

In the Works...

May 2026

Staff Report



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Public Works

ADMINISTRATION

Eric Martinez, Public Works Director

Keith Wilson, Deputy Public Works Director

Louise Romero, Sr. Management Analyst

Estrella Martinez, Management Analyst

Rachel Barela, Senior Office Specialist

STATS Update

Adopt-A-Road – 10 road segments have been adopted.

The month of May was a vibrant and productive time for the Public Works team, filled with meaningful community engagement and steady progress. From celebrating National Public Works Week to supporting initiatives like Bike to School and Bike to Work, the team remained active, visible, and energized throughout the month. Don't miss the highlights—head over to the Events section to explore the photos and see these moments come to life.

Behind the scenes the Administrative Team continue to demonstrate strong dedication by balancing daily operations while preparing for year-end closeout and laying the groundwork for a successful new fiscal year.



AIRPORT

Gary Goddard, Airport Manager

Airport activity during May included several notable visiting aircraft operations, continued progress on the new T-Hangar development, and advancement of long-term airfield improvement planning associated with the Taxiway-F project.

The airport hosted a Bombardier Global Express XRS, *Tempus Fugit* (N82EM), in support of a NASA-related visit connected to Los Alamos National Laboratory activities. The aircraft is operated by commercial astronaut and pilot Jared Isaacman, whose recent work has become closely associated with the growing partnership between NASA, private industry, and national laboratories in advanced space systems development. While details of the visit were not publicly released, the stop highlighted the continuing relationship between Los Alamos National Laboratory and the broader aerospace and space science community.



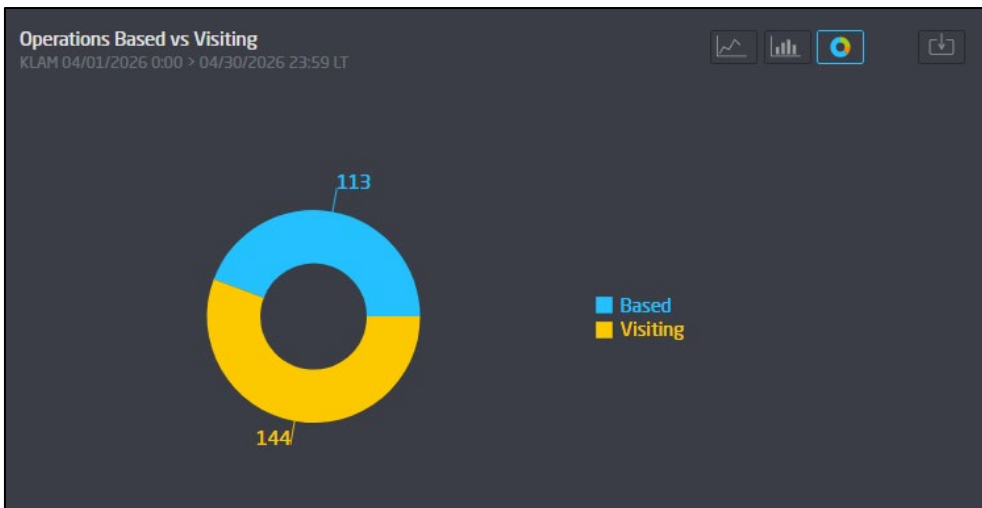
In addition to the NASA visit, the airport also hosted two UH-1 “Huey” helicopters from Kirtland Air Force Base during the month. Combined operations from Classic Air Medical and the visiting military helicopters resulted in approximately 93 helicopter operations during April, reflecting continued rotorcraft activity at the airport.



Construction activity also progressed on the 8-unit T-Hangar project. During May, excavation and concrete work for the foundations were completed, and installation work began on the trench drain system, including excavation and concrete forming. Completion of this work marks the end of the initial construction phase. Project activity is expected to pause temporarily and resume in August following delivery of the prefabricated hangar kit components.



The Airport also continued coordination efforts associated with the future Taxiway-F rehabilitation and realignment project. To support FAA-required taxiway separation standards and future sitework needs, the County has now completed the purchase of two of the west-end hangars identified for relocation or removal. Four additional hangars remain to be acquired as part of the long-term project development effort.



Airport operational statistics for April showed 113 based aircraft and 144 visiting aircraft recorded through Virtower activity tracking systems, reflecting continued strong transient traffic and regional aviation activity at KLAM.

CAPITAL PROJECTS & FACILITIES

Miguel Jimenez, Capital Projects Sr. Project Manager
Vicente Martinez – Facilities Manager

STATS Update

New work orders since last report – 71

Current work orders in queue – 128

Completed work orders – 190

Service Requests – 29

After hour call outs – 6

Emergency call outs – 3

The Public Works capital project team continues to advance a broad portfolio of facility and infrastructure projects supporting County operations, public safety, and community services. Major efforts include ongoing planning and design for the Emergency Operations Center, electric bus charging infrastructure, and multiple EV charging installations at County facilities, along with continued development of countywide facility and lighting improvements. Several projects are now in active construction or early site work: the Fire Station 4 Replacement project has mobilized with surveying, site clearing, dirt work, and soil testing underway, the Airport T-Hangars project is progressing with concrete removals and installation of new piers and trench drains, and construction has begun on the Mesa Public Library EV charging stations.

