

## **Funding for Vetoed Projects Restored**

SANTA FE – Senator Pete Campos, D-Las Vegas, announced today that funding for \$355,000 worth of area capital outlay projects that was vetoed last year has been restored.

"This is good news for the residents of Guadalupe, Torrance and San Miguel counties," Campos said.

Funding was restored for Mountainair high school bleachers, the Las Vegas city school district reader boards, the gas line replacement project in Las Vegas, the improvements to Romero street in Las Vegas, the construction of the education center for the East Torrance soil and water conservation district, road improvements in San Miguel county and the Hollywood Ranch water system in Guadalupe county, Campos said.

The funding was included in Senate Bill 710, a measure that funds more than \$82.3 million worth of projects around the state. Included in the measure is nearly \$27.4 million worth of projects sponsored by members of the senate, but vetoed last year by the governor. Also included is \$26 million worth of projects sponsored by house members, including a mix of projects that was vetoed last year and new projects, and nearly \$29

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million worth of projects supported by the governor.

"The legislature's quick approval of this measure, which was initiated by the senate, will mean that tens of millions of dollars will be immediately available for worthwhile projects around New Mexico," Campos said.

Campos said it was unusual for the legislature to approve a major piece of

legislation like Senate Bill 710 so early in the legislative session. The session adjourns  
March 17.