

The Rio Grande SIERRAN



THE RIO GRANDE CHAPTER OF THE SIERRA CLUB

MARCH '84

MOUNTAIN LIONS WIN

VICTORY FOR MOUNTAIN LIONS
by Carol Cochran

February 23 has been called the day of a "tremendous victory" for the Sierra Club and the mountain lion. On that day, the state Game Commission reduced the bag limit on the sport hunting of mountain lions from two to one animal, and shortened the season from 11 to 3 months, with the exception of five "problem areas" where the season will be five months with a quota set on the number of lions taken there. The Game Department estimates that the new regulations will reduce the lion take by 30%. Further, the Department

plans to tighten its lion control policies to discontinue its practice of giving depredation permits to ranchers.

Long-time political observers claim that such a significant change in only one year is an incredible feat and attribute the accomplishment to our hard work, effective organization, and commitment. About 100 lion supporters from the Sierra Club and other organizations attended the Commission meeting crowding the aisles and outnumbering the opposition by a good margin. Each one of us who came to that meeting or earlier meetings or who wrote a letter should take credit for the victory; each of us made a difference.

Of course, we did not get all that we wanted. The mountain lion needs more protection and more study. The new regulations still are aimed at protecting livestock, at least to some extent. We will closely monitor the lion situation this year and keep up our pressure on the Game Department. We may also have to contend with legislation introduced by an angry livestock industry. But, thanks to all of you, we'll be ready.

(Letters of support should be sent to Mr. James Koch, Chairman of the State Game Commission, P. O. Box 1926, Santa Fe, NM 87501)

Rio Grande Chapter
Sierra Club
P. O. Box 37199
Albuquerque, NM 87176

12505550 1704 0004 6 094117
C A P RESNOLLA
KI 5 BOX 1064
SANTA FE NM 87501

NONPROFIT
ORGANIZATION
U.S. POSTAGE
PAID
PERMIT 612
ALBUQUERQUE, N.M.



Friend or foe? Long the subject of controversy, the mountain lion has finally gained some protection. More on Page 6.

RIO GRANDE
SIERRAN

CHAIRMAN'S CORNER

Much has happened since the last issue of the Sierran, and I'll just touch briefly on some of the events.

The Chapter Excom election was a resounding success. Five hundred sixty-five ballots were received, more than ten times as many as were cast in the last election. Considering that the ballots had to be mailed in, that return was outstanding. (In the Grand Canyon Chapter's last election, fewer than one percent [1%] of the members cast a ballot.)

There were a few complaints about the fairly detailed procedures required in casting ballots in our election, and I'd like to explain briefly why these procedures were necessary. Sierra Club and Chapter By-laws require a secret ballot in order to comply with California laws. Using separate ballots and individual envelopes was the only way to be reasonably sure that each member submitted a secret ballot. The procedures did not imply any distrust of members or fears that someone would try to stuff the ballot box. Besides, it's much easier to justify those measures than it would be to have to handle allegations of irregularities in the election.

I would like to thank the Santa Fe Group for handling the mailing--as complicated as it was--and the counting of the returned ballots. They did the job cheerfully, but, unselfishly, they will be glad to let another group have the pleasure next fall. Any volunteers?

The El Paso Group hosted the January 28-29 meeting of the Southwest Regional Conservation Committee (SWRCC) and showed them some real Rio Grande hospitality. The El Paso Garden Center was an excellent meeting place, and the potluck on Saturday was a gastronomic delight that the Grand Canyon, Rocky Mountain, and Utah chapter delegates will remember for years to come. The Arizonans were heard to mutter, "How are we going to top this when we meet in Phoenix?"

Many thanks to Jim Owen for making arrangements, to Barbara and George Mader for holding the potluck in their home, and to the members of the El Paso Group who provided good food and gracious hospitality.

Several people have gone to lobby various committees in the state legislature during the recent and abortive short session. Several bills of interest to environmentalists died before the end of the session, among them a "Land Endowment Fund Act" that would have provided a means for the state to purchase lands of cultural, scenic, and/or scientific value and to be able to accept donations to acquire such lands. Watch for this in a future session and write or call your state representative or senator to insure its passage.

Other bills of interest were one to make instream water for wildlife a beneficial use of water and a bill authorizing a "feasibility study" for a railroad in the San Juan Basin. These are sure to come up again, and the water for wildlife bill is a good one. The railroad study bill needs to have a requirement that environmental concerns will be addressed in the study.

Watch for these bills in the inevitable special session, and be sure to let your senator or representative know how you feel about them. If you don't make your opinions known, the legislators may vote the wrong way. (They may anyway, but at least it won't be because you didn't let them know.)

Some things I'd like to see happen this year are:

1. Formation of new groups in Los Alamos, Socorro, Taos, Gallup and northeastern New Mexico. We have several members in each of those areas, and by forming groups, they can be much more effective in carrying out Sierra Club and Chapter activities.

2. A workshop for group leaders--chairmen, executive committee members, outings chairmen, newsletter editors, fundraisers, membership committees, and conservation chairmen. If all of these people could get together and discuss their problems and methods of doing things, I'm sure each group would become stronger, and the Chapter would become a really effective environmental force in New Mexico and western Texas.

3. A well attended Second Annual Rio Grande Chapter Dinner on May 12 in Albuquerque. It will be the 21st anniversary of the Chapter, and I'd like to see the dining room at the Four Seasons Motel filled to overflowing. Mark your calendar now--May 12!

These things are all possible, and they can make the Rio Grande Chapter a really going operation, but they need you to make them work. Tell your Excom members that you want to see them happen, and when they come up, make sure that you are there to make them happen.

--John Colburn--

CHAPTER ANNIVERSARY DINNER SET

Saturday, May 12, 1984, has been set for the Second Annual Rio Grande Chapter Dinner marking the 21st anniversary of the founding of the chapter. The dinner will be at the Four Seasons Motor in on Carlisle Blvd. at Interstate 40 in Albuquerque.

The Board of Directors of the Sierra Club established the Rio Grande Chapter on May 4, 1963, as the fourth chapter outside the state of California. At that time the chapter consisted of some 125 members scattered across New Mexico, Texas, and eastern Arizona. The majority of those Sierrans resided in the Santa Fe-Los Alamos area which soon became the center of Chapter activity.

In the 21 years of its existence, the Rio Grande Chapter has been a major influence in environmental matters in the Southwest and in the operation of the Sierra Club nationally.

All Sierra Club members are invited to attend this gala event and to bring their families and friends. Reservations will be required.

