



Middle Rio Grande Bosque Restoration

Background: The authorization for this study is contained in U.S. House of Representatives Resolution 107-258 for fiscal year 2002. The purpose of the study is to determine if there is a Federal Interest in

the restoration of the Rio Grande Bosque in the vicinity of Albuquerque, New Mexico, from Corrales to the South Diversion Channel (approximately 18 miles).

On July 28, 2002 the Reconnaissance Report for this study was approved at the Washington Headquarters of the Corps of Engineers. The local sponsor for this project is the Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District. Frequent meetings with stakeholders been held and three public meetings were held during the summer of 2002.

Current Activities: A stakeholders meeting was held on February 6, 2003. We are currently working on the Project Management Plan for the feasibility study. This plan will outline the schedule, scope and cost of the feasibility study. The Sponsor is required to pay 50 percent of the feasibility study costs. The study is scheduled to begin in the summer of 2003.

Future Activities: Three Public Meetings will be held in March 2003 to inform the public on our progress to date and to obtain additional comments on the nature and direction of the project. The meetings will be held as follows:



March 13, 2003- Alamosa Multi-Service Center
6900 Gonzales Road SW

5:00-7:30 p.m.

March 20, 2003- North Valley Senior Citizens' Center
3825 Fourth Street NW @ Fourth and Aztec NW

5:30-8:00 p.m.

March 27, 2003- City of Albuquerque Open Space Visitors' Center
6500 Coors Boulevard NW East on Bosque Meadows Road off Coors

5:30-8:00 p.m.

It is anticipated that the feasibility study will take 2-3 years to complete followed by the completion of plans and specifications. Actual on the ground restoration activities for this project will begin in FY 2007.

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