



NMACD Acequia Chronology

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2025 – Acequia Water Savings – USDA Farm Service Agency

Requested - \$15,000,000, Agreement signed, awaiting notice to proceed

NM - \$13.6 million

Colo - \$1.4 million

Hermit's Peak Calf Canyon Fire (HPCC)

June 2023 – Initial agreement with DFA to assess acequia impacted by HPCC

December 2023 – NMACD role increased to include planning, engineering support and implementation of Emergency Watershed Program administered by NRCS

Status - HPCC Acequia work completed to date:

- **116 assessment requests**
- **114 assessments completed**
- **8 assessments have been amended**
- **4 are not eligible**
- **52 diversion dams impacted/need replaced**
- **66 acequias need silt and debris removal**
- **17 projects completed**
- **4 projects under construction**
- **12 projects selected for construction 6-26-2025**
- **19 projects assigned to three engineering firms focused on diversion dams**
- **Expended approximately \$6.3 million**

**USDA NRCS- 2018 Regional Conservationist Partnership Program- NMACD
Alternative Funding Agreement**

Area of Participation - Statewide

Core Partners-

**Interstate Stream Commission
New Mexico Acequia Association
New Mexico Department of Agriculture
East Rio Arriba SWCD, Upper Chama SWCD,
Tierra Y Montes SWCD, Taos SWCD
New Mexico Acequia Commission**

22 Projects Completed

**Acequia de la Canova at Velarde –
Heredia Ditch at Mimbres -Second phase
Acequia del La Joya at Socorro– Completed (ACOE & ISC)
Heredia Ditch at Mimbres – completed, second phase
Acequia del Llano – Canjilon
Acequia del Brazito – Canjilon
Acequia de Rio Chama – Rio Chama/Medanales
Luna Community Ditch at Luna
Abeyta-Trujillo, Abiquiu – completed phase one under usfws
Acequia de Santa Cruz – Completed, designed through RCPP,
funded by ISC & Capital Outlay
Acequia de Rainsville Norte, Rainsville
Acequia Madre de Rio Costilla-
Acequia de las Joyas - Nambe
Acequia de Anton Chico
Los Trigos Ditch-
Lower Bull Creek
Acequia de las Canovas
Cuarteles Djitch Association-
Acequia del Cano-
Acequia Madre de Rio Costilla
Acequia de Rainville Norte
Los Trigos**

2016 Regional Conservationist Partnership Program

Area of Participation - Statewide

Awarded - \$3,000,000

Expended - \$2,998,000 (8-31-2020)

Applications received - 94

Initial Partner Contribution commitment –\$15,172,700

Core Partners-

Interstate Stream Commission

New Mexico Acequia Association

New Mexico Department of Agriculture

East Rio Arriba SWCD, Upper Chama SWCD, Tierra Y Montes

SWCD, Taos SWCD

21 projects completed

2015 Regional Conservationist Partnership Program

Awarded – \$1,189,000

Expended – \$1,189,000

13 projects completed

Total 2014 Farm Bill RCPP Acequia

56 projects completed

\$6,611,935.20