

NMDOT Post Fire Flood Issues

Water and Natural Resources
Committee
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NMDOT Related Issues

- **Damage to Roadway Infrastructure**
 - Roadway, bridges, drainage structures, walls, roadway tie slopes, ditches, fencing
 - Repairs can go from days to years
- **Repairs performed in-house**
 - Cheaper and typically faster
 - Necessitates Reallocation of NMDOT Resources
 - Decreased production of routine duties
- **Repairs performed by Contractors**
 - Typically utilized for more complicated repairs
 - May require design plans
 - Account for procurement process
- **Cascading Events**
 - Continues for \approx 3 years



NMDOT In-House Repair Costs

- **Hermits Peak/Calf Canyon**
 - \$1.5M
- **South Fork Fire**
 - \$0.5M
- **Roswell Flooding**
 - \$0.5M

*Does not include contractor costs



NM – 105 (San Miguel County) Before



NM -105 (San Miguel County) After



NM - 532 (Ski Run Road, Ruidoso)
Before



**NM – 532 (Ski Run Ruidoso)
After**



US – 285 (Rio Felix)
Before



US – 285 (Rio Felix)
After

Hermits Peak/Calf Canyon

▪ Stampede Ventures Inc	
▪ NMDOT R/W:	\$20,846,056.16
▪ County R/W:	\$11,721,158.40
▪ PPDR:	\$10,709,194.48
▪ Acequias:	\$65,291,987.10
TOTAL	\$108,568,396.14
▪ Thompsons Consulting Services	
▪ NMDOT & County R/W:	\$ 5,069,700.84
▪ PPDR:	\$ 4,627,177.04
▪ Acequias:	\$ 3,043,856.37
TOTAL	\$ 12,740,734.25
▪ NMDOT (Crews and Resources)	
TOTAL	\$ 1,364,160.59
TOTAL	\$122,673,290.98



Hermits Peak/Calf Canyon Cash Flow

- **Governor issued Executive Orders**
 - 120 Executive Orders (\$90M)
 - Looking for full FEMA Reimbursement
- **FEMA Reimbursements (\$36M Total)**
 - **Emergency Protection Measures (\$26M)**
 - \$16,000,000 ROW Debris Removal State ROW
 - \$10,000,000 ROW Debris Removal County ROWs
 - 6,600,22.66 Mora County
 - 3,813,771.00 San Miguel County
 - Acequias projects in process (\$12.5M)