

Acequia Disaster Recovery Effort

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Acequia work in process and completed

- **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**

2018 Regional Conservationist Partnership Program

Area of Participation – Statewide--22 Projects Completed

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

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