# In the Works...

July 2025 Staff Report





## ADMINISTRATION

Eric Martinez, Public Works Director Keith Wilson, Deputy Public Works Director Louise Romero, Sr. Management Analyst Rachel Barela, Senior Office Specialist

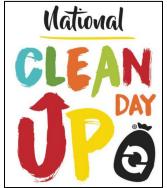
## **STATS Update**

Adopt-A-Road – 8 Segments have been adopted.

The Administration Division serves as the backbone of the Public Works Department, providing essential support and customer service to all its divisions. This includes coordinating budgets, processing payroll, purchasing, managing records, assisting with public information, and ensuring compliance with departmental policies and procedures. The division acts as a central point of contact, responding to internal and external inquiries with professionalism and efficiency. By handling administrative tasks and offering day-to-day operational support, the Administration Division enables the department's field and technical teams to focus on delivering high-quality public services to the community.

The Administration staff has been working diligently with all Public Works Divisions on closing out in accordance with the FY25 Account Payable deadline. Everyone is working hard to ensure a smooth transition.

# Clean Up Los Alamos Day – September 20, 2025



Adopt A Road organizations will join the Environmental Service Clean-Up Los Alamos Day on Saturday, September 20, 2025, in coordination with National Cleanup Day. This annual event unites residents, families, and community groups to help clear litter from public areas throughout Los Alamos County.

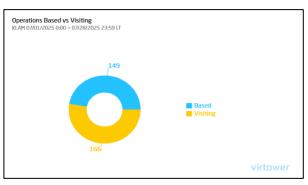
# **AIRPORT**

# Gary Goddard, Division Manager

#### **STATS Update**

Take-offs and Landings – This month-to-date has recorded a total of 315 take-offs and landings for the month, only a slight decrease from June. Classic Air Medical and other helicopters accounted for 77 of those operations, with other commercial and general aviation.

Activity has remained consistent in recent months.



# **Emergency Landing Strip – Pueblo Canyon**





On Wednesday, July 2nd, a group of approximately 8–10 local pilots accompanied the Airport Manager on a site visit to the emergency landing strip in Pueblo Canyon—colloquially referred to as "El Strip." The visit was timed between afternoon thunderstorms and served as a practical inspection and familiarization exercise in the event the strip is ever needed for an off-airport landing.

During the walk-through, pilots observed overgrown grass, elevated ant hills, and scattered rocks that could present hazards. The Airport Manager returned to the site the following week to perform maintenance: mowing, flattening ant hills, and clearing debris. The strip is now maintained in a condition suitable for emergency use and potential short takeoff and landing (STOL) operations.

# **T-Hangar Construction Progress**

Los Alamos County is in the final stages of securing a construction agreement with a selected contractor for the development of eight new T-hangars. These will be constructed between the existing fuel farm and the westernmost row of hangars.

Work is scheduled to begin in Fall 2025, with completion targeted for May 2026. This project marks the initial phase of the west-end development outlined in the Airport Master Plan, supporting increased hangar capacity and future growth.

# Young Eagles Flight Rally - July 19th

The Young Eagles outreach event on July 19th was a resounding success. A total of 22 local youth participated, each taking a 45-minute flight with local volunteer pilots (including the airport manager) from the Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA).

Despite forecasts for poor weather, conditions remained favorable throughout the morning, allowing all registered participants to complete their flights. Events like these continue to foster community engagement and aviation education for future generations.





# **Sky Crane N719HT Supporting Laguna Fire Suppression**

KLAM recently served as a forward operating base in support of the Laguna Fire, hosting the Erickson SkyCrane N719HT—a specialized heavy-lift helicopter contracted by the U.S. Forest Service. The SkyCrane has since departed, but not before playing a vital role in initial suppression efforts, including large-volume water drops over active fire zones.

KLAM was proud to provide the operational space, fueling infrastructure, and logistical support needed to accommodate such a high-capacity firefighting aircraft. The airport's ability to host and support this type of mission demonstrates its importance not just as a transportation hub, but as a regional asset in emergency response operations.



# CAPITAL PROJECTS & FACILITIES

# **Capital Projects**

Los Alamos County is working on a variety of projects that support quality of life, infrastructure, and economic development initiatives.

The front nine holes at the Golf Course opened to the public for weekends only on July 18, 2025. The project to install charging infrastructure for the electric golf cart fleet was completed well ahead of the opening of the Golf Course. Patrons are already using the new electric golf carts.

The abatement of the ceilings at the Los Alamos Little Theatre has been completed. The flooring contractor is preparing floors to receive new flooring in the Green Room.

The Manhattan Project Dormitory project architect is finalizing the 60% design packet to be reviewed by the State Historical Preservation Office. Design team in collaboration with LA Fire Department established guidelines for the implementation of applicable Wildland-Urban Interface ordinance to the project.

The condenser for the Ice Rink replacement chiller landed on site on July 2, 2025. The mechanical and electrical contractors continue building the piping and raceways needed to connect the condenser and the chiller.

