

**GRANT COUNTY
RESOLUTION R-11-20**

**A Resolution Supporting the use of the Arizona Water Settlements Act
water in Southwest New Mexico**

Whereas adequate water resources are a prerequisite to the health and economic wellbeing of New Mexico's communities; and

Whereas the New Mexico Legislature in 1987 determined that "the future water needs of New Mexico can best be met by allowing each region of the state to plan for its water future"; and

Whereas regional water plans were drafted by many local organizations and represent collaborative strategies to address water needs; and

Whereas regional water plans were reviewed and approved by many local governments in the state; and

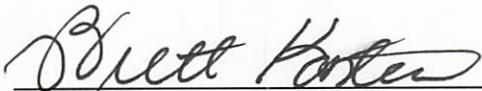
Whereas regional water plans are tools for better decision-making and water project implementation; and

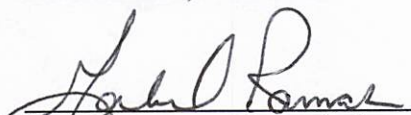
Whereas it is unacceptable to continue to allow water that can be made available for use in New Mexico to continue to flow downstream into Arizona; and

Whereas the Interstate Stream Commission has been tasked to determine use of the additional water and money from the Water Settlement Act,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GRANT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS that the Interstate Stream Commission make every effort to base its decisions on keeping the additional water in Southwest New Mexico. The Board of Grant Commissioners is confident that there will be acceptable proposals via the application procedure in place to develop the additional water and to put it to beneficial use, including but not limited to diverting the water from the river.

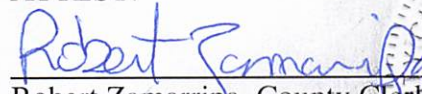
PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED by the board of commissioners at its regular meeting of June 9th, 2011.


Brett Kasten, Chairman


Gabriel Ramos, Commissioner


Christy Miller, Commissioner

ATTEST:


Robert Zamarripa, County Clerk

