



**SIERRA COUNTY  
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2025-44**

**AUTHORIZING THE EXCHANGE OF COUNTY PROPERTY FOR A PORTION OF THE CHLORIDE  
CEMETERY CURRENTLY HELD IN PRIVATE OWNERSHIP**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners of Sierra County, met in a regular meeting on May 20, 2025, at 10:00 A.M. in the Sierra County Administration Office, 1712 N. Date Street, Truth or Consequences, NM 87901; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners of Sierra County, New Mexico holds title to real property within Sierra County; and

**WHEREAS**, a portion of the historic Chloride Cemetery remains privately owned, while the remainder of the cemetery is owned and maintained by the County; and

**WHEREAS**, the County and the private owner of the remaining portion of the Chloride Cemetery have agreed in principle to exchange properties of equal size and approximate value in order to consolidate ownership and ensure public access and preservation of the cemetery; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 13-6-2(A) (2007), the County may dispose of real property provided a written determination is made by the Board that such disposition is in the best interest of the County; and

**WHEREAS**, NMSA 1978, Section 13-6-2(B)(3) permits real property exchanges by negotiated sale; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners finds that consolidating ownership of the Chloride Cemetery and placing it under full County control is in the public interest and serves a clear governmental and historical preservation purpose.


**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of County Commissioners of Sierra County, New Mexico, that the County is hereby authorized to convey a parcel of real property of equal size and approximate value in exchange for the privately held portion of the Chloride Cemetery.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the County Manager and such other officials or administrative staff as may be necessary are hereby authorized and directed to take all necessary actions, including execution of deeds, agreements, and supporting documentation, to

effectuate the exchange of property as described, provided that such exchange shall be contingent upon confirmation that the property to be received is free of title defects and suitable for public ownership, and that the property to be conveyed by the County is not required for current or future County use.

**APPROVED, ADOPTED AND PASSED** on this 20th day of May, 2025.

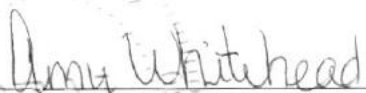
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OF SIERRA COUNTY**

  
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James Paxon, Vice-Chairman

  
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Attest:

  
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Amy Whitehead  
Sierra County Clerk

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