# Instituting a Plastic Bag Fee in Los Alamos County

LAHS Eco Club

### Who

- LAHS Eco Club
  - o Teacher Sponsor: Katie Tauxe
- Jody Benson
- Environmental Sustainability Board
- Zero Waste Board



#### What

- 10 cent fee on all plastic bags in Los Alamos and White Rock stores
- NOT a tax!
- A bag is an amenity provided by stores, consumers should pay for it



# Why

- 240,000 plastic bags are used around the world every 10 seconds
- The average plastic bag is only used for 12 minutes
- Only 1% of plastic bags are recycled



### How

- <u>Petition</u>
  - Send updates
- Talk to Smith's
- Letters to the Editor
- Talk to County Counselors



# Working with ESB

- Comments and concerns
- Ideas on how we can spread the petition
- Suggestions on who we can talk to within the county