Entitlements process for the new Fire Station 4 is on its way to completion. The planning and Zoning Commission approved Summary Plat and Minor Zone Amendment on July 9. Site Plan application has been submitted to CDD Planning Division for review.

#### **Facilities (Preventative Maintenance)**

#### **STATS Update**

Current WOs in queue = 131 New WO since last report = 61 Completed WO = 51 After hours WO = 6 Emergency WO = 5

# **CUSTODIAL**

#### Bob Feagans, Division Manager

#### **STATS Update**

Supporting public events countywide.

Fuller Lodge – 55
White Rock Activity Center – 21
White Rock Fire Station – 3
Betty Ehart Senior Center – 27
White Rock Town Hall – 0
Municipal Building – 46

# **Meeting Our Goals**

The Custodial Division continues to promote innovative approaches, conscientious stewardship and outstanding customer service while delivering clean and safe results to the County.

Our division also promotes outstanding customer service support through the Fuller Lodge Reservations Office, helping customers reserve and plan their events at County indoor facilities.

#### **News & Updates**

Reservations for the month of July continued at the same level from the previous month of June. Weddings and receptions continue to fill the weekends and Fridays.

## Looking Ahead

The Division is currently in the process of filling one vacant position and will conduct interviews in August.

The Division is currently working on the mouse and squirrel problem at the Baker House.

# **ENGINEERING**

#### Eric Ulibarri, County Engineer

The DP Road Phase II project reached substantial completion in June 18 with punch list items including roadway striping being completed in July.

The Denver Steels Phase II project was advertised for construction in July with bids due in August. Construction is anticipated to begin this year and continue into Summer 2026.

Staff have been involved in inspecting work involved in reconstruction of the Piñon Elementary School access road, a county-owned facility.

An update on the Pedestrian Master Plan was presented to County Council on July 17 with adoption anticipated in August.

Ongoing construction projects like Bathtub Row and DP Road require consistent outreach to the public including impacted residents, businesses, Los Alamos Public Schools, and LANL/DOE. This coordination is critical to successful project execution.

# **Looking Ahead**

Multiple projects are being prepared for the upcoming construction year: Canyon Rim Trail from Knecht to 15<sup>th</sup> Street, Finch Street, Trinity Drive Safety and ADA, and NM-4 Multi-Use Trail and Crossing are all anticipated to be advertised for bids in Fall 2025 with construction continuing through the 2026 calendar year.

Staff are also actively involved in reviewing developer applications, conducting inspections, approval of construction permits, and design reviews. Some recent project reviews include the Guesthouse Hotel at the old Hilltop House site, Women's Dormitory Building, Hills Apartments/35<sup>th</sup> Street Realignment project, Cañada Bonita, Century Bank, Sherwood Rounds off Longview Drive, Arboleda and the redevelopment of the Motel 6 building.

# **ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES**

#### Armando Gabaldon, Division Manager

#### **STATS Update**

Customer Service Emails - 61

Roll Cart Requests – 176

Household Hazardous Wasted Customers - 87

Recycle Coach App Users - 2,756

Recycle Coach App Interactions – 13,303

Overlook Visitors - 174

Transfer Station Visitors – 2,772

Yard Trimming Participants - 5,381

Social Media Followers - 1.3k

As part of the "Operation Save the Bears" initiative, Environmental Services delivered 260 dumpsters to the business community and 1,000 roll carts to residential customers during the first wave of the program. In December 2024, Environmental Services received an additional 1,154 Kodiak Bear-Resistant Carts and has since distributed more than 900 to residents that requested one. Another order has been placed to ensure availability for residents requesting one.

Bear sightings are on the rise, and we've received an increasing number of reports about trash carts being raided. To help prevent wildlife encounters and keep our neighborhoods safe, residents are encouraged to consider using bear-resistant trash carts. If you're interested in requesting one, please visit <a href="www.losalamosnm.us/gogreen">www.losalamosnm.us/gogreen</a> to submit a request.

Environmental Services conducts one full-day training and certification session each quarter to ensure that all employees remain compliant with required safety and operational standards. During these scheduled closures, the department also performs critical maintenance on the transfer station. By consolidating these activities into quarterly closures, we minimize disruption to the public and ensure that services remain fully staffed and operational on all other days.

Upcoming Closure Date for 2025:

• Wednesday, October 29, 2025

#### **Upcoming Events**

Environmental Services is thrilled to be part of the annual Bear Fest, hosted by PEEC, on Saturday, August 23, 2025. This family-friendly event celebrates our local black bears and offers a great opportunity to learn how we can all live in harmony with wildlife.

At our booth, we'll be showcasing bear-resistant roll carts and dumpsters and demonstrating how these tools help keep both our neighborhoods and our wildlife safe. Our staff will be on hand to answer questions, share tips for preventing bear encounters, and help you feel confident about using these carts effectively.

We'll also be bringing along our popular Recycle Game—a fun and interactive way to test your recycling knowledge. Play the game, learn a few new tricks, and take home some cool giveaways as a thank-you for participating.