Watch your local group newsletters and the next issue of the Rio Grande Sierran for additional information or contact the Rio Grande Chapter, Box 37199, Albuquerque, NM 87176.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING:

At its January 14, 1984, meeting in Albuquerque, the Rio Grande Chapter Executive Committee elected the following officers for 1984:

Chairman: John Colburn (Albq)
Vice-chmn: Jim Owen (El Paso)
Secretary: Carol Cochran (Albq)
Treasurer: George Mader (El Paso)

[See the Chapter Directory on the back page for the names, addresses and phone numbers of all the Chapter officers, coordinators, and leaders.]

Other actions taken by the Excom were:

1984 Meeting Calendar:

Feb. 25-26--Socorro
Apr. 7-8--Farmington
May 12-13--Albuquerque
(Annual Chapter Dinner)
June 30-July 1--Santa Fe
Aug. 11-12--Cloudcroft/Ruidoso
Sept. 22-23--open
Nov. 10-11--Albuquerque
Dec. 8-9--El Paso

Approved changes to the Chapter By-laws which brings them into conformity with national Sierra Club By-laws and regulations and to send the amended Chapter By-laws to the membership for approval. [See the centerfold of this issue of the Sierra for the amended By-laws and ballot.]

Approved the expenditure of \$300 for legislative services from the Conservation Voters Alliance lobbyist during the 1984 session of the New Mexico Legislature.

Because of the inclement weather and poor road conditions, the meeting was adjourned on Saturday evening.

NOTE: All Excom meetings are open to any Sierra Club member, and input from the members is welcomed. Contact one of the Excom members or your group chairman for the specific location of the next meeting. Meetings normally begin at 1:00 PM on Saturday with an information and discussion session, and a business meeting on Sunday morning. Saturday evening is reserved for a sociable event where local Sierrans can get to know (and lobby) the members of the Excom and other Chapter leaders.



CHAPTER EXCOM ELECTION RESULTS

The winners in the Rio Grande Chapter Executive Committee election were Carol Cochran and John Colburn of Albuquerque and Dan Jones of Socorro. Cochran and Jones were elected for their first three-year terms, replacing Ed Burns and Phyllenore Howard who declined to run again. Colburn was elected to a full three-year term after having been appointed to fill a vacancy on the ExCom.

GROUP NEWS

FOUR CORNERS GROUP FORMED

Sierra Club members in San Juan County, New Mexico, have organized a Regional Group as a part of the Rio Grande Chapter. The members elected Diane Paolazzi, Kathryn Gallagher, Hank Taylor, and Gale Krause of Farmington and Pete Denetclaw of Bloomfield to be the Group Executive Committee and chose the name "Four Corners Group of the Rio Grande Chapter of the Sierra Club" for the group's name.

The Executive Committee (Excom) will meet to select a chairman, vice-chairman, and secretary from the elected members and to name other group leaders, including a treasurer, conservation chairman, and membership chairman. All positions except those of chairman, vice-chairman, and secretary can be filled by any member of the group, not just by Excom members.

The Excom is preparing By-laws which will be mailed out to all Sierra club members in San Juan County for approval. If the By-laws are approved by two-thirds of the members casting a ballot, the Four Corners Group will then apply to the Chapter Excom for official Group status.

The Chapter Excom will meet in Farmington on April 7-8 and will approve the Four Corners Group if the By-laws have been approved by the members. In addition to approving the Four Corners Group, the Chapter Excom will conduct its normal business meeting. All Sierra Club members are invited to attend the Excom meeting. A pot-luck dinner is being planned for Saturday evening, April 7, so that the Excom members and Four Corners Group members can become acquainted.

In addition to a schedule of monthly meetings, the group has planned outings and a service project to clean up Jackson Lake Park. For information about the activities of the Four Corners Group, contact Diane Paolazzi (326-3789), Kathryn Gallagher (327-0727), Hank Taylor (325-3756), or Pete Denetclaw (632-8606).

Plans are being made for the Four Corners Group to cooperate with a Sierra Club group being established in the Durango, Colorado, area of the Rocky Mountain Chapter. This cooperation will include combined outings, coordination of environmental action, and mutual support. Because of the distance between these two groups and other groups in the respective chapters, Charles Oriez of the Sierra Club's Membership Committee conceived the plan so that the groups could benefit from mutual support, despite the chapter/state line between them. Other Sierrans in the Grand Canyon and Utah chapters living near the Four Corners will be invited to join in the activities of these groups.



SANTA FE GROUP NEWS

by Jack Kenney

Our winter activities are diverse--outside and inside. Committee assignments for 1984 are listed elsewhere in this newsletter. Our winter hikes highlight cross-country ski trips, the monthly "Moonlight Hikes" and our second annual "Snow Caving and Cross-country Ski" weekend near Chama, as well as the usual Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday hikes. Twelve members graduated from the Red Cross CPR class arranged by Norma McCallan. Members have been active in lobbying and related activities during the New Mexico legislative session, in supporting Carol Cochran in her mountain lion protection efforts, and getting ready for the 1984 primary/election season.

The Santa Fe National Forest ad hoc group is alive and well. Priorities now are preparing for possible comments on a "revised" plan possibly due after the administrative deadlock resulting from the withdrawal of the October record of decision, and in proceeding with the development of a monitoring plan for whatever Plan ensues.



SOUTHWESTERN NEW MEXICO GROUP NEWS

by June Price

Urban affairs: Our group is involved in community affairs. At our January meeting, the Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce presented us with a plaque for helping with city cleanup day. This day kicked off a long-term campaign to beautify the city and included long-range planning and education in addition to "picking up." Pam Mack accepted the plaque for the Group. Both the Chamber of Commerce and a private businessman have expressed interest in a recycling center for solid waste disposal. If the community could be made aware of the benefits of a recycling center now while the city is still planning the new sewage treatment plant, it would be a great step for Las Cruces. A Draft Comprehensive Plan for the City of Las Cruces has just been published and our February General Meeting will feature the City Planning Director speaking on the environmental statements in the Plan. Our Southwestern Group is also a co-sponsor for a City Commissioners Candidates' Forum. The Sierra Club's Don Dearholt is organizing the forum.

Wilderness: The Interior Board of Land Appeals recently ruled on appeals of the Las Cruces District's 1980 Wilderness Study Area decisions. The Board reversed the District's decision on three areas and asked that it reconsider three others. Areas to be reinventoried with consideration for new criteria for evaluation include the Florida Mounts, the Cedar Mountains and the Las Uvas Mountains. Reinstated as WSAs are Presilla, Antelope and 6000 acres of the Sierra Ladrones WSA, all in the Socorro Resource Area.

EL PASO GROUP NEWS

by John Hamilton

As do each of the other groups, we have a newly organized executive committee. Mike Spurlock was selected as our chairman for this year. Mike has served during the past year and vice chairman and conservation coordinator. We are particularly pleased to have Mike as chairman because he leads by example; when there has been a "nuts and bolts" job to do, Mike was there. Tom Brasfield and Rollin Wickenden were reelected to the ExComm, and Trudy Berman won election to the committee.

