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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

ORIGINAL DATE 2/14/07

SPONSOR Griego LAST UPDATED _____ HB _____

SHORT TITLE STUDY ACEQUIA CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM SB 1032

ANALYST Propst

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY07	FY08		
	\$25.0	Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From

Department of Finance and Administration (DFA)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Bill 1032 appropriates \$25.0 to the Local Government Division so the State Acequia Commission can convene and coordinate a task force to study the acequia construction program of the Interstate Stream Commission.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$25.0 contained in this bill is a recurring expense to the General Fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of FY08 shall revert to the General Fund.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

SB 1032 appropriates \$25.0 to the Local Government Division so the State Acequia Commission can convene and coordinate a task force to study the acequia construction program of the Interstate Stream Commission. The task force is to include the nonprofit state acequia association, the natural resources conservation service, the army corps of engineers, the New Mexico association of conservation districts and the interstate stream commission. Its charge is

to study the acequia construction program of the interstate stream commission and make recommendations to the legislature.

DFA reports that one option the task force may wish to consider is to evaluate requests for capital outlay funding of ditch improvements on technical merits by engineers at the ISC but manage contractual monies through DFA. The task force, if it exercised this option, would offer a microcosm of the need for overall capital outlay reform.

CONFLICT, DUPLICATION, COMPANIONSHIP, RELATIONSHIP

Relates to SB which appropriates \$130.0 to the Local Government Division to provide staff support to the State's Acequia Commission

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