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## Press Release

**New Mexico Communities Awarded Millions of Dollars**

**For Local Projects**

**Santa Fe** – More than $11 million in Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) and Recreational Trails Program (RTP) grants were recently awarded to 27 multi-modal projects across New Mexico.

Multi-modal projects include sidewalks, bicycle paths, and transit stops, which provide benefits such as reduced congestion and improved air quality.

TAP and RTP funds come from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and are administered by the New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT). The TAP provides funding for community-based projects that expand travel choices and improve the cultural, historic, and environmental aspects of the state’s transportation system.   The RTP helps fund the development and maintenance of trails and trail-related facilities for both motorized and non-motorized uses. Both programs require a local match of 14.56 percent of the total project cost.

“The New Mexico Department of Transportation and the FHWA’s New Mexico Division are pleased to work with our partners throughout the state to implement these projects that better New Mexico communities,” said Tom Church, NMDOT Cabinet Secretary.

Recipients of TAP and RTP funding for 2016 and 2017 include:

**Bernalillo County**

Alameda Drain Trail – $750,000 (TAP)

**Village of Bosque Farms**

South Bosque Loop Ditch Crossing – $111,072 (TAP)

**Village of Corrales**

Meadowlark Lane Pedestrian and Bicycle Trail – $456,057 (TAP)

**Village of** **Cuba**

Saint Francis Park Trail – $187,540 (RTP

**Deming**

Cedar Street Sidewalk Enhancements – $550,455 (TAP)

**Eunice**

Main Street Phase 5 – $337,488 (TAP)

**Farmington**

Red Apple Transit Bus Route Accessibility – $69,700 (TAP)

**Gila National Forest**

North Zone Trail Maintenance – $98,175 (RTP)

**Laguna Pueblo**

NM 124 Road Diet – $711,449 (TAP)

NM 124 Trails from Casa Blanca Road to Encinal Road – $828,467 (RTP)

**Las Cruces Public Schools**

Safe Routes to School Program Coordinator – $71,770 (TAP)

**Los Alamos County**

Canyon Rim Trail Pedestrian Bridge – $677,190 (TAP)

**Lovington**

Central Plaza Phase 2 – $393,024 (TAP)

Lovington Multi-Use Trail – $467,670 (RTP)

**North Central Regional Transit District**

ADA Transition Plan Phase 3 – $307,584 (TAP)

**Raton**

Round House Park Trail Maintenance – $42,720 (RTP)

**San Juan County**

Kirtland Schools Walk Path System – $854,400 (TAP)

**Santa Fe**

Downtown Transit Center and Sheridan Avenue Improvements – $2,000,000 (TAP)

**Santa Fe National Forest**

Vista Grande Overlook Reconstruction – $85,440 (TAP)

Pecos Wilderness Trail Maintenance – $177,066 (RTP)

“Forest Your Health” Signage and Trailhead Improvements – $29,085 (RTP)

**Santo Domingo Pueblo**

Santo Domingo Pedestrian Trail through Box Culvert – $69,206 (TAP)

Santo Domingo Multi-Use Trail Segment 2 – $931,296 (TAP)

**Silver City**

Signage and Educational Materials – $45,000 (RTP)

**Socorro**

Socorro Bicycle and Trail Plan – $46,945 (TAP)

**Sunland Park**

Racetrack Drive Sidewalk Installation – $222,003 (TAP)

**Tularosa**

Granado Street Pedestrian Improvements – $492,467 (TAP)

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