

Abeyta Settlement wells

Staff report

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As part of the \$2.8 million grant agreement between the town of Taos and the Bureau of Reclamation, the town will get \$80,000 for land acquisition needed in the ongoing relocation of municipal wells. But town manager Rick Bellis said, "It has not yet been determined if that will be necessary as we will be trying to use the footprint of our existing wells or the test wells that were already drilled years ago." The rest of the money will be used for data collection and various surveys and consultations as well as chemical analysis, preparation of bid documentation, permitting and drilling and testing exploratory wells. The Bureau of Reclamation is responsible for conducting a federal NEPA analysis for the project.