## Clean Up Los Alamos Day - September 20, 2025

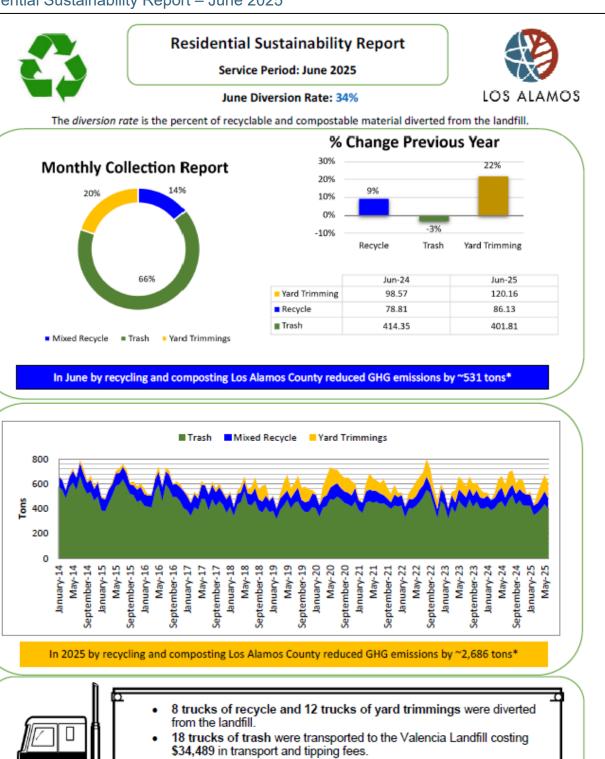
Environmental Services will be coordinating Clean Up Los Alamos Day on Saturday, September 20, 2025, in alignment with National CleanUp Day. This annual event brings together residents, families, and community organizations to remove litter from public spaces across Los Alamos County.

This event promotes community pride, reduces litter in neighborhoods, and encourages stewardship of our public spaces and trails. Volunteers register in advance, pick up cleanup supplies from the ECO Station during the week prior, and choose their own cleanup area and schedule for the day. Collected litter can be disposed of free of charge at the ECO Station and White Rock Overlook Collection Center on event day.





Eco Station drainage before and after – Maintenance during closure



For more information contact Environmental Services Division at 505.662.8163 or email <a href="mailto:solidwaste@lacnm.us">solidwaste@lacnm.us</a>
\*GHG emissions calculated using <a href="mailto:https://www.stopwaste.co/calculator">https://www.stopwaste.co/calculator</a>

# FLEET

# Pete Mondragon, Division Manager

# **STATS Update**

Work orders entered – 295

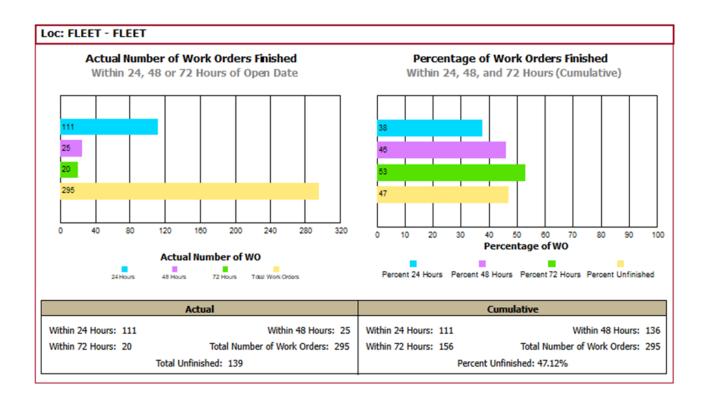
Work orders completed within 72 hours - 156

Work orders that remain open - 32

Work orders that are considered preventive maintenance – 48

Work orders that are considered repairs – 243

Work orders due to accidents - 4



Fleet and PW Engineering are working on upgrades to the County fueling system and will be wrapping up the project soon.

Fleet had the opportunity to host 3 summer students.

## **TRAFFIC & STREETS**

#### Daniel Blea, Division Manager

#### **STATS Update**

Customer calls – 53

Permits processed – 17

Permits extended - 1

Locates preformed – 134

Concrete used – 28.5 yards

Asphalt used - 68 tons

Perma Patch used - 120 lbs.

Signs fabricated and installed – 8

Lights and fixtures that were replaced – 2

Work orders received - 11

Work orders completed – 4

The traffic electrician crew have been working on several projects in the county including reinstalling runway lights that were knocked down due to mowing efforts. Removing and replacing runway lights. They performed testing and troubleshooting on streetlight feeds in White Rock, on Ridgecrest and Longview Drives, and determined the feeds were operational but the light bulbs were not. They tested streetlights at the intersection of Diamond Dr. and Orange St.; the westbound streetlight was replaced. Removed and replaced damaged streetlight J-box lid on 15<sup>th</sup> St. between Central Ave. and Trinity Dr. They trenched and installed conduit and relocated an exposed streetlight feed on Sioux St..