In keeping with the time of year, we in El Paso have turned our thoughts to the brown haze which passes for air in our city during the winter. Air quality was the theme for the February program. Two members of the mayor's task force on carbon monoxide pollution shared star billing with a film on the health hazards of breathing...too much lead, ozone, etc.

We have also joined a coalition with the League of Women Voters and Audobon Society to combat problems of local air pollution. We have been successful in giving this problem greater community visibility. This past January, we participated in a prime-time television program which brought the public up to date on the state of the problem. In March we will participate in and co-sponsor a symposium on instituting a mandatory vehicular emission inspection program.

Our SCCOPE chairman, Tom Brasfield is organizing for the '84 elections. He recently attended a Lone Star sponsored SCCOPE workshop in Austin. We are looking to be even more effective than we were in the '82 elections.

The ICO program is reaching out to people of all ages and circumstances so that they may share a wilderness experience. In March we are leading an outing for the El Paso Mental Health and Mental Retardation Center.

We like to be involved in various service projects. Most recently, Sue Behra led an outing to remove graffiti from the rocks around Cottonwood Springs in the Franklin mountains. It gives me special pleasure to note some of the best work was done by two local high school students.

The service work goes on, but fund raising continues to be the well we dip into for the necessary money. Jay Owen and Sabine Chrisman have been successful in our calendar sale and thus keeping our budget in the black.



PROPOSED CHANGES TO RIO GRANDE CHAPTER BY-LAWS

These changes to the Rio Grande Chapter By-laws are proposed to bring the Chapter into compliance with the By-laws and regulations of the Sierra Club and California corporate laws.

The changed sections are designated by a vertical line in the left margin adjacent to the changed lines. The key letter matches the explanatory paragraph below.

A - These added two sentences permit regional groups of the Chapter to designate a voting member of the Chapter Executive Committee and an alternate member, if the group desires to do so. RATIONALE: This is to comply with Sierra Club policy.

B - Increases the number of signatures required to nominate a candidate for the Chapter Executive Committee from fifteen (15) to fifty (50) and increases the number of days the petition must be submitted before the election from twenty-one (21) to twenty-eight (28). RATIONALE: When the Chapter had fewer than 1500 members, fifteen signatures represented more than one percent (1%) of the membership. Now with more than 3500 members and anticipated growth, fifty (50) represents approximately the same proportion. The increased number of days prior to the date of the election eliminates a conflict with the provision that ballots must be sent out twenty-one (21) days prior to the date of the election.

C - This added section enables the members of the Chapter to remove a member of the Executive Committee from office and to elect a replacement. RATIONALE: This insures compliance with California corporate law.

A vote for the approval of the changes is for the proposed changes only. If the proposed changes are not approved by two-thirds (2/3) of the members voting, the existing By-laws remain in force.

REVISED CHAPTER BY-LAWS

The by-laws in the adjacent columns are the latest version containing changes made necessary by Sierra Club policies and California corporate law. (Yes, Virginia, the Sierra Club is a California corporation, and even we New Mexicans and Texans must obey the applicable California laws.) There are also some housekeeping and stylistic changes.

The substantive changes are indicated by a vertical line and a code letter at the left of the lines containing such changes. Housekeeping and stylistic changes are not shown.

The changes are explained in the box below. The explanations are keyed to the code letters of the applicable sections of the By-laws.

Please read the By-laws and keep this page for future reference.

After you have read the By-laws, cut out the ballot, mark it showing you approve or disapprove of the changes in the By-laws, place it in a stamped envelope, and mail the ballot to:

CHAPTER BY-LAWS
207 SAN PEDRO NE
ALBUQUERQUE NM 87108

BALLOTS MUST BE RECEIVED BY
MARCH 15, 1984.

In the event the changes are not approved by two-thirds of the members casting ballots, the existing By-laws will remain in effect, but most of the changes will have to be voted on again and approved or the Chapter might lose its accreditation.



DO YOU HAVE A SIERRA CLUB MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION IN YOUR POCKET OR PURSE? COULD YOU INVITE A FRIEND TO BECOME A MEMBER TODAY?

Cut the application out of this issue of the Sierran and have it copied so you will always have one with you--or ask your Group Membership Chairman for one of the handy pocket packs of ten membership applications and get ten friends to join.

CHAPTER FUND APPEAL

The annual "window" for the Rio Grande Chapter fund appeal is here, and each of you will be receiving a letter asking for financial help to keep the Chapter running for the coming year. Your donations make successful conservation action in New Mexico and west Texas possible.

With the resignation of James G. Watt as Secretary of the Interior and a "cosmetic" softening of the administration's environmental hardline, many people feel that the fight has been won. However, to paraphrase somebody or other, "We have not yet begun to fight."

Among the fights that loom on the environmental horizon are supersonic flights over Catron County, challenges to coal, gas, and oil leasing in wilderness and wilderness study areas, lobbying for improved environmental laws in the legislature during the special session and the "long" session in January 1985, clean air and water, wildlife protection, and many more. All of these battles take money as well as work--neither will do the job alone.

When you get your appeal letter, you will have three opportunities to help:

1. A contribution to the Chapter's general fund which can be used for any purpose and is not tax-deductible.
2. A contribution to the Sierra Club Foundation which may be used for educational and other non-legislative purposes and IS tax-deductible, and
3. A contribution to the Sierra Club Committee on Political Education (SCOPE) which will be used to help elect candidates who will help preserve and improve our environment and quality of life. SCOPE donations are not tax-deductible and must be made by a separate check.

With continually rising costs for travel, stationery, postage, telephone service, etc. the basic costs of running the Chapter and the groups is great than ever before, and only your contribution will make effective Sierra Club operation possible in the Rio Grande Chapter area.

So, be generous. In the long run, it's for your own good.

Oh yes--you can make a contribution to any of these funds at any time. So if you get an income tax refund, a bonus, an inheritance, or any other windfall, why not share some of it with the Sierra Club? You'll be doing more good with your good fortune that way than almost any other contribution you could make.

CHAPTER CHAIRMAN'S COMMENT: As you may have detected from Denny Shaffer's report, the Sierra Club is having some financial difficulties. These are primarily due to a drop in the renewal rate of members who seem to have equated the resignation of James Watt with happy days for the environment. Don't you believe it!

Watt and Gorsuch-Burford may be gone from the Washington scene, but the guy who hired them--and approved of virtually everything they did--is still there, and he hasn't changed a bit. The same threats to the environment continue, but now he has smoother operators working for him.

