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Governor Bill Richardson Announces New Feature Film for Los Lunas and Belen

"A West Texas Children's Story" will hire 50 New Mexicans

SANTA FE-Governor Bill Richardson today announced that "A West Texas Children's Story", a new feature film by West Texas New Mexico Films, LLC will be shot in Los Lunas and Belen. The project will employ 50 New Mexicans and will utilize the closed state facility in Los Lunas.

"It is my goal to bring major productions to each of our communities throughout New Mexico," said Governor Bill Richardson. "The film business is a clean industry that provides good paying jobs and creates a trained workforce that can help sustain the economies of our smallest communities."

Since Governor Bill Richardson took office in 2003 approximately 60 major productions have been shot in the state of New Mexico, worth \$725 million in positive economic impact for the state.

"A West Texas Children's Story" is set in the 1960's, a magical tale of two 12-year-olds embarking on an adventure to find new, cool parents and escape their neglected, overly adult, existence. Principle cast will include Cayden Boyd, Anna Sophia Robb, Lara Flynn Boyle and Denise Richards. The local casting director and extras casting director will be Shari Rhodes.

"This is a very special part of the state so it doesn't surprise me that it's an attractive place to film movies," said state senator Michael Sanchez. "This will be the seventh movie we've hosted in the Los Lunas-Belen region in the past few years, which has been good for our economy and our communities."

Brad Isaacs is directing. Morna Ciraki, Ryan Howe, Thom Mount, Polly Platt, Mark Davis, and Arturo Muyschondt will be producing. "A West Texas Children's Story" will shoot in New Mexico from September 27 to November 5, 2006.

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