Crews have been testing school zone and fire station flashers in Los Alamos and White Rock and removed and replaced the radio transmitter at the intersection of Diamond Dr. and Trinity Dr.. Removed and replaced overhead visors at Knecht St. and Trinity Dr. for the southbound overhead 5 section signal head. Removed and replaced pedestrian button at Diamond Dr. and Trinity Dr. in the northwest corner for southbound traffic.

The streets crews have recently completed several projects including cleaning drains in the Barranca Mesa area along Zuni, Taos, San Juan and Coyote and 925 Estates Dr. They performed right-of-way maintenance along Diamond Dr. and mowed the slope along Diamond Dr. at the golf course. Crews cleaned vegetation on trails in White Rock, backfilled erosion on Range Rd., and cleaned drop inlets on Quemazon Rd. with the Vactor. Crews mowed along NM 502 from the county line and picked up trash near the airport. They filled potholes on Rendija Rd, cleaned a clogged drain near the stables that was causing flooding. Crews installed new drive pads at 81 and 85 Granada, repaired sidewalks on Meadow Lane and 35<sup>th</sup> Street, swept sidewalks in Los Alamos, and will be repairing asphalt on 35<sup>th</sup> St.

The signs and markings crew have recently completed several projects through the county including striping school crosswalks and safe routes, painting curbs in Quemazon and striping the loading dock area at the Municipal Building to aid in preventing visitors from parking in this area.

Crews provided traffic control support for recent community events including the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Drone Show at Ashley Pond and the Los Alamos County Triathlon. They will be providing traffic control for the upcoming Fair and Rodeo Parade August 2<sup>nd</sup>, and the Bear Festival at The Nature Center.

#### **TRANSIT**

James Barela, Division Manager

# **STATS Update**

Unlinked Passenger Trips (UPT) - 18,444

Fixed-Route UPT - 17,900

Demand-Response UPT- 544

Special UPT - 0

Service Days - 21

UPT per Service Day - 878

UPT per Service Mile - .49

Service Disruptions - 2

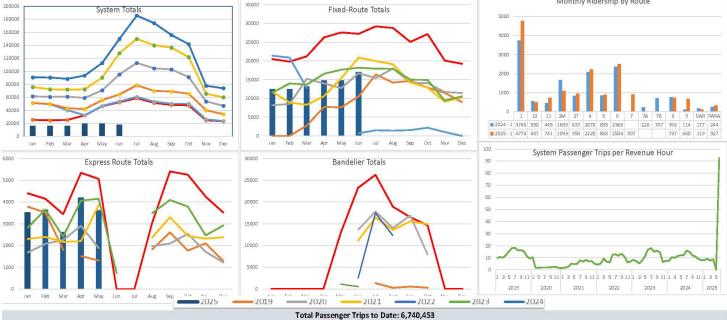
On-time Timepoint Departures – 81%

On-time Paratransit Trips – 96.7%

Buses with Defective ITS Systems – 10%

Customer Complaints - 5

ATOMIC CITY TRANSIT								2025 R	idership	Report						LO	SALA	MOS		YTD	
<u> </u>				Trips					-					Jun Re	. Miles	Jun Rev	. Hours	Jun YTE	Trips		
Route	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	% Chg (from 2019)	% Chg (from 2020)	% Chg (from 2021)	% Chg (from 2022)	% Chg (from 2023)	% Chg (from 2024)	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025	Month YOY % Chg (from 2024)	Svc Day
1 Downtown	7,850	328	3,258	4,575	8,919	6,788	5,143	-34%	1468%	58%	12%	-42%	-24%	4,647	3,971	247	299	33,562	29,539	-12%	21
2M White Rock - Main Hill	3,357	248	1,320	1,803		1,418	2,125	-37%	757%	61%	18%		50%	4,287	7,146	162	271	3,471	9,689	179%	21
2T White Rock - Truck Rt	2,198	124	976	2,078	3,174	2,541	2,571	17%	1973%	163%	24%	-19%	1%	6,340	6,809	248	264	11,766	7,913	-33%	21
4 North Community	3,048	-	1,119	1,288	4,137	2,538	2,166	-29%		94%	68%	-48%	-15%	3,684	3,878	247	260	16,628	13,537	-19%	21
5 Barranca Mesa	1,456	-	833	1,661	1,197	1,217	2,502	72%		200%	51%	109%	106%	3,449	3,630	245	258	6,814	6,922	2%	21
6 North Mesa	5,648		1,886	3,265	3,462	3,709	2,553	-55%		35%	-22%	-26%	-31%	4,427	5,616	309	388	19,398	17,162	-12%	21
Fixed-route subtotal	27,201	700	10,522	16,694	20,889	18,211	17,060	-37%	2337%	62%	2%	-18%	-6%	26,835	31,050	1,459	1,738	91,639	84,762	-8%	
7 North Mesa Expr		-	-		-	159								70		.5	-	5,100	4,365	-14%	-
8 North Community Expr	-					163	-							32		2	-	4,389	4,258	-3%	
9 Aspen Expr	-		-		1	161	-							49	-	2	-	1,764	3,202	82%	-
10 Barranca Expr	-	-	-		-	102								42		3	-	3,170	2,622	-17%	-
11 White Rock Expr	-	×	¥	-	-	151	-							85		3	-	3,405	3,175	-7%	
Express route subtotal	-		E	-		736	-							279		15	-	17,828	17,622	-1%	
12 Bandelier	23,291			13,608	11,129	2,535	543	-98%			-96%	-95%	-79%	2,026	2,932	79	210	2,535	1,652	-35%	30
Dial-a-Ride	128	-	44	49	122	143	153	20%		248%	212%	25%	7%	954	983	62	51	922	624	-32%	21
ACT Assist	386	85	199	245	242	240	391	1%	360%	96%	60%	62%	63%	2,383	3,309	155	205	1,658	718	-57%	22
Special Services	1,593	374		227	629	496	407	-74%	9%		79%	-35%	-18%	1,208	969	64	50	673	934	39%	13
System total	52,599	1,159	10,765	30,823	33,011	22,361	18,554	-65%	1501%	72%	-40%	-44%	-17%	33,685	39,243	1,834	2,255	115,255	106,312	-8%	21
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Significant Service Adjustments and Special Events