BALLOT

I APPROVE OF THE CHANGES IN THE RIO GRANDE CHAPTER BY-LAWS AS PUBLISHED IN THE FEBRUARY-MARCH 1984 ISSUE OF THE RIO GRANDE SIERRAN

I DISAPPROVE OF THE CHANGES IN THE RIO GRANDE CHAPTER BY-LAWS AS PUBLISHED IN THE FEBRUARY-MARCH 1984 ISSUE OF THE RIO GRANDE SIERRAN

AFTER MARKING YOUR BALLOT, CUT IT OUT, PLACE IT IN A STAMPED ENVELOPE AND MAIL IT TO:

CHAPTER BY-LAWS
207 SAN PEDRO NE
ALBUQUERQUE NM 87108

BALLOTS MUST BE RECEIVED BY MARCH 25, 1984

RIO GRANDE CHAPTER OF THE SIERRA CLUB

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I
ORGANIZATION, MEMBERSHIP, AND PURPOSE

Section 1. This Chapter is constituted by action of the Board of Directors of the Sierra Club in accordance with and subject to the provisions of the By-laws of the Sierra Club. This Chapter is an integral part of the Sierra Club and is governed by its By-laws; it is not a separate legal entity.

Section 2. The name of this Chapter is Rio Grande Chapter of the Sierra Club, and the formation of the Chapter was approved May 5, 1963, by the Board of Directors of the Sierra Club, hereinafter referred to as the Board of Directors.

Section 3. The territorial boundaries of this Chapter shall be as specified from time to time by the Board of Directors, with due consideration of the wishes of members of the Sierra Club residing within the proposed boundaries.

Section 4. The purposes of this Chapter are to foster within its territorial limits the purposes of the Sierra Club, as stated in its By-laws.

Section 5. The members of this Chapter shall be those members of the Sierra Club in good standing who reside within the territorial limits of the Chapter, except as otherwise provided in the By-laws of the Sierra Club.

ARTICLE II
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Section 1. The management of the affairs and activities of this Chapter shall be in the hands of an Executive Committee of elected and designated members. Nine (9) members shall be elected at-large by the membership of the Chapter for staggered terms of three (3) years each. Members elected to the Committee shall take office at the first regular meeting in January following their election. After the first election following adoption of these By-laws, members of the Committee shall by lot determine which three members' terms shall be for one (1) year, and which shall be for two (2) years, in order to start the sequence of staggered terms. In addition to the nine members elected at-large by the entire Chapter membership, each regional Group may designate one voting member of the Chapter Executive Committee. A Group may also designate an alternate for its delegate, who may vote in the absence of the delegate.

Section 2. A vacancy shall be filled for the unexpired term by vote of the remaining members of the Executive Committee, except as provided when the vacancy results from recall in a special election.

Section 3. A majority of the Committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. All actions of the Committee shall be by majority vote of those present and voting except that by consent of those present, a vote communicated by an absent member may be counted.

Section 4. Regular stated meetings of the Committee shall be held at a time and place to be specified by the Committee. Special meetings may be called by the Chairman, or by any three members of the Committee. Due notice of special meetings or of any change in the time or place of stated meetings shall be given to all members of the Committee.

Section 5. All meetings of the Committee shall be open to attendance by any member of the Club in good standing.

Section 6. The Committee may make such rules and regulations as it may in its discretion determine to be necessary to carry out the purposes of the Chapter.

Section 7. Any Executive Committee member absent from more than three meetings per year shall automatically be dropped from the Committee unless reinstated by the unanimous vote of the remaining members present at the next regular Executive Committee meeting.

Section 8. Only the Executive Committee or those specifically authorized by it shall act in the name of the Chapter. The Committee shall have the authority to make rules and regulations for carrying out the procedures established by these By-laws. Actions of the Chapter must be consistent with the purposes of the Club and the policies and directives of the Board.

Section 9. If any dispute arises over the calling or the conduct of a meeting, or over any act of the Executive Committee, the Sierra Club Council may determine the procedures to be followed or require reconsideration.

ARTICLE III
NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

Section 1. An election to choose members of the Executive Committee, including the Chapter's representative to the Sierra Club Council, shall be held annually in the fourth quarter of the calendar year, with a closing date for receipt of ballots specified by the Executive Committee. Beginning with the election to be held in late 1984, and for each election thereafter when a vacancy exists, one (1) member of the Executive Committee shall be elected by the membership of the Chapter to fill the office of Sierra Club Council Representative. The annual election, as well as all special elections, shall be conducted by written ballot mailed to all members at least three (3) weeks before the closing date of the election.

Section 2. Special elections may be held by order of the Executive Committee, or of the Board of Directors, or upon a petition signed by twenty percent (20%) or more of the members of the Chapter. The order of petitions shall state the issues to be voted upon in proper form for a ballot.

Section 3. All elections shall be by written ballot mailed to the members of the Chapter and shall be conducted in such a manner as to facilitate voting and secrecy of ballot.

Section 4. A Nominating Committee of at least three (3) members of the Chapter shall be appointed by the Executive Committee not later than four (4) months before the date of the annual elections. Sufficient opportunity shall be given for members of the Chapter to submit names for consideration by the Nominating Committee.

Section 5. The Nominating Committee shall nominate at least two (2) candidates more than the number of candidates required to fill Executive Committee vacancies. When a Council Representative is to be elected, at least two (2) individuals shall be nominated for the office of Council Representative. The name of any member of the Chapter proposed in writing by fifty (50) members of the Chapter at least twenty-eight (28) days before the date of the election shall be included in the ballot as a candidate.

Section 6. The Secretary shall cause ballots to be mailed to the members not later than twenty-one (21) days before the date of the election. Each ballot mailing shall include a brief biography of each candidate's conservation experience and a brief statement of his/her conservation philosophy and goals for the Chapter. Ballots when returned shall be directed to the Secretary who shall hold them unopened until the closing hour, when they shall be turned over to the Election Committee.

Section 7. An Election Committee of not less than three (3) members shall be appointed by the Executive Committee to canvass the ballots and report the results to the Secretary and to the Executive Committee. Neither nominees nor members of the Executive Committee may serve on the Election Committee. Ballots shall be retained until their destruction is directed by the Executive Committee. All ties shall be resolved by lot, in the presence of the candidates or their authorized representatives.

Section 8. Upon petition to the Executive Committee signed by twenty percent (20%) or more of the members of the Chapter, an election to remove a member of the Executive Committee shall be held. A quorum for such an election shall be five percent (5%) of the membership of the Chapter, and a majority vote of at least two-thirds (2/3) of those voting is required to remove a member of the Executive Committee. If a member of the Executive Committee is so removed, the remainder of the unexpired term is to be filled within three (3) months by a special election utilizing the same procedures as for the annual election of members of the Executive Committee. Whenever possible, and if a delay of not more than an additional two (2) months is entailed, special elections should be held in conjunction with the annual election.

