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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR: Varela DATE TYPED: 03/05/03 HB HJR 31/aHVEC

SHORT TITLE: State & Federal Government Land Exchange SB _____

ANALYST: Geisler

APPROPRIATION

Appropriation Contained		Estimated Additional Impact		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY03	FY04	FY03	FY04		
			2.0	Non-Rec	OSF

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

General Services Department (GSD)
NM Border Authority (NMBA)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of HVEC Amendment

The House Voters and Elections Committee amendment to House Joint Resolution 31 made a minor technical correction to the amount of federal land in Santa Fe which is part of the proposed land swap with the State of New Mexico.

Synopsis of Original Bill

House Joint Resolution 31 proposes the trade of approximately 10 acres of state-owned land at the Santa Teresa border crossing in Dona Ana County to the federal government in exchange for approximately 9.2 acres of federal land adjacent to state-owned land at the West Capitol Complex in Santa Fe. The exchange is subject to approval by the chair of the New Mexico Border Authority.

Significant Issues

This is an equal-value exchange of property that allows the federal government expansion options at the Santa Teresa Border Crossing and allows the state more land at the West Capitol Complex to pursue consolidating state services at campus locations and reducing high cost

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leases. The NMBA and GSD support this joint resolution.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The only cost to the state and the federal government are for surveys of the land. The exchange is considered to be equal value, based on the agreement of both government entities.

The cost of surveying the Santa Fe property is estimated to cost \$2.0.

OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES

The Border Authority currently has leased office space within the area to be exchanged at Santa Teresa. The Border Authority was already planning to move from that space; therefore, there exchange will not affect its operations.

State-owned property in Dona Ana county includes a five and ninety-five hundredths acre parcel used as a temporary border crossing during the building of the permanent facility. The New Mexico Border Authority is housed on this parcel, which is adjacent to the Santa Teresa international beltway. The state is currently developing the West Capitol Complex, pursuant to the master plan, adopted by the Capitol Buildings Planning Commission. The master plan identifies the federal land for acquisition. Surveys have been completed on both properties.

The federal government will benefit with this trade, since they will have the opportunity to enhance their operations at the border. GSD will benefit by being able to co-locate agencies and consolidate governmental functions and properties as set forth within the Capitol Buildings Master Plan. It provides for expansion opportunities for additional public access functions.

AMENDMENTS

Provided by GSD:

On page 2, line 18, delete the word “eleven” and insert in lieu thereof the words “nine and two-tenths acres”. On page 2, line 20 delete “eleven-acre” and insert in lieu thereof the “nine and two-tenth acre”. These amendments correct and conform the acreage as stated on page 1, line 22, which is the actual amount of federal property in Santa Fe.

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