



VILLAGE OF CORRALES

RESOLUTION NO. 12-035

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATION AND THE CORRALES FIRE DEPARTMENT, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE CORRALES BOSQUE ADVISORY COMMISSION, TO PURSUE AND IMPLEMENT EXPANSION OF THE SHADED HAZARDOUS FUELBREAK PILOT PROJECT AND TO APPLY FOR BOSQUE FUEL AND JETTY JACK REMOVAL FUNDS FROM THE NEW MEXICO STATE FORESTRY DIVISION, BERNALILLO DISTRICT

WHEREAS, the danger of wildfires in the Corrales Bosque Nature Preserve is an ongoing concern to the public health and safety, with the Romero Fire June 20-21, 2012 as the most recent example; and

WHEREAS, at its February 8, 2011 meeting the Governing Body of the Village of Corrales (the "Village Council") instructed the Administration and the Bosque Advisory Commission to proceed with a single pilot project fuel break proposal using a New Mexico Forestry Division grant; and

WHEREAS, a pilot shaded hazardous fuel break of less than 1.5 acres near the Boy Scout Bridge was accomplished in the winter months of 2011, before the nesting season for migratory birds, including some jetty jack removal, removal of non-native species, and revegetation; and

WHEREAS, the Bosque Advisory Commission at its meeting August 9, 2012, by majority vote, affirmed its "Corrales Bosque Shaded Fuelbreak Proposal", attached hereto and labeled as "Appendix 1", which describes additional possible fuel break locations and sets forth a project design; and

WHEREAS, the New Mexico State Forestry Division advised the Governing Body at its July 17, 2012 meeting that \$98,000 in grant funding was currently available, upon application, in its Bernalillo District for fuels reduction and jetty jack removal in the Bosque lands owned by the Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District, some portion of which might be utilized in the Corrales Bosque,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE VILLAGE OF CORRALES THAT:

1. The Village Administration apply for fuels reduction and jetty jack removal funds from the New Mexico State Forestry Division, and
2. The Village Administration, with the expertise of its Fire Department and in consultation with the Corrales Bosque Advisory Commission, undertake one or more additional shaded hazardous fuel break projects in the Corrales Bosque Nature Preserve, at one or more locations identified in Appendix 1, with Council approval of site or sites as selected prior to the resumption of the migratory bird nesting season in the spring of 2013, and
3. Any such projects include habitat revegetation efforts in the affected areas and a commitment to obtain or budget funding to treat and maintain such project locations to sustain the shaded fuelbreak purpose in this and future fiscal years.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the Governing Body of the Village of Corrales, New Mexico, this 28th day of August, 2012.

APPROVED:



The Honorable Philip Gasteyer
Mayor, Village of Corrales

ATTEST:



Juan J. Reyes
Village Clerk