

## Action and Advocacy Report- May 2025

The committee spent an extended amount of time discussing the wastewater situation. In addition, Kelly provided an in-depth report on the progress of the negotiations and civil suit, which has been accepted by the NM Supreme Court, regarding wastewater discharged by Bishops Lodge. Carol shared the County Water Policy Advisory Committee's 1<sup>st</sup> quarter report.

Carol also provided a synopsis of the County's concerned response to proposed expansion at LANL.

The committee expressed concern at the very short timeline for replacement of the Superintendent of Schools as well as the poor timing of the community input meetings.

After discussion about processes adopted by the Central New Mexico Chapter of the League, the Santa Fe A/A committee decided to be in contact with governing bodies not only when they are out of compliance with our values, but also when they are doing something of which we approve. The goal is to let them know that we are actively observing their actions. To that end, we will be preparing statements for the city councilors and mayor supporting the County-proposed Joint Powers Agreement between the city and county on the water and wastewater situation (Sally Sabo). We discussed sending another that will endorse the proposed formation of a salary commission, or the use of the City's salary commission, to define salaries for County Commissioners.

A-A is also carefully watching the City budget hearings.