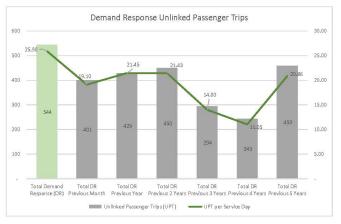
• All Month: Due to staffing shortages, Rt 3 did not operate (Rt 1 provided service to Camino Entrada area).

• Special Services: Summer Concert Service - for 4 concerts (2C: 53, 4C: 89, and 6C: 155). Juneteenth (6/19 6AM-5:30PM) - Dial-a-Ride 67 passengers. Summerfest (6/14): 110 passengers.

# Demand Response Ridership

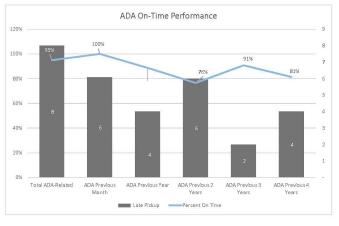
#### Atomic City Transit - Demand Response Ridership and Statistics

June 2025  NTD Service Information	Total Demand Response (DR)	Total DR Previous Month	Total DR Previous Year	Total ADA- Related	Total DAR	Total DAR- Special
Vehicles Operated in Max Service	2	2	3	2	2	-
Unlinked Passenger Trips (UPT)	544	401	429	391	153	-
UPT Ambulatory	319	232	390	193	126	
UPT Non-Ambulatory	223	169	39	196	27	
UPT Evening DAR	502	237	46	391	111	
UPT Daytime DAR	42	164	109	30	12	
UPT Regional-Linked	224	204	225	178	46	-
Companions	12	-	34	19	- 2	
PCAs	- 10	- 0	38	- 2	- 3	- 0
Total Vehicle Miles (VM)	5,455	4.898	4.483	3,991	1,464	
Total Vehicle Hours (VH)	557	379	355	431	127	190
Total Revenue Miles (RM)	4,282	3,756	3,532	3,299	983	191
Total Revenue Hours (RH)	259	227	231	208	51	120
Regional-linked Miles	2,159	2,106	2,126	1,744	415	- 0
Regional-linked Hours	74	73	77	60	14	- 50
Passenger Miles	4,282	3,756	3,251	3,299	983	
Passenger Hours	259	227	137	208	51	
Service Days	21	21	20	21	21	100
Weekdays	21	21	20	21	21	- 0
UPT per RM	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	
UPT per RH	2.1	1.8	1.9	1.9	3.0	380
UPT per Service Day	25.9	19.1	21.5	18.6	7.3	
UPT per Weekday	25.9	19.1	21.5	3.4	7.3	0



Scheduling Stats						
Subscription	78-1	-	118	-	(4)	191
One Way Trips Requested	683	538	572	482	201	67
One Way Trips Performed	544	387	357	391	153	- 81
Advance Reservation	181	-	203	(8)	(6)	380
Same Day Reservation	-		154	-	-	-
Avg. Minutes to board	8	4	0	5	4	-
Avg. Minutes to Disembark	150		0	150		(2)

Capacity Metrics						
Missed Trip (Due to Vehicle Late)	020		121	10	121	-
Trips On Time	520	393	311	373	147	
Percent On Time	96%	102%	87%	95%	100%	
Early Offer	781	-	10	-	-	19
Late Offer	140	-	2	100	141	-
Late Pickup	24	8	14	8	16	- 0
Excessively Late Pickup (>15m after window)	6		6	101	6	- 2
Late Dropoff (drop after 5m before Appt.)	- 5	-	3	1-1	5	9
Excessively Late Dropoff (>10m after Appt.)	REC.	-	8-8	(+)	1-1	1
Early Pickup	0E2	-	32	100	121	
xcessively Early Pickup (>15m before window)	-	9	3	121	121	9
Early Dropoff (>30m before Appt.)	825		12	100	126	2
Excessively Early Dropoff (>45m before Appt.)	14	-	1	141	141	2
Trip Over 45 min	781	-	6	0-0	1-1	2
Trip Over 60 min	020	2	1	(42)	721	- 3
Over Fixed-Route Duration Est.	3	-	9	150	3	-
>15m Over Fixed-Route Duration Est.	05	-	2	100	1-1	- 2



# TRANSPORTATION BOARD

The next Transportation Board meeting is scheduled for August 7, 2025.

