



VALENCIA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO
ELECTION PROCLAMATION
AND
RESOLUTION 2024-53

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Valencia County, met in a regular meeting on August 21, 2024, at 5:00 P.M. in the Valencia County Administration Office, 444 Luna Avenue, Los Lunas, NM 87031; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Valencia exercises the powers of the County as a body politic and corporate pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 4-38-1 (1884); and,

WHEREAS, having recognized the increasing risk and impact of arroyo-related flooding within the county, this Board in April 2024 directed counsel to petition the District Court for an Order to direct that the question of the creation of the Valencia County Arroyo Flood Control District be presented to the voters of Valencia County for consideration at the upcoming general election; and,

WHEREAS, taking judicial notice of the need for the District, the District Court in Cause No D-1314-CV-2024-00369, found the petition to have been presented in conformity with the requirements of the Flood Control District Act and that the allegations of the petition are true; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Flood Control Act, the District Court Ordered that the question of the organization of the Valencia County Arroyo Flood Control District be submitted to the qualified electors of Valencia County at the general election to be held on November 5, 2024; and,

WHEREAS, the Order further approved the precise inquiry to be submitted to the qualified voters of Valencia County, namely:

“Shall the Valencia County Arroyo Flood Control District be established for the purpose of mitigating the risks associated with flooding, implementing proactive flood control measures to protect lives, property, and infrastructure, fostering sustainable development and economic growth by reducing flood-related damages, and enhancing public safety and emergency preparedness within both the incorporated and unincorporated areas of Valencia County?”

; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 72-18-10, the Valencia County Arroyo Flood Control District will only be created and the Directors of the District seated if a majority of votes cast at the election are in favor of organization.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF VALENCIA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. That the Valencia County Arroyo Flood Control District question shall be submitted to the registered qualified electors of Valencia County, New Mexico coincident with the general election on November 5, 2024.

Section 2. Pursuant to Section 1-11-1 through 1-11-3 NMSA 1978, the County Clerk shall give notice of the election. The notice of the election shall be published in a legal newspaper as provided in Section 14-11-2, or alternatively a legal newspaper of general circulation in the County, at least one time, not more than twenty one days and not less than seven days prior to the election date, and posted no later than twenty days before the election, give notice of the Valencia County Arroyo Flood Control District election question by posting the Proclamation, including addresses of polling places and list of precinct board members in English and Spanish in a public building in the County and in at least one conspicuous place in each precinct in the County, and pursuant to Section 1-1-15 NMSA 1978, shall continue to post the Proclamation for at least 7 days prior to the Election Date. The County Clerk shall also place the proclamation for the election on the county's website. The Proclamation shall be published in full, in substantially the following form, with only such changes as are approved by the District Court and as provided by law, in English and Spanish.

NOTICE OF VALENCIA COUNTY
ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 5, 2024

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at an election (the "Election") is to be held in Valencia County, New Mexico (the "County") on Tuesday, the 5th day of November, 2024, as part of the general election on that date, there will be presented for vote to the qualified registered electors of the County the following question:

VALENCIA COUNTY ARROYO FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT QUESTION

Shall the Valencia County Arroyo Flood Control District be established for the purpose of mitigating the risks associated with flooding, implementing proactive flood control measures to protect lives, property, and infrastructure, fostering sustainable development and economic growth by reducing flood-related damages, and enhancing public safety and emergency preparedness within both the incorporated and unincorporated areas of Valencia County?

PREGUNTA DEL DISTRITO DE CONTROL DE INUNDACIONES DE ARROYO DEL CONDADO DE VALENCIA

¿Debe establecerse el Distrito de Control de Inundaciones de Arroyo del Condado de Valencia con el fin de mitigar los riesgos asociados con las inundaciones, implementar medidas proactivas de control de inundaciones para proteger vidas, propiedades e infraestructura, fomentar el desarrollo sostenible y el crecimiento económico mediante la reducción de los daños relacionados con las inundaciones y mejorar ¿Seguridad pública y preparación para emergencias dentro de las áreas incorporadas y no incorporadas del Condado de Valencia?

