). We would like to provide feedback on the proposed changes to the regional water planning regions. Although some members have provided individual input through the Open House process and appreciate the opportunity to do so, there was a unanimous decision that the committee provide input as well.

Established in 1995, the EBWPC has provided local leadership for the past three rounds of regional water planning and anticipates an active role in the development of the next regional water security plan. The Committee asserts that a reshuffling of the regions, either by subdivision or amalgamation, would be detrimental to the long-term regional water planning process that has already been established in the Estancia Basin.

Members of the EBWPC feel strongly that hydrologic boundaries, as applied previously, are the only sensible delineation to guide regional water planning in the Estancia Basin. Political boundaries are a particularly challenging alternative since the Estancia Basin crosses four counties and three Soil and Water Conservation Districts. The reliance on groundwater, lack of surface water, rapidly growing rural communities, and the dominance of the agricultural industry within this closed basin, are unique features with specific planning considerations that we feel would be diluted by combining the Estancia Basin with other areas.

The EBWPC has gained significant ground in co-managing the limited groundwater resources of the Estancia Basin over our 30-year history. We appreciate your consideration of our history and progress as you evaluate revised planning boundaries.

Respectfully,

Krista Bonfantine, Ph.D.
Chair
Estancia Basin Water Planning Committee



ESTANCIA BASIN WATER PLANNING COMMITTEE

Regular Committee Meeting Minutes August 8, 2024

Members and Staff

<i>Member</i>	<i>Position</i>	<i>Term Expiration</i>	<i>Present</i>	<i>Absent</i>
Chair – Krista Bonfantine	Municipal/Developer	December 2025	X	
Vice Chair – Dierdre Tarr	Claunch-Pinto SWCD	December 2025	X	
Secretary - Corbin Carsrud	Bernalillo Co. – Government	March 2025	X	
Treasurer Don Goen	Torrance Co. – Government	July 2025	X	
Rhonda King	Torrance Co. – Municipal	July 2025	X	
Manny Encinias	Torrance Co. – Agriculture	August 2027	X	
William (Bill) Larson	Torrance Co. – Agriculture	July 2025		X
Cole Daeschel	Santa Fe Co. – Agriculture	March 2025		X
VACANT	Santa Fe Co. – Government	Unfilled		
Dierdre Tarr	Claunch-Pinto SWCD	December 2025		X
Bill King	CTC SWCD	December 2026	X	
VACANT	East Torrance SWCD	Unfilled		
Matt Roybal	At Large	August 2025	X	

Others / Guests: *Mark Moll, San Pedro Creek Homeowners Association*
Erwin Melis, John Shomaker and Associates
Travis Soderquist, Santa Fe County
Mayor Dial, Town of Estancia
Edwin Bencomo, Town of Estancia

Call to Order: **Held at:** Hybrid ZOOM meeting per Notice
Central Tri-County (CTC) SWCD, 2506 Route 66, Moriarity NM

Called to Order at: 8/8/2024 9:31 AM **By:** Krista Bonfantine (Chair)
At call to order, there were 9 of 13 positions filled. Quorum stands at 5, due to lapsed/unfilled terms.

Approval of Agenda:
Review of Agenda for Thursday, August 08, 2024
Motion: Approve the Agenda as presented.
Motion Made: Don Goes **Motion Seconded:** Bill King
Notations / Amendments:
Motion Vote: Roll Call Vote: Unanimous

Approval of Minutes:

Review of Minutes of Regular meeting of: June 13, 2024
Motion: To approve Minutes of June 13, 2024 Meeting
Motion Made: Bill King Motion Seconded: Rhonda King
Notations / Amendments:
Motion Vote: Roll Call Vote: Unanimous

Member Issues and Appointments:

Manny appointed to Torrance County Agriculture Position
Motion: to appoint Matt Roybal as At Large Member
Motion Made: Bill King Motion Seconded: Dierdre Tarr
Motion Vote: Roll Call Vote: Unanimous
Vacancies: Santa Fe County Government, East Torrance County SWCD

Financial Matters:

2024 Financial Report
Motion: to approve 2024 financial report
Motion Made: Corbin Carsrud Motion Seconded: Dierdre Tarr
Motion Vote: Roll Call Vote: Unanimous

Correspondence:

Had previously reached out to SF County Manager for an appointment. Travis Soderquist joined us today and will look to County Commission for appointment.