ARTICLE IV
OFFICERS

Section 1. The Executive Committee, at the first regular meeting in January of each year, shall elect from its membership the following officers, who shall also be officers of the Chapter: a Chairman, a Vice-chairman, a Secretary, and a Treasurer. The office of Secretary and Treasurer may, at the discretion of the Committee, be combined.

The officers so elected shall serve until their successors have qualified. The duties of the respective officers shall be those customary for the respective offices. At the discretion of the Committee, a Treasurer who is not an Executive Committee member may be designated from the Chapter membership.

Section 2. The Committee shall have the power to change its officers and fill a vacancy in any office.

ARTICLE V
REPRESENTATIVES

Section 1. One (1) of the members of the Executive Committee will serve as the Chapter's representative to the Sierra Club Council. This individual shall be elected specifically for the Executive Committee office of Council Representative and shall serve as Council Representative during the entire three year term. A minimum of two (2) persons shall be nominated, according to the procedures set forth in Article III, for the office of Council Representative. The person receiving the most votes will be the Council Representative and a member of the Executive Committee. The person receiving the next higher number of votes will be the Alternate Council Representative, but is not automatically a member of the Executive Committee. In addition, the Executive Committee shall appoint delegates to the Southwest Regional Conservation Committee (SWRCC).

Section 2. Delegates or alternates shall report to the Executive Committee at its next meeting subsequent to each meeting of the Council and the SWRCC.

Section 3. The Committee shall have the power to change its appointed representatives at any time.

ARTICLE VI
COMMITTEES

Section 1. Standing committees and special committees shall be established by the Executive Committee for such objectives as it may designate within the purposes of the Club and the Chapter. Members of a committee shall be appointed by the Chapter Chairman from among the members of the Chapter, subject to the approval of the Executive Committee, and shall serve until discharged. Committee chairmen shall be designated by the Chapter Chairman at the time the committee is appointed. The Chairman of the Chapter, or another member of the Executive Committee designated by the Chairman to substitute temporarily or regularly, shall be an ex-officio member of each committee except the Nominating and Election Committee with the right to vote. Standing committees shall be appointed annually; they shall include a Conservation Committee and a Membership Committee. Except for the Nominating and Election committee (where it may only fill naturally occurring vacancies), the Executive Committee may at any time add members to a committee and recall or replace any of its members. Committees not mandated by these By-laws may be discharged by the Executive Committee at any time.

Section 2. The chairman of each committee shall regularly report to and consult with the Chapter Chairman and the Executive Committee. Each committee shall submit an annual report to the Executive Committee.

Section 3. The Conservation Committee of the Chapter shall further the conservation objectives of the Club within the Chapter boundaries, assist national and regional Club actions, and supervise specific conservation action programs as authorized by the Executive Committee. The Conservation Committee, or the Executive Committee, may create issue and action committees which report to the Conservation Committee, and to the Executive Committee as requested.

Section 4. The Membership Committee of the Chapter shall maintain a roll of current members, shall assist in national efforts to recruit and retain members, and shall be responsible, under the direction of the Executive Committee, for recruiting new members and for welcoming new members and encouraging them to participate in Club and Chapter activities.

Section 5. The Executive Committee shall also arrange for the publication, at least quarterly, of a Chapter newsletter, to be distributed to all members of the Chapter, giving notice and reporting proceedings of the Executive Committee, Chapter meetings, elections, and other news. The Executive Committee shall annually appoint an Editor for the newsletter, to serve at the pleasure and direction of the Committee until a successor is appointed. It is understood that a portion of the dues allocated to the Chapter by the Board of Directors is intended to assist in the publication of the newsletter.

ARTICLE VII
GROUPS

Section 1. Groups of Chapter members residing in a contiguous geographical region within the territorial boundaries of this Chapter may form regional Groups, subject to the approval of By-laws and to rules and regulations specified by the Executive Committee and by the Sierra Club Council.

Section 2. Chapter members interested in special activities consistent with the purposes of the Club, such as natural history, rock-climbing, or skiing, or in promoting activities consistent with the purposes of the Club which are particularly appropriate for subsets of Club membership, such as juniors, students, singles, young families, or senior citizens, may form Sections within the Chapter for the encouragement and pursuit of these activities, subject to regulations approved by the Executive Committee.

Section 3. Regional Groups and special activity Sections shall submit an annual report of their activities to the Chapter Executive Committee.

ARTICLE VIII
FINANCES

Section 1. The Chapter is entitled to receive from the Club a portion of the dues collected from the membership, in a manner specified by the Board of Directors, but the Chapter itself may not assess or collect dues from its members or charge its members for subscription to the Chapter newsletter. The Chapter may also receive funds allotted by the Board of Directors for specific purposes. The Chapter may receive contributions directly, but, since the Chapter is an entity of the Club, its expenditure of such contributions shall be consistent with any policy and instructions of the Board of Directors.

Section 2. Neither the Chapter nor any agency thereof shall have the authority to borrow money, enter into a contract, or otherwise incur indebtedness above the amount of unencumbered balances in bank accounts and cash on hand appropriated therefor, without express approval in advance by the Board of Directors.

Section 3. The Executive Committee shall have the authority to open bank accounts and to regulate the withdrawal therefrom. Bank accounts shall be in the name of the Chapter.

Section 4. The Treasurer of the Chapter, under the general approval of the Executive Committee, shall have custody of all moneys belonging to the Chapter. He shall deposit all cash received in a bank account, from which it shall be withdrawn only in accordance with regulations prescribed by the Executive Committee.

Section 5. The Treasurer shall keep proper books of account and, annually and at such other times as may be required, submit to the Executive Committee a report of receipts and disbursements and the financial condition of the Chapter.

Section 6. The fiscal year of the Chapter shall coincide with the fiscal year of the Club.

Section 7. As soon as practicable after the close of the fiscal year, the Executive Committee shall cause an audit to be made of the accounts and shall render a financial report to the Board of Directors. At the same time, the Executive Committee shall cause a budget to be prepared for the upcoming fiscal year.

Section 8. The Executive Committee may delegate financial authority, subject to these By-laws and Club By-laws, to Chapter entities, but it retains responsibility and control. Any such entity must provide regular and satisfactory accounting to the Chapter Treasurer and the Chapter Executive Committee.

ARTICLE IX
CONSTRUCTION AND AMENDMENTS

Section 1. All questions as to the construction or meaning of these By-laws are first to be referred to the Chapter Executive Committee for decision. Appeals from such a decision may be taken to the Sierra Club Council, thence to the Board of Directors at their discretion. The decisions of the highest of these entities which chooses to act shall be final. All procedures not prescribed by these By-laws or the By-laws of the Club shall be governed by Roberts' Rules of Order, Revised.