A person is a qualified elector of the County if on the day of the election he or she is a citizen of the United States, at least 18 years of age, and a resident of the County. To vote, qualified electors of the County must have registered with the Valencia County Clerk or any other voter registration agent in accordance with the law. Any qualified elector of the County who is not registered and who wishes to vote at the election may register at the Valencia County Clerk's Office, 444 Luna Avenue, Los Lunas, NM 87031 or at a designated agency as provided in NMSA 1978 §1-4-1 *et seq.* during regular office hours prior to 5:00 p.m., or at a voting location on election day pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 1-4-5.7.

Pursuant to the Absent Voter Precinct Act, NMSA, §1-6-19 *et seq.*, there is hereby created an absent voter precinct for the County located in the office of the Clerk of Valencia County, members of which shall be appointed by the County Clerk of Valencia County.

Early in Person Voting Hours are as follows: Beginning October 8, 2024, the 28th day prior to Election Day and ending October 18, 2024, on regular days of business from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Pursuant to the Absent Voter Act, NMSA 1978 §§ 1-6-1 through 1-6-16.2, qualified electors may vote early at the following locations:

VC	LOCATION/LUGAR	ADDRESS/DIRECCION	PRECINCTS
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Valencia County Administration Offices	444 Luna, Ave., Los Lunas, NM 87031	All
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Alternate Early Voting Hours are as follows: Beginning October 19, 2024 and ending November 2, 2024, Mondays thru Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Pursuant to the Absent Voter Act, NMSA 1978 §§ 1-6-1 through 1-6-16.2, qualified electors may also vote early at the following locations:

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	Valencia County Administration Offices	444 Luna, Ave., Los Lunas, NM 87031	All
	Belen Community Center	305 Eagle Ln., Belen, NM 87002	All
	Bosque Farms Public Library	1455 W. Bosque Loop, Bosque Farms, NM 87068	All
	Pueblo of Isleta Veteran's Center	4001 Hwy 314, Los Lunas, NM 87031	All

The final day and time when absentee or mailed ballots will be accepted by the County Clerk is 7:00 PM on November 5, 2024.

The polls for the election will be open between 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on the day of the election.

The election shall be held in every precinct in the County. The Voting Convenience Centers for the election on election day are as follows:

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	VCC1 – Ann Parish Elementary School, 112 Meadow Lake Rd. Los Lunas, NM 87031	
	VCC2- Belen Community Center, 305 Eagle Ln., Belen, NM 87002	
	VCC3- Belen Public Library, 333 Becker Ave., Belen, NM 87002	
	VCC4 – Bosque Farms Public Library, 1455 W. Bosque Loop, Bosque Farms, NM 87068	
	VCC5 – Century High School, 32 Sun Valley Rd., Los Lunas, NM 87031	
	VCC6 – Del Rio Senior Center, 351 Rio Communities Blvd., Belen, NM 87002	
	VCC7- Don Jose Dolores Cordova Cultural Center, 426 Jarales Rd., Jarales, NM 87023	
	VCC8- El Cerro Community Center 309 El Cerro Mission Blvd., Los Lunas, NM 87031	
	VCC9- Logsdon Hall, 19676 Hwy. 314, Belen, NM 87002	
	VCC10- Los Lunas Schools Administration, 119 Luna St., Los Lunas, NM 87031	

VCC11- Meadow Lake Community Center, 100 Cuerdo Ln., Los Lunas, NM 87031

VCC12- Pueblo of Isleta Veterans Center, 4001 Hwy 314, Los Lunas, NM 87031

VCC13 Tomé Dominguez de Mendoza Community Center, 2933 Hwy 47, Los Lunas, NM 87031

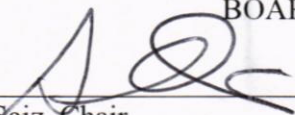
VCC14- Town of Peralta 90-A Molina Rd., Peralta, NM 87042

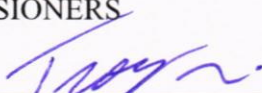
VCC15- UNM-Valencia Workforce Training Center, 1020 Huning Ranch Lp., Los Lunas, NM 87031

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Board of County Commissioners of Valencia County, New Mexico, being the governing body of the County, has caused this notice to be published as required by law and dated this 21st day of August 2024.

APPROVED, ADOPTED, AND PASSED on this 21st day of August 2024.

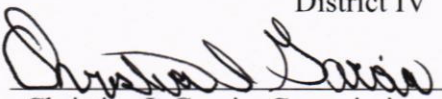
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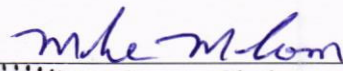

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