
Meeting Date: March 5, 2025
Staff Contact: Marta Ortiz, Chief Financial Officer

TITLE: R-25-11 – Authorizing the Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority to Accept Grant Award/ Agreement with the New Mexico Department of Finance and Administration for the Aquifer Storage and Recovery Project

ACTION: Introduction and Immediate Action Requested

SUMMARY:

This Resolution authorizes the Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority (Water Authority) to enter into a Grant Award/Agreement in the amount of \$400,000 between the New Mexico Department of Finance and Administration (DFA) Infrastructure Planning and Development Division for the Aquifer Storage and Recovery (ASR) Project. The application for funding was approved by the Water Authority Board on November 20, 2024.

The ASR Project provides the ability to store San Juan-Chama water in the aquifer to meet demand, particularly in years of limited surface water supply availability. The ASR Project is a vital part of the Water Authority's 100-year Water Plan (Water 2120). This request would fund the match for a WaterSMART Grant for permitting, design, and construction of the next phase of the existing full-scale direct injection recharge project, increasing the Water Authority's capacity for recharge and stored water for future use. This new ASR project is located at the Arroyo del Oso (ADO) golf course.

This Resolution provides the Executive Director with the authority to enter into an Agreement with the New Mexico DFA Infrastructure Planning & Development Division related to this funding and all established deadlines.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The Water Authority was granted the WaterSMART Planning and Project Design Grant for the ASR Project in the amount of \$400,000 and this funding will meet the match requirements.



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RECIPIENT

Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority

Vendor ID: 27851

Location: 003

Address: PO BOX 27226, ALBUQUERQUE, NM 87125

APPROPRIATION NUMBER:

ZI5044-MG25-147

ALLOCATION AMOUNT:

\$400,000.00

REVERSION DATE:

**Six (6) months after the
end date of the associated
federal grants period of
performance**

ALLOCATION PURPOSE

\$400,000.00 for costs to match US Bureau of Reclamation: WaterSMART Planning and Project Design Grants for the Arroyo Del Oso Storage and Recovery grant. Funds unexpended by the date specified in the period of performance terms of your federal grant agreement, will be reverted to the State of New Mexico within 6 months of the federal grant closeout.

ALLOCATION DISBURSEMENT

100% of the allocated funds will be disbursed upon execution of the agreement. The Allocation Recipient agrees to submit Annual reports using Exhibit A, Match Fund Annual Report Form, providing updates on the status of the expenditures from this appropriation. The Recipient also understands and agrees to use the allocated funds in accordance with the New Mexico Match Fund Policy.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority:

1. Will only use the allocated funds to carry out and/or perform activities described in allocation language.
2. Will submit annual reporting through Amplifund.
3. Will adhere to the Match Fund policy.

Signatory, Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water
Utility Authority

Date

Chief Financial Officer, Albuquerque Bernalillo County
Water Utility Authority

Date

PUBLICITY

Any Publicity regarding this agreement must not be released without prior written approval from the DFA. For purposes of this agreement, "Publicity" means notices, informational pamphlets, press releases, email response, research, reports, signs, and similar public notices prepared by or for the Subrecipient or jointly with others. The Recipient shall not issue, without consent of the DFA, any press release, or make any public announcement with respect to this agreement. In the performance of responsibilities under this agreement, the Recipient agrees to obtain approval of the DFA in advance with respect to all Public Relations, all communications with media, or all communications with any other member of the public with respect to this agreement, except to acknowledge that an agreement does exist. For purposes of this agreement, "Public Relations" includes community relations and means those activities dedicated to maintaining the image of the DFA or maintaining or promoting understanding and favorable relations with the community or public at large or any segment of the public. For violations of this provision, as determined solely by the DFA, the DFA reserves the right to terminate this agreement.



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APPROVAL

In accordance with the authority conferred on the Department of Finance & Administration by the statute appropriating these funds, I hereby approve this certification for a matching grant in the amount of \$400,000.00

Wesley Billingsley
Director, Infrastructure Planning & Development Division

Date



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STATE OF NEW MEXICO
Match Fund Annual Report Form
Exhibit A

Appropriation Recipient: _____

Appropriation Number: _____

Use of Appropriation Funds	Amount
Personnel Expenses	\$ 0.00
Contract Expenses	\$ 0.00
Other Expenses	\$ 0.00
Total Amount of Appropriation Funds Expended	\$ 0.00

<p>Narrative <i>Describe the outcomes, results, benefit, and or uses of the appropriation funds</i></p>