

A JOINT RESOLUTION ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF RENEWABLE ENERGY IN TAOS COUNTY AND NORTH CENTRAL NEW MEXICO

WHEREAS, North Central New Mexico possesses an abundant wealth of renewable energy resources; and

WHEREAS, our area has a long history of effective use of renewable energy resources for heating and power; and

WHEREAS, local energy generation provides more secure energy services that are less susceptible to remote outages; and

WHEREAS, renewable energy keeps our air and water clean thereby avoiding health care and other public expenses; and

WHEREAS, development of local generation of energy will provide quality employment; and

WHEREAS, leadership in renewable energy will enhance the reputation of North Central New Mexico thereby stimulating tourism, recreation, construction, and other industries;

THEREFORE, Be It Resolved that the Municipal, County and Pueblo governments of North Central New Mexico commit to developing local generation of renewable energy to provide all our energy needs. This will include the following:

- Formation of a regional committee to plan the transition to local renewable energy; and
- Working with New Mexico and Federal officials, utilities and rate payers to remove obstacles to local generation of renewable energy; and
- Development of local and regional energy transition plans; and
- Development of a regional marketing plan based on our commitment to local generation of renewable energy.

Passed by Taos County on October 15th, by the Town of Taos on October 22nd, by Village of Questa on January 7th, by the Taos Municipal School Board on January 14th, by the Village of Eagle Nest on January 28th, by the Village of Taos Ski Valley on February 4th.