# **NEW STAFF & PROMOTIONS**

Welcome to the TEAM!

Traffic and Streets have three new equipment operators.







Austin Kuykendall, Ronald Martinez, and Andy Romero

## ANNIVERSARIES & RETIREMENTS



We are deeply saddened to see Daniel Blea retire, but we are also incredibly grateful for his 22 years of dedicated service. His commitment, professionalism, and positive spirit have left a lasting impact on our team and community. While it's hard to say goodbye, we're excited for Daniel as he begins this new chapter in life. We wish him all the best in retirement and hope it brings him much joy, relaxation, and new adventures.

Atomic City Transit would like to congratulate the following employees on their employment anniversaries.

July 2025

- Daniel Gutierrez 11 years of service
- Elias Vigil 1 year of service
- Andrew Norwood 1 year of service

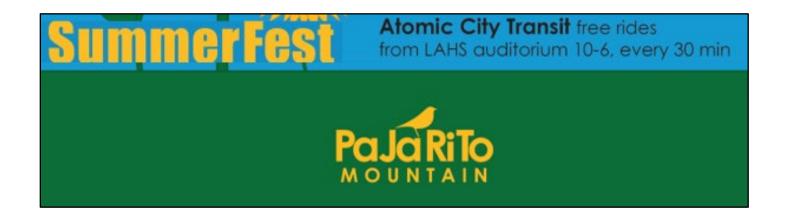
# **EVENTS**

The White Rock Branch Library was buzzing with excitement on July 23 during the Read with a Ranger series! Ben Gonzales kicked things off by reading picture books to an eager group of kids and shared fun activities.

Daniel Blea and Daniel Campos rolled in with some awesome heavy equipment, giving kids a thrilling up-close look at the big machines. Meanwhile, Rachel and Louise kept things cool and tasty with refreshing snow cones — the perfect treat for a sunny summer day. It was a fantastic blend of learning, laughter, and hands-on fun!



Atomic City Transit offered transportation for Summerfest on June 14th, running service from the High School to Pajarito Ski Hill. A total of 87 riders utilized the service.



#### SHOWCASING SUMMER INTERNS

Fleet had the opportunity to host three summer students.



Daniel Herrera

Sophia Martinez

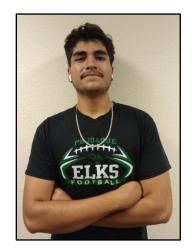
Naveen Velappan



Serafin Mendez is a Traffic and Streets summer student. We were all happy to have him join us. He is a very friendly, respectful and hardworking young man. He is a senior at Pojoaque High School. There he plays basketball, and he has mentioned a few colleges have approached him with potential basketball scholarships. Besides school, Serafin enjoys the outdoors and enjoys fishing. He has been a great asset to our crew.



Jason Rodgers has been the Airport intern this year and helped a lot by cleaning the incinerator building, helping visitors with crafts at the Open House, and general administrative and maintenance tasks around the airport. It has been a pleasure to work with him for the last couple of months.



The Engineering and Capital Projects and Facilities Division mentored summer student Michael Marquez. A senior and a football tackle/defensive end at Pojoaque High School (Go Elks!), Michael is exploring project management as a possible career path. Michael is eager to learn, and it has been a pleasure to mentor him. During his internship, Michael learned project management basics from our outstanding mentors Karen Henderson (Senior Engineer) and Henry Roybal (Project Manager). He also attended daily inspections at the Bathtub Row Reconstruction and the Pinon School Access Road projects. Michael helped take progress photos of ongoing work and field inspections including roadway grading and concrete pours. Michael assisted the verification of cross slopes for ADA complaint of

sidewalk and ramps, and the depth of the Pinon School Access Road utilizing string ling checks. Micheal also assisted the review of certified payroll to verify contractors are paying the minimum wages that are required for public works projects. Michael was also introduced to the systems that make skating ice at the Ice Rink and assisted the programming of cypher locks for the new restrooms at the Golf Course.

# **PROJECTS**



Crews fabricated and installed 8 signs. (no graffiti sign located at Canyon Glen)



Municipal Building loading dock striping



Striping crew striped school crosswalks and safe routes county wide



Traffic electrician trenched and installed conduit and relocated an exposed streetlight feed on Sioux St.





Before After Traffic electricians removed and replaced a damaged streetlight J-box lid on 15<sup>th</sup> St. between Central Ave. and Trinity Drive.





Before After
Streets crews clogged drain near the stables that was causing flooding





Streets crews cleaned drop inlets on Quemazon Rd. with a Vactor.

Atomic City Transit New Surveillance Camera Systems.



