

Santa Fe River Commission  
 Subcommittee: Promoting a Living River

Strategic Goal	Promote a Living River
Objectives	Identify opportunities to increase flows with in the Santa Fe River
Tasks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Santa Fe River Fund – education, promotion, and monitoring</li> <li>• NM Beneficial Use Bill: legislative approach for allowing flows increased river flows</li> <li>• The acequias traditions - guest farming programs, acequia water rights leasing, and educational opportunities to understand how our acequia history influences our current water plans and initiatives.</li> <li>• Encourage expansion of treated effluent management &amp; reclaimed water plans</li> </ul>
Members	John Buchser, Phil Bove, Jerry Jacobi
Notes	<p>Promote river fund</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What happened to rain gardens as part of sidewalk project?</li> <li>• How many folks have contributed?</li> <li>• Need to promote more, but w/o a plan and schedule for current monies, not very viable.</li> </ul> <p>Beneficial use legislation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• John volunteered to talk to Luke, Conci, Steve</li> <li>• Next session is short, so nothing likely to happen</li> </ul> <p>Acequia tradition</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Opportunity 1: 4000 sq. ft. in railyard park; has 0.1 AF/Y allocated from acequia madre, not yet used</li> <li>• Opportunity 2: Acequia Madre school has small garden, using city water. can be expanded and draw on acequia water - last 100 ft is all that needs access</li> <li>• Phil has 12-minute CD of the cleaning of acequia madre</li> </ul> <p>Treated effluent mgmt and reclaimed water</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• John volunteered to talk to Andrew Erdman</li> <li>• Who is most familiar with Ted Williams proposal to send TE up to old 2-mile?</li> </ul> <p>Partnership opportunities - adopt an arroyo</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Phil volunteered to give tour of gabions near St John's that have lasted the years, good example of arroyo rehab</li> </ul>
Reference Materials	Santa Fe River Corridor Plan
Fiscal Impact	TBD

Update:

Our working group was successful in creating the Love Your River Day Proclamation – see attached. To be presented by Mayor Gonzales on February 13<sup>th</sup> at 10:15 a.m., at the Love Your River Day clean-up event sponsored by SF Watershed Association.