Design and construction documentation for key community and senior facilities also continue to move forward, including the Aquatic Center Olympic pool restoration—where demolition is complete, tile installation is nearing completion, and paint proposals are under review—as well as the Betty Ehart Senior Center renovation and HVAC replacement, both of which have reached major design milestones and are now in the cost-proposal phase with on-call contractors.

Ongoing maintenance and system upgrades remain a priority, with work proceeding on Justice Center mechanical and electrical systems, Fire Station 3 RTU replacement (equipment ordered and interim cooling planned), and a comprehensive HVAC maintenance program and facilities operations SOPs to strengthen long-term asset management. Several projects have recently reached completion, including the BESC Heritage Gate, Golf Course Finish Upgrades, and the Justice Center Emergency Boiler Replacement, while golf course site improvements have moved into the warranty phase.

Additional projects—including the WR Visitor Center food truck pads, Longview Drive development, Social Services Action Center, Animal Shelter dog run, and various Public Works system and lighting upgrades—remain in planning, design, rebid, or cost-estimating phases, with some seasonally or permit-dependent work (such as Ashley Pond electrical pedestals) intentionally paused until conditions are favorable. Across the portfolio, staff continue to emphasize coordination, cost control, and timely delivery as they balance new construction, major renovations, and critical maintenance to support County services.

Fire Station 4 Replacement Groundbreaking Ceremony on May 20th



Los Alamos County Airport T-Hanger's Project: Concrete Removal at New Trench Drain Column's Location and Concrete Piers for Steel.



New Tile Installation Along Swim Lanes and Depth Indicators as Well as New Under Water Anchor Installed.



Mesa Public Library EV charging station project: crews trench and remove asphalt to run new electrical conduit from the existing transformer to the future transformer location in the reconfigured parking area.



Golf Course Community Room, Patio, Dining Room Re-finish and Granite Countertops



CUSTODIAL

Bob Feagans, Division Manager

STATS Update

Fuller Lodge – 67

White Rock Activity Center – 12

White Rock Fire Station – 1

Betty Ehart Senior Center – 23

White Rock Town Hall – 0

Municipal Building – 30

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. Additionally, the team promotes outstanding customer service support through the Fuller Lodge Reservations Office, helping customers reserve and plan their events at County indoor facilities and supporting public events countywide.

News & Updates

Reservations for the month of May remain steady from the previous month with upcoming graduations and weddings. The team removed all tables, chairs, and furniture etc. from the Golf Course restaurant area to make room for the flooring replacement. The flooring installation has been completed, and all furniture has been returned to their original placement.

Looking Ahead

New tables are being purchased to replace the current tables at Fuller Lodge and the Golf Course Community Room. The wood flooring at Fuller Lodge is scheduled to be refinished prior to July 1.

ENGINEERING

Eric Ulibarri, County Engineer

Meeting Our Goals

The Engineering Division is actively managing numerous design, construction, maintenance, and development review projects aligned with the County Council's strategic priorities for infrastructure, mobility, and economic vitality.

News & Updates

The Finch Street project was advertised for construction in April. The scope of work for the Finch St. project includes an extension of Finch St. from the end of 35th St. through the LAMC parking lot to Trinity Dr. (NM 502). The project is being coordinated with LAMC to reconfigure their existing parking lot and relocate their driveway east to the new Finch St. connection with Trinity Dr.

Connecting with the Public

Public outreach for the Trinity Drive Safety and ADA project is ongoing. The county has contracted with CWA Strategic Communications, an experienced public relations agency, to provide this service.

The Denver Steels Phase II public outreach process consists of coordination with affected residents, businesses, and LAPS. This coordination is critical to successful project execution while minimizing negative impacts.

Planning is underway for public outreach for the multiple projects being overseen by Public Works including construction of NM-Crossing and Multi-Use Trail; and design of Denver Steels Phase III and Fairway Drive projects.

Looking Ahead

Preparation continues in preparing solicitation of bids for NM-4 Multi-Use Trail and Crossing projects.

Design development continues for Denver Steels Phase III and Fairway Drive. These projects are joint-utility projects and are anticipated to be advertised for bids in late 2026 for 2026/2027 construction.

The Division continues to play an active role in reviewing developer applications, conducting inspections, and approving construction permits and design reviews. Recent reviews have covered a diverse range of projects, such as the Christus Development, A-8-A Coyote Mesa, 20th Street Development, the Guesthouse Hotel (old Hilltop House site), the Women's Dormitory Building, and the Hills