Section 2. These By-laws are fundamental and shall not be added to, amended, or repealed except by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Chapter Executive Committee and a two-thirds (2/3) vote of all mail ballots cast in an annual or special election, followed or preceded by approval of the Sierra Club Council. However, with a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Chapter Executive Committee and the approval of the Sierra Club Council, these By-laws may be changed to remain consistent with changes in the Club By-laws.

"IN PRAISE OF MOUNTAIN LIONS"

Nearly 600 people gathered in Albuquerque's KiMo Theater Friday evening, February 17, to hear Edward Abbey and John Nichols read from their works in praise of New Mexico's mountain lions. Sponsored by the Chapter's Wildlife Committee, the program was intended to raise the public's consciousness about the mountain, and that it did!

Carol Cochran, Wildlife Committee chairwoman, began the program by explaining the plight of the mountain lion in New Mexico and the attempts of various interests to exterminate the lion because it chooses a meal of mutton or baby beef once in a while to vary its normal diet of venison, rabbit, and assorted small animals. Citing a study by Dr. Wain Evans of the Game and Fish Department that showed we know very little about Felis concolor, its numbers and habits, Cochran stated the Rio Grande Chapter's position on management of the mountain lion:

1. A moratorium on lion hunting, both for sport and for predator control, until more is known about the status of the mountain lion in the state;

2. Support for Dr. Evans' recommendations to reduce the lion hunting season from eleven months to two, reducing the bag limit from two lions to one, closing 2/3 of the statewide lion habitat to hunting so that the lions will have permanent refuge, discontinuing killing lions to protect other wildlife, and further study of the mountain lion;

3. Development of alternative, non-lethal methods of predator control, including improved husbandry of livestock; and

4. Further study of the mountain lion, but without delaying implementation of these recommendations.

Edward Abbey, author of such classics as Desert Solitaire, Abbey's Road, Journey Home, and The Monkey Wrench Gang, spoke next and advocating eating Toss beef. He stated, "I could imagine myself living in a world without cows, but I can't imagine myself living in a world without mountain lions." Abbey concluded his portion of the program by reading his essay "Let Us Now Praise Mountain Lions."

John Nichols, author of The New Mexico Trilogy, including The Milagro Beanfield War, The Magic Journey, and The Nirvana Blues; The Sterile cuckoo; and If Mountains Die, followed and read a new and unpublished essay giving his feelings about wildlife in general and the mountain lion in particular. While he has never seen a mountain lion in the wild, Nichols believes that the knowledge that they are out there greatly enhances his wilderness experiences. A confirmed trout fisherman, he said that he would trade several days of fishing in the Rio Grande Gorge for just a glimpse of a mountain lion in its native habitat.

The program concluded with the spectacular film, "Predators." Produced by Marty Stouffer and narrated by Robert Redford, the film explained the place of predators, from the weasel to the mountain lion, in Nature's scheme of things.

A reception for Abbey and Nichols followed the rally at the KiMo.

--John Colburn--

CHAPTER HISTORY LESSON

"FRIEND OR FOE?"

"It would be impractical to consider the mountain lion from only one of many aspects. The livestock operator looks upon the mountain lion as a predator and a threat to his livelihood. The big game hunter looks upon the mountain lion as a big game trophy animal deserving of management along with other big game animals. The preservationist considers the mountain lion in a purely passive manner as a way to maintain the balance of nature.

"We all realize that the mountain lion is a large, carnivorous animal and, as such, must kill a significant number of animals each year for food. Some sportsmen begrudge any killing of deer; stockmen begrudge any loss to their annual income. The mountain lion is no different from any other predatory carnivour, it takes whatever food is most convenient."

The above is an excerpt from a past issue of The Rio Grande Sierran.

That's the lesson. Now the test:

1. Who wrote the quotation?
2. When did it appear?

[See the correct answer at the bottom of this page. HINT: Carol Cochran did NOT write it.]



A FOREST PLAN FOR THE FOREST NEAR YOU by Ned Sudborough

Below are forest names and scheduled appearance dates of Draft Environmental Impact Statements and Proposed Forest Plans for each of the national forests in the Chapter's area:

CIBOLA Natl. Forest	Aug. 1, 1984
LINCOLN Natl. Forest	Sept 1, 1984
CARSON Natl. Forest	Dec. 1, 1984
GILA Natl. Forest	Mar. 1, 1985

You will have 90 days after issuance in which to comment. Comments will be reviewed by the Forest Service and may influence the Final Forest Plan.

To monitor these plans, address inquiries to the Information Officer:

CIBOLA Natl. Forest, 10308 Candelaria NE, Albuquerque, 87112, 766-2185
LINCOLN Natl. Forest, Federal Bldg., 11th & N.Y., Alamogordo, 88310, 437-6030

CARSON Natl. Forest, Forest Service Bldg., P.O. Box 558 Taos, 87571, 758-2237

GILA Natl. Forest, 2610 N. Silver St. Silver City, 88061, 388-1986.

To prepare, contact the Forest Committee of the Santa Fe Group. The Committee has followed development of the Santa Fe Forest Plan and read the appeals of the Plan. The committee can supply you with a set of appeals for the cost of copying, and will meet with you if you wish. Contact Myles Brown, Chairman, Forest Committee, 3321 La Avenida de San Marcos, Santa Fe, NM, 87501, (471-5075)

UPDATE: NEW MEXICO BLM WILDERNESS STUDY

by Judy Bishop

The Interior Board of Land Appeals (IBLA) ruled in our favor on five area Prescilla and Antelope are to be put back into the study as WSAs (Wilderness Study Areas), additional acreage will be added onto the Ladrones WSA and BLM must reevaluate the boundaries on the Cedar Mountains WSA and reevaluate the recommendation on the Florida Mountain Prescilla, Antelope and the Ladrones are located near Socorro. The Cedars and Floridas are located in the southwestern part of the state.

The latest proposed study schedule from BLM is as follows:

March 20: draft EA's for Presilla and Antelope WSAs released for public comment.

April 20: public comment period ends
June 11: final district wilderness EA's released

July 19: statewide EIS scoping meetings completed.

Nov. 26: draft EIS released.

Feb. 22, 1985: comment period ends

May 5, 1985: preliminary final EIS to Washington Office.

This summer could prove to be a very busy time with the scoping meetings being held for the DEIS (Draft Environmental Impact Statement). This is a time for citizen input. We need people to attend their local scoping meeting and to show BLM we care about the wilderness study that is taking place about preserving and protecting the lands being studied. The Sierra Club and other organizations involved in the BLM wilderness study process are starting to develop the environmentalists' Alternative W, much as was done for RARE II, the Forest Service Wilderness Bill. A slide show is being prepared and should be ready by mid-March. The slide show will attempt to answer all those questions everyone has about the BLM wilderness study and study areas. To have it shown in your area, contact Judy Bishop, 3005 Calle Quieta, Santa Fe, NM 87505, (505)-471-4439.

