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Governor Richardson Invests Nearly \$5 Million in Tribal Infrastructure Improvements

SANTA FE - Governor Bill Richardson today announced the investment of nearly \$5,000,000 in infrastructure improvements as recommended by the Tribal Infrastructure Fund Board. Money will be used for housing, health facilities, infrastructure and economic development initiatives.

“I am keeping my promise to invest in our Native American communities,” Governor Bill Richardson said. “This is much needed money that will fund critical tribal projects, such as water and wastewater systems, health facilities and infrastructure improvements.”

“Governor Richardson has always been a friend of the Indian people,” said Indian Affairs Secretary Benny Shendo. “This is just another example of how the governor continues to help improve the daily lives and well being of thousands of Indian people living on reservations throughout New Mexico.”

Twenty project proposals were submitted, totaling over \$16 million. Nine projects were approved at a total cost of \$4,454,023. This investment will impact approximately 10,188 residents and provide 80-100 new, quality jobs. The nine approved projects are projected to be complete within eighteen months.

Tribal Infrastructure Projects:

Santa Clara Pueblo (\$500,000)

- Regional Adult Care Center

Acoma Pueblo (\$890,000)

- North Acomita Waste Water Treatment Project

San Ildefonso Pueblo (\$574,023)

- Mesa Vista Affordable Housing Development

Sandia Pueblo (\$300,000)

- Community Water System Improvements

Mexican Springs Chapter (\$100,000)

- Road Improvement Project

San Felipe Pueblo (\$500,000)

- Regional Waste Water Treatment Facility

Huerfano & Nageezi Chapter (\$340,000)

- Table Egg Production Facility

Isleta Pueblo (\$750,000)

- Village Proper Water Main Replacement

Nambe Pueblo Developmental Corporation (\$500,000)

- New Nambe Water System

Additionally, Governor Richardson has issued \$400,000 in infrastructure and planning grants for 8 tribal projects.

Planning Grant Awardees:

Laguna Pueblo (\$50,000)

- Water/Waste Water Infra-Structure Planning Project

Shiprock (\$50,000)

- Youth Home

Crownpoint (\$50,000)

- Judicial & Public Safety Complex

Tohatchi (\$50,000)

- Tohatchi Chapter Community Warehouse

Baahaali (\$50,000)

- Baahaali Chapter Pinehaven Development Site

Standing Rock (\$50,000)

- Standing Rock Chapter Waste Water Lagoon

Ohkay Owingeh (\$50,000)

- Ohkay Owingeh Plan for Upgrade for Outdated Infrastructures

Lake Valley (\$50,000)

- Lake Valley Chapter Power line Project