

A JOINT MEMORIAL

REQUESTING THE STATE LAND OFFICE TO NEGOTIATE WITH THE UNITED STATES ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT FOR AN EXCHANGE OF PROPERTY AT CONCHAS LAKE AND ALONG THE MEXICAN BORDER.

WHEREAS, the United States army corps of engineers owns the campground, golf course, lodge and other property at Conchas lake; and

WHEREAS, the state land office owns property along the border with Mexico; and

WHEREAS, the United States army corps of engineers is seeking to acquire land along the border to enhance the nation's security interest; and

WHEREAS, it is in the interest of the state and communities near Conchas lake for property owned by the corps to be used for recreation and development; and

WHEREAS, the state land office has the authority to negotiate and exchange land to the advantage of the state trusts;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the commissioner of public lands be requested to negotiate a favorable land exchange with the United States army corps of engineers of border property for prime real estate at Conchas lake; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be transmitted to the commissioner of public lands, the director of the United States army corps of engineers and to the New Mexico congressional delegation.