Public Comments:

Travis Soderquist introduced.

Meetings Attended:

Regional Water Planning Open House for MRG. ISC indicated new rules could come out as early as this upcoming winter.

New Business:

Town of Estancia water situation – Update from Mayor Dial of Estancia
Motion: to write letter to ISC showing committee support for keeping existing region boundaries.
Motion Made: Rhonda King Motion Seconded: Dierdre Tarr
Motion Vote: Roll Call Vote: Unanimous

Unfinished Business:

Modification of support agreements
No contributions from Edgewood since 2021
Streamline SF County process
Avoid annual ask from municipalities and pivot to recurring funding.
Develop MOUs – annual allotments and annual reports
With added members to the committee, Dee mentioned of lack of representation from the southern end of the basin and future potential committee members from the area should be considered.

Next Regular Scheduled Meeting

Date: Thursday, October 10, 2024 9:30 AM
Location: Torrance County Administrative Offices, 205 Ninth Street, Estancia NM
In Person Plus Zoom (hybrid)

Adjourn:

With no further business,
Meeting Adjourned: 6/13/2024 12:00 PM
Motion: For Approval/Adoption by
Motion Made: Corbin Carsrud Motion Seconded: Dierdre Tarr
Notations / Amendments: None
Motion Vote: Unanimous

Respectfully submitted,

Corbin Carsrud EBWPC Secretary

Torrance County

Santa Fe County

Bernalillo County

"Coordinated water resource planning for the Estancia Underground Water Basin"



ESTANCIA BASIN WATER PLANNING COMMITTEE

Regular Committee Meeting Minutes October 10, 2024

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Call to Order: **Held at:** Hybrid ZOOM meeting per Notice
Edgewood Soil & Water Conservation District, 2506 NM-333, Moriarty, NM 87035

Called to Order at: 10/10/2024 9:30 AM **By:** Krista Bonfantine (Chair)

At call to order, there were 11 of 13 positions filled. Quorum stands at 6, due to lapsed/unfilled terms. Only 5 committee members present, therefore the meeting is held without Quorum.

Approval of Agenda: no quorum

Approval of Minutes: no quorum

Member Issues and Appointments:

Financial Matters: Don: \$19,887 current
Only bill paid was \$499 for website during this quarter
Torrance County accounting is wonky

Current balance
\$27001 should be balance based on last report
No activity to explain gap
County Finance Director looking into it
Bernco and Santa Fe County funds have been received

Correspondence: Don: 'The Source' contacted him
Corbin also talked with them
Hydropanels harvest humidity (each panel 24 gal/month)
\$3,700 /panel or \$2k with grant (2 gal/day maximum)
Low-income, low water (depleted or contaminated) communities
Public water supply layer OSE
EPA income database

Krista will contact Travis Soderquist at SF County before December meeting.

**Don and Krista will contact municipalities before Dec meeting and follow up on invoices

Don: Torrance Co has internet and hardware capability to host hybrid meetings

Dee: If people use the microphone, Zoom attendees should be able to hear

Groundwater monitoring telemetry equipment will be installed in December

Estancia Basin discovery updated flood maps EDAC UNM

Public Comments: Mark Moll - updated group on changes to Edgewood subdivision rules Brad Hill now the community development manager for Edgewood instead of the P&Z Director

Meetings Attended:

New Business: Draft 2025 calendar will be discussed at December meeting

Unfinished Business:

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Corbin Carsrud EBWPC Secretary

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Financial Matters:

Approval of Financial Report/ Invoices:

Correspondence:

Meetings Attended: 9/4 – Don and Krista attended the Western Estancia Watershed
Discovery Findings Meetings at Torrance County.
9/5 – Krista met with David Hanson at UNM about the NSF-funded
Energized Watershed Project

Guests/Public Comments:

Contractor/Subcommittee Reports: Contract in place to install telemetry equipment on existing monitoring
wells in December

Unfinished Business: Board members – Headshots and short bios
Should EBWPC purchase audio/visual equipment compatible for hybrid
meetings to occur at CTC SWCD?

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