Charging infrastructure for electric golf carts.

Project completed and charging infrastructure and electric golf carts in operation.

Ice Rink chiller replacement project. The condenser for the replacement chiller landed on site on July 2, 2025. The contractor utilized a 140-ton crane to place the condenser on its final resting place.





# **DIVISION VACANCIES**

Administration – This division is fully staffed.

Airport – This division is fully staffed.

Capital Projects & Facilities – 1 Management Analyst

Custodial – 1 Custodian

Engineering – 1 Engineering Project Manager

Environmental Services – This division is fully staffed.

Fleet – 1 Fleet Mechanic

Traffic & Streets – 1 Traffic and Streets Manager, 1 Electrician, 1 Signs and Markings, 2 Equipment Operators

Transit – 3 Transit Driver

# **ACCOLAIDS**

From: Whelan, Leila

Sent: Thursday, July 24, 2025

Hi Daniel, Hi Ben!

Thanks galore to you and your crew for treating the children in our community to stories, trucks, and snow cones! As you can see from the photos, fabulous fun was had by all. **Also, your program broke our attendance record by a long shot - 89 people!!!** Our previous record was 72.

It was a joy to work with you—from beginning to end—and to watch the kids respond to you. Ben's choice for a final story, "Someone Builds the Dream" was such a great conclusion to the entire 8-week program. This is exactly what we wanted kids to get from this program - an awareness and appreciation of all the workers who make our community such a great place to live. We saved the best for the last!

Thanks for being prompt, for being gracious, for being willing, and for being such wonderful teachers. You were amazing! Daniel, we wish you the best in your retirement and we appreciate the referral to Keith Wilson. Also, please give our heartfelt thanks to all of the members of your team who assisted with snow cones, with moving equipment, with chatting with kids, with ordering supplies and all of the other little things that made this program such a brilliant success.

Hope you enjoy the rest of your summer! We simply can't thank you enough.

Leila Whelan White Rock Branch Library

From: Archbold, Jacqueline (Monique)
Subject: Re: Bike Repair Station Location

Thanks, Jon and Chris. You two went above and beyond today! The bike repair station looks wonderful AND the cart works SOOO much better. I appreciate having you both on our team!

Monique

From: Archbold, Jacqueline (Monique)

Subject: WRBL AC

Hi Jim!

Many thanks to Joseph and Aaron for repairing the AC in WRBL. They were helpful, communicative, thoughtful, and efficient. Kudos to them!

Monique Archbold

From: Styron, Cory

Sent: Wednesday, July 30, 2025 7:41 AM

Subject: Main Pool Open

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Thanks to the Facilities team we are opening the Main Pool at the Aquatic Center at noon today. Staff appreciate the effort of the electricians and plumbers to resolve this situation and repair the pipe that flooded the pumps.

Cory

From: Will Fox

Sent: Sunday, July 27, 2025 11:24:17 AM Subject: Great Job on the Airport Open House

Dear Ann Laurent,

I thought the County did an excellent job this past month hosting the Los Alamos Airport Open house. There was an excellent turnout, and it gave the public a chance to see the value of the airport to the community. It was also a chance for folks to learn more about aviation and the opportunities it presents.

In particular I would like to put in a good word for Gary Goddard the new airport manager. Gary did an excellent job of organizing the Open House and pulling together the various organizations that participated. He is already thinking about how the next one could be better. Gary is a go-getter and get things done and does it in a manner that engages and energizes the people around him. The County made an excellent choice when they hired him.

Speaking of that I think Eric Martinez deserves some kudos as well for his support of Gary and for the job he did running the airport along with all his other duties before Gary was hired.

You and Juan have some good folks working for you.

Will Fox

EAA Chapter 691, President

# FISCAL STEWARSHIP

**We have received** notification from NMDOT of the award of **\$4,500,000** (\$3,844,800 Federal, \$655,200 County Match) for the Design and Construction of the Cañada del Buey Trail between Rover Blvd and Meadow Lane.

**We have received** notification from NMDOT of the award of **\$700,000** (\$598,080 Federal, \$101,920 County Match) for the Construction of the Piñon Elementary School Trail between Piñon Park and Grand Canyon Drive.

# Thank you for reading!

We look forward to keeping you informed about our progress and initiatives.

# **CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS UPDATES - ENGINEERING**

Los Alamos County is working on a variety of projects that support quality of life, infrastructure, and economic development initiatives. A summary of the project and additional information can be found on our website – <a href="https://lacnm.com/PW-Projects">https://lacnm.com/PW-Projects</a>.