If you still want to adopt a BLM WSA for your very own, contact Judy Bishop. All our areas have been adopted by at least one person, but we can always use more help on the wilderness study the more the merrier. Plan an outing to your favorite WSA and invite others to go and get to know the area. Plan to attend the scoping meetings this summer and let BLM know that you care about BLM wilderness and want to see those special areas preserved and protected.



HISTORY TEST ANSWERS

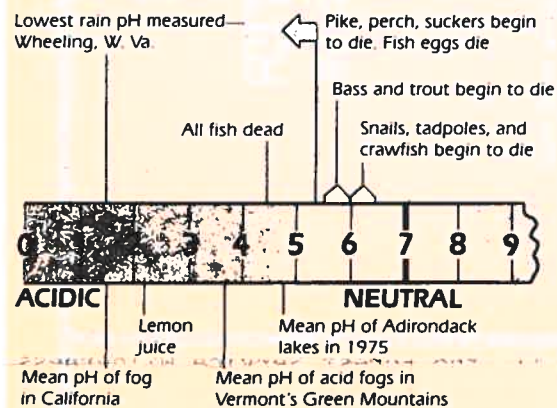
1. The author was Bill Huey, New Mexico Department of Game and Fish.
2. August 1969.



The problem of acid rain worsens every day. The rain in the eastern U.S. and pockets in the West averages 30 to 40 times more acidic than normal. Over the last 30 years emissions of sulfur dioxide and nitrogen oxides have doubled.

- The National Academy of Sciences estimates that acid rain costs the eastern U.S. \$5 billion a year in damages.
- Thousands of lakes and streams in North America are already dead, with 9,000 lakes and 60,000 miles of streams at the critical stage.
- Acid rain leaches toxic metals into drinking water supplies from the ground and from metal pipes.
- Sulfates from sulfur dioxide emissions threaten public health, especially those with lung disease, the elderly, and children.
- Acid rain is causing \$2 billion a year in damages to buildings and monuments.
- Forests are suffering from stunted growth and die-back, and scientists believe acid rain is the culprit.

The pH Scale and Acid Rain



The only way to stop acid rain is to stop it at its source — primarily sulfur dioxide emissions from coal-fired power plants. The National Academy of Sciences recommends that acid deposition be cut by 50%. This means reducing annual sulfur dioxide emissions by 12 million tons in the eastern U.S. Contrary to industry propaganda, we can do that while protecting jobs — and at reasonable cost.

The central focus of the debate about acid rain in the Senate is S. 768, a comprehensive reauthorization of the Clean Air Act that is essentially the same as a bill approved by the Environment & Public Works Committee during 1981 but not passed by the full Senate. It would require the reduction of only 8 million tons of sulfur dioxide emissions over a 12-year period, and it would actually relax controls on smelters in the West. We believe that a much greater reduction is necessary, and we support a bill by Sen. Robert Stafford (R-VT), S. 769, which would require a 12-million-ton reduction over a 15-year period.

Pollutants In The Air

In addition to the sulfates that form acid rain, billions of pounds of potentially toxic chemicals are also spewed into our air every year, chemicals that may cause cancer and birth defects. Production of synthetic organic chemicals has increased 30 fold in the last 40 years, and chemical carcinogens in urban air have been measured at 15 to 30 times above naturally occurring levels. Up to 21% of lung cancers — 20,000 cases per year — may be preventable by better control of air pollution. The Environmental Protection Agency has been studying 37 toxic air pollutants, 11 of which are believed to cause cancer, for over six years. Thus far, it has identified and regulated only four of them.

We must break this bureaucratic logjam. The Clean Air Act must be amended to accelerate the control of toxic air pollutants. The EPA should be given deadlines for assessing the pollutants of priority concern. If the EPA delays, these pollutants should automatically be considered hazardous and then regulated. Standards should be set to protect public health, at a minimum requiring the use of the best pollution control equipment now available.

Senator Max Baucus (D-MT) has introduced legislation requiring the EPA to determine which of the more than 40 priority toxic pollutants are hazardous and to regulate industrial emissions of them within five years. **This bill, S. 2159, is cosponsored by senators Gary Hart (D-CO) and David Durenberger (R-MN), and we strongly support it.**

What You Can Do

The Stafford Acid Rain Control Bill and the Baucus Toxic Air Pollutants Bill are not going to succeed unless members of Congress can be persuaded to expedite consideration of clean air legislation. Utilities, chemical companies, and other industries are fighting to prevent any clean air legislation from moving during 1984.

Because one of our senators is a member of the Environment & Public Works Committee (see list below), he holds the key. **Please write to him as soon as possible.**

- Urge consideration of clean air legislation early in 1984;
- Ask for his support of S. 769, the Stafford Acid Rain Control Bill, and ask him to oppose provisions on S. 768 that would relax sulfur dioxide emissions in the West. (Present cosponsors of S. 769 are indicated on the committee list by an *; thank them for their support.)

- Ask him to cosponsor the Baucus Toxic Air Pollutants Bill, S. 2159.

Unless the members of this Senate committee are impressed with the need to deal with the acid rain and toxic air pollutant problems, action will be unlikely in 1984. Only your letters to your senator can prompt action. Senators, particularly those up for reelection, pay particular attention to the concerns of voters.

**Address: Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510**

Republicans

Robert Stafford (VT)
Howard Baker (TN)
John Chafee (RI)
Alan Simpson (WY)
James Abdnor (SD)
Steve Symms (ID)
Pete Domenici (NM)
David Durenberger* (MN)
Gordon Humphrey (NH)

Democrats

Jennings Randolph (WV)
Lloyd Bentsen (TX)
Quentin Burdick (ND)
Gary Hart* (CO)
Daniel Moynihan (NY)
George Mitchell (ME)
Max Baucus* (MT)
Present cosponsors of S. 769 are indicated by an *



WRI Water Conference by Patty Adam

The annual water conference sponsored by the NM Water Resources Research Institute will be held on Thursday and Friday, April 26 & 27, at Las Cruces on the campus of NM State University.

The conference will bring together information about the uncertain legal situations faced by the State of New Mexico in control of its water resources brought about by the Supreme Court decision in the case of Sporhase and Nebraska. In this 1982 opinion, a long-standing New Mexico water law placing an embargo on the exportation of water of our state was declared illegal, and that water was an article of interstate commerce and subject to regulation by Congress.

Since most of New Mexico's surface water has already been appropriated, unappropriated ground water is agreed to be the logical target for neighboring, more affluent states to solve their approaching water shortages. The Sporhase case forbids economic protectionism and allows states to favor citizens only for human survival. New Mexico uses only about 10% of its current supply for health and safety needs but expects its need to grow in the future with increasing population. Possible state action is for the state to seek national legislation to give states broader control over their own resources and to seek action from the courts on equitable apportionment.

