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REQUESTING NOTIFICATION OF THE ACEQUIA COMMISSION WHENEVER
ACTION IS BEING CONSIDERED THAT AFFECTS ACEQUIAS OR COMMUNITY
DITCHES.

WHEREAS, Section 73-2-65 NMSA 1978 creates the acequia
commission; and

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commission to "provide advice and assist the governor,
legislature, office of the state engineer and interstate stream
commission . . . in . . . acequia and community ditch matters;
serve as a facilitator for communication between acequia and
community ditch associations and state and federal agencies;
and review and comment on any plan or legislation affecting
acequias or community ditches to the governor, the legislature,
the secretary of agriculture and the interstate stream

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1 commission"; and

2 WHEREAS, the governor, the legislature and various state
3 and federal agencies dealing with New Mexico water are
4 obligated to cooperate with the acequia commission in the
5 discharge of these duties;

6 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE
7 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the governor, the state engineer, the
8 interstate stream commission, the secretary of environment, the
9 secretary of energy, minerals and natural resources and other
10 agencies dealing with water are requested to actively apprise
11 the acequia commission of any activity affecting the interests
12 of acequias or community ditches in New Mexico; and

13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
14 transmitted to the governor, the state engineer, the director
15 of the interstate stream commission, the secretary of
16 environment and the secretary of energy, minerals and natural
17 resources.