Project Name	Dept(s)	Update
DP Road Phase II	PW	The project reached substantial completion in June and final completion in July with punch list items complete. Project closeout is underway.
NM-4 Crossing and Multi- Use Trail	PW	This project will create an at-grade crossing of NM State Road 4 in White Rock at the Mirador Subdivision and provide both new multiuse trail infrastructure and reconstructed trail infrastructure in the Pinon Park area. The county received grant funding from NMDOT for this project with design being finalized by Bohannon Huston Inc. The project will be advertised for construction later this year with construction anticipated to begin in late 2025 and continue through 2026.
Trinity Drive Safety and ADA	PW	This project is the result of a 2016 road safety audit and has been awarded grant funding from the Federal Highway Safety Improvement Program by NMDOT. A resolution of support was made by Council on September 10 approving a Hybrid Road Diet, one of the alternatives presented by the engineer. The design is being finalized with construction anticipated to begin in late 2025and continue through 2026.
Finch Street	PW	This project design was completed by an on-call engineering firm. The project is anticipated to be advertised for bids in late 2025. Council approved an agreement with the Los Alamos Medical Center for the transfer of land for the construction of the Finch Street project in August 2023. Construction is anticipated to begin in late 2025 and continue through 2026.
Canyon Rim Trail Phase III	PW	The project design and right-of-way (ROW) acquisitions are underway from Knecht Street to 15 <sup>th</sup> Street. The design is being completed by an on-call engineering firm. The project is anticipated to be advertised for bids in Fall 2025 with construction occurring in 2026. Completion of the trail design from 15 <sup>th</sup> Street to 20 <sup>th</sup> Street is pending ROW acquisitions.

Bathtub Row-Peach Nectar	PW	Construction continues by TLC Plumbing and Utility after a winter suspension and is anticipated for completion in late Summer 2025.  This is a joint project with the Department of Public Utilities and includes full road reconstruction along with utility upgrades.
Denver Steels Phase II	PW	This project has been advertised for construction. This is a joint project with the Department of Public Utilities and includes full road reconstruction along with utility upgrades. The project is anticipated to begin construction in late 2025 and continue through 2026.

# **CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS UPDATES – FACILITIES**

A summary of the project and additional information can be found at the County website – <a href="https://www.losalamosnm.us/Government/Departments-and-Divisions/Public-Works/Capital-Projects-Facilities-Division-Projects">https://www.losalamosnm.us/Government/Departments-and-Divisions/Public-Works/Capital-Projects-Facilities-Division-Projects</a>.

Project Name	Dept	Update
Golf Course Electric Cart Conversion	PW, CSD	Construction completed. Electric golf carts started operations last Friday. Project is closeout phase.
Asset Management Software for Facilities	PW	Staff continue the verification of asset naming and locations on the floor plans. Staff will discuss verification findings with vendor in early August.
Benchmarking Building Utility Consumption	PW	No activities to report in July
Emergency Dispatch CRAC Unit	PD	Design professional finalizing 100% drawings. A design review is expected in early August.
Women's Dormitory Building Renovation	PW	Architect is finishing 60% design packet for SHPO review.  Discussions with LAFD and Building official resulted in guidelines on how to apply WUI to the project.
Capital Outlay Grant Application for Betty Ehart Senior Center	PW, CSD, AS-FIN	Project team waiting for results from ALTSD related to the evaluation of applications for funding.
Golf Course Site Improvements	PW, CSD	Front 9 holes opened to the public on July 18, 2025. Design team conducts course condition evaluations every two weeks of use.
Ice Rink Temporary Chiller	PW, CSD	The project is in closeout phase.
Ice Rink Permanent Chiller Replacement	PW, CSD	The condenser for the Ice Rink replacement chiller landed on site on July 2, 2025. The mechanical and electrical contractors continue building the piping and raceways needed to connect the condenser and the chiller.
Ice Rink Floor Replacement and Shade Structure	PW, CSD	On June 10, County Council approved moving forward with design development of the mono-sloped pre-engineered structure.

PW, FD	Project team met with on-call contractor to review scope of work and construction drawings.
PW, PD, FD	Grant funding was suspended by Department of Homeland Security. County Emergency Management will seek alternative funding and grants for this project.
PW, FD	Entitlements process is on its way to completion. The planning and Zoning Commission approved Summary Plat and Minor Zone Amendment on July 9. Site Plan application has been submitted to CDD Planning Division for review.
PW	Contractor has completed the replacing panels that showed cracking. Warranty period begins.
PW, CSD	Contractor sent out submittals for architect review.
PW, CSD	Designer is finalizing the schematic design documents.
PW, CSD	The abatement of the ceilings at the Los Alamos Little Theatre has been completed. The flooring contractor is preparing floors to receive new flooring in the Green Room.
PW, CSD	Project team waiting for fee proposal from designer to develop construction documents.
Sustain ability, PW	Task order routed for signature. County is reviewing submittals for main electric panel.
PW, FD	Submittals for tile, water proofing, and pans under review.  Contractor is finalizing the construction schedule.
PW, CSD	Retro-commissioning report has been submitted for County's review.
PW	Construction completed. PCS fuel farm is back to normal operation. Project is in closeout phase.
PW	Staff is evaluating alternatives to procure electrical contractor services for this project.
PW	Project team is reviewing the 90% drawings.
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PW/ CSD	Design consultant is addressing comments to the 90% design drawings.
PW/ CSD	CPF staff is collaborating with Social Services Division to document the Action Center space needs.
PD/ PW	Project team is reviewing cost proposal for this project.
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