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PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

Bonito Lake Restoration Project

Notice of Heavy Truck Traffic and Construction Activities, Lincoln County NM

In the Spring of 2012, the Little Bear fire destroyed most of the native vegetation in the Bonito Lake watershed area. 6 weeks later, two major storm events washed hundreds of thousands of cubic yards of forest debris and sediment into the Bonito Lake. Subsequent storms in 2012 and 2013 filled the lake with more debris. With assistance from the Department of Homeland Security and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), the City of Alamogordo, as owner of the lake, began the process of developing the Bonito Lake Restoration Plan in 2013. After 4 years of acquiring funding, planning, design and permitting, construction on the restoration plan began in September of 2017.

Commencing on or about June 25, 2018, Smithco Construction, Inc. crews will be removing, drying, and transporting material from Bonito Lake to the Copper Mountain Quarry disposal site. Heavy truck traffic will be operating within the project area which includes County Road 107 from Bonito Lake to NM HWY 37, NM HWY 37 to NM HWY 48 and NM HWY 48 to the disposal site approximately 1.25 miles north of the HWY 37/48 intersection.

Motorists are advised to use caution when traveling through the project areas. The speed limit will be reduced to 25 MPH on County Road 107. The speed limit on the affected sections of NM Highway 37 and 48 will be reduced to 45 MPH. Additional traffic signs and message boards will be placed along the haul route.

This work will continue through approximately November, 2019. Hours of hauling will be 7:00 am to 5:30 pm, Monday through Thursday.

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