The conference opens April 26 with an overview of NM water laws and a report from the NM Water Law Study Committee on its investigations of this last year. The afternoon session will cover current legal disputes with El Paso and Vermejo rivers.

On Friday, April 27, there will be a summary of laws affecting Indian water rights, including the Winters Doctrine and a discussion of the 17-year-old Aamodt case, which has just been heard in court. For further information, contact WRI, P.O. Box 3167, NMSU, Las Cruces, NM 88003; or call (505)646-4337.

CHAPTER SCOPE ACTIVITIES

by Jack Kenney

Your Chapter SCOPE Committee is concentrating on research on candidates for the US Senate and the three New Mexico congressional seats and the Texas congressional race. We will soon make a decision as to "targeted" races, and consider endorsements.

Meanwhile, NOW is the time to impact upon both the sensitivity of local candidates to environmental issues and an awareness by the public of such issues. We, as local groups or as individuals, should call candidate and media attention to those issues which we consider important, and request that the local primary candidates present their views to us on those issues.

The purpose is to create an awareness of the issues and the impact that the environmental vote can make. Three techniques are recommended: (1) arrange meetings with local candidates, (2) ask local candidates to respond to specific environmental issue questions, preferably local issues, and (3) request a copy of the candidates platform/position paper on environmental issues. **GET GOING!**



RIO GRANDE CHAPTER SIERRA CLUB

DIRECTORY

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

CHAIRMAN: John Colburn P.O. Box 37199, Albq NM 87176 883-8364	MEMBER: Jack Kenney 954 Santo Nino Pl, Santa Fe NM 87501 988-3205
VICE CHAIRMAN: James Owen 9905 Cork, El Paso TX 79925 (915) 598-9332	MEMBER: Ned Sudborough Rt 3 Box 668, Santa Fe NM 87501 982-5374
SECRETARY: Carol Cochran 1415 Phoenix NW, Albq NM 87107 345-1412	MEMBER: Norman Martin P.O. Box 207, Alamogordo NM 88310 437-2428
TREASURER: George Mader 8704 Catalpa Lane, El Paso TX 79925 (915) 778-4564	MEMBER: Ron Grotbeck 8812 Harwood NE, Albq NM 87111 296-0944
	MEMBER: Dan Jones 1201 Flor del Valle, Socorro NM 87801 835-2784

CHAPTER LEADERS AND COORDINATORS:

SIERRA CLUB COUNCIL	MEMBERSHIP: Ron Grotbeck (See above)
DELEGATE: Ron Grotbeck (See above)	PUBLIC LANDS: Judy Bishop (See above)
ALTERNATE: Jack Noel 1014 W Houghton St, Santa Fe NM 87501 982-2866	BLM: Judy Bishop (See above)
SOUTHWEST REGIONAL CONSERVATION COMMITTEE (SWRCC)	USFS: Myles Brown 3321 Ave. de San Marcos Santa Fe NM 87501, 471-5075
DELEGATES: John Colburn (See above)	NPS & FWS: John Sproul 601 W Yandell #25, El Paso TX 79902 (915) 545-5157
Dan Jones (See above)	Wilderness: George Grossman 1391 Santa Rosa Dr Santa Fe NM 87501, 982-1024
Judy Bishop	San Juan Basin Task Force: Jonathan Teague 1917 Gold SE, Albq NM 87108 243-1507
3005 Calle Quieta, Santa Fe NM 87501 471-4439	WILDLIFE: Carol Cochran (See above)
SIERRA CLUB COMMITTEE ON POLITICAL EDUCATION (SCCOPE)	AIR QUALITY: Kay Grotbeck (See above)
CHAIRMAN: Jack Kenney (See above)	WATER QUALITY: Patty Adam 416 Apodaca Hill, Santa Fe NM 87501 983-1949
Rio Grande Sierran	OUTINGS: James Owen (See above)
EDITOR: Barbara Davis Box 739, Sandia Park NM 87047 281-1248	
CONSERVATION: Dan Jones (See above)	
LEGISLATIVE: Kay Grotbeck 8812 Harwood NE, Albq NM 87111 296-0944	

REGIONAL GROUPS

ALBUQUERQUE: Chairman: Ron Grotbeck Office: 207 San Pedro NE, Albq NM 87108 265-5506	SANTA FE: Chairman: Jack Kenney 954 Santo Nino Pl Santa Fe NM 87501, 988-3205
EL PASO: Chairman: Michael Spurlock 6035 Camino Alegre, El Paso TX 79912 (915) 581-5354	SOUTHWESTERN NEW MEXICO: Chairman: James Graham P.O. Box 986 Mesilla Park NM 88047, 528-9293
FOUR CORNERS (San Juan County): Chairman: Diane Paolazzi 1200 W Apache, Farmington NM 87401 326-3789	TULAROSA BASIN: Chairman: Hal Reynolds 1817 College Ave, Alamogordo NM 88310, 437-0961

+++++

THE RIO GRANDE CHAPTER OF THE SIERRA CLUB
requests the pleasure of your company at
THE SECOND ANNUAL DINNER
honoring
THE TWENTY-FIRST ANNIVERSARY
OF THE RIO GRANDE CHAPTER
at seven o'clock
on Saturday, May 12, 1984,
at the Four Seasons Inn,
Interstate 40 and Carlisle Blvd. NE
Albuquerque, New Mexico

+++++

[WATCH THE NEXT ISSUE OF THE SIERRAN AND
YOUR GROUP NEWSLETTER FOR ADDITIONAL DETAILS]

YES, I want to join! Please enter a membership in the category checked below:

New Member Name _____
Address _____
Phone _____ Zip _____
Gift Membership: If you are giving this membership as a gift, please enter your name below
(we will send a special gift card in your name):
Donor Name _____
Address _____ Phone _____
Zip _____

Check here if you would like to be billed for renewal of this gift membership next year.

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES

	Individual	Joint
Regular	<input type="checkbox"/> \$29	<input type="checkbox"/> \$33
Supporting	<input type="checkbox"/> \$50	<input type="checkbox"/> \$54
Contributing	<input type="checkbox"/> \$100	<input type="checkbox"/> \$104
Life	<input type="checkbox"/> \$750 (per person)	
SPECIAL CATEGORIES		
Senior	<input type="checkbox"/> \$15	<input type="checkbox"/> \$19
Student	<input type="checkbox"/> \$15	<input type="checkbox"/> \$19
Spouse of Life	<input type="checkbox"/> \$15 (annual dues)	
Junior (through 14)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$15	

All dues include subscriptions to *Sierra* (\$3) and chapter publications (\$1).

Mail To: **Sierra Club**, Rio Grande G221
P.O. Box 7959, San Francisco, CA 94120