

RESOLUTION 2012-03 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE CORRIDOR MANAGEMENT PLAN UPDATE FOR THE SALT MISSIONS TRAIL SCENIC BYWAY

WHEREAS, the Salt Missions Trail Scenic Byway (Byway) connects over nine communities in three counties, including Torrance County, in the east central part of New Mexico; and

WHEREAS, the Salt Missions Trail Scenic Byway was designated as a Byway in order to generate a sense of regional community, increase opportunities for economic development, and spur preservation of appropriate historic and cultural resources in the area; and

WHEREAS, a Corridor Management Plan (Plan) for the Byway was developed in 1998 with Federal Highway Administration Scenic Byway Program funds through the New Mexico Department of Transportation; and

WHEREAS, an Update to the Plan positions communities along the Byway to access additional Scenic Byway Program and other funds for projects related to the scenic and historic characteristics of the Byway; and

WHEREAS, in late 2010 the Mid Region Council of Governments, a regional planning organization in central New Mexico, received a Scenic Byway Program grant to update the Plan and to assist in redevelopment of the Salt Missions Trail Scenic Byway Organization; and

WHEREAS, citizens and officials from communities along the Byway actively participated in the development of a vision and goals for the Byway as well as identification of a list of proposed Byway projects; and

WHEREAS, the original Plan has been updated and revised to incorporate the results of this planning effort, to bring the community information in the Plan up to date, and to refine the historic material included in the Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Plan calls for the local governing bodies to formally accept the results of this effort and for the establishment of a Salt Missions Trail Scenic Byway Organization

Committee with representation from communities along the Byway which will meet periodically to coordinate Scenic Byway planning and project implementation efforts.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Commission of Torrance County hereby

- Accepts the Salt Missions Trail Scenic Byway Corridor Management Plan Update as a basis for requesting funds for the implementation of Scenic Byway projects along the Salt Missions Trail Scenic Byway, and
- 2. Agrees to appoint a representative to participate in the Salt Missions Trail Scenic Byway Organization Committee.

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Attest:

County Clerk

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TORRANCE COUNTY COMMISSION

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