

PRESS RELEASE

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The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), Albuquerque District and Bernalillo County will host a groundbreaking ceremony for the new Vacuum Pump Station at the construction site located at 7005 Coors Rd. S.W. at 1:30 AM on January 14, 2005. The site is approximately ½ mile south of Powers Way Rd. on the west side of Coors Rd, next to Denison Park.

Cosponsored by Bernalillo County and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, this Section 593 Project is part of the Bernalillo County master plan for improving and upgrading utilities infrastructure in the southwest valley. The 2.8 million dollar pump station will provide service to more than 600 properties. Construction will begin in April of 2005 and is scheduled for completion in December of the same year.

Bernalillo County will be represented at the groundbreaking by: Commissioners Alan Armijo and Teresa Cordova, County Manager Thaddeus Lucero and Deputy Director for Public Works Tim West.

Senator Pete Domenici and his Field Representative Callie Gibson will attend. Field Representative Danny Milo will represent Senator Jeff Bingaman. Congresswoman Heather Wilson and Field Representative Tito Madrid will attend.

Deborah Foley, Chief of Civil Planning and Project Management Branch will represent the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Albuquerque District.

Agenda:

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| 1:30 – 1:45 | Introduction of Project by: Michael Martinez for USACE, and Nolan Bennett for Bernalillo County |
| 1:45 – 2:00 | Senator Pete Domenici |
| 2:00 – 2:15 | Danny Milo for Senator Jeff Bingaman |
| 2:15 – 2:30 | Congresswoman Heather Wilson |
| 2:30 – 2:45 | Bernalillo County Commissioners Alan Armijo and Teresa Cordova |
| 2:45 – 2:50 | Closing by Michael Martinez for USACE |