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**EASTERN SANDOVAL COUNTY ARROYO FLOOD CONTROL AUTHORITY
HOLDS PUBLIC MEETINGS**

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County public information officer Gayland Bryant lobbied for the ESCAFCA legislation, saying, "The goal is to facilitate development of flood control measures as quickly and cost-effectively as possible, to prevent a recurrence of what the entire area experienced last summer, as well as in seasons past, when rain washed away roadways and other public and private property in the upper Placitas regions, before continuing downstream [and] causing equally extensive damage in the lower areas of Placitas, and then further downstream, in the Bernalillo and Algodones valley, communities were unable to reach residents who needed medical and emergency assistance."

Bryant said that the cost to residents could be as low as a half mil levy or \$15 per \$100,000 appraised value of properties. He said that land would only be condemned for flood control and road projects—not for new development.

The entire article can be seen here:

http://www.sandovalsignpost.com/jul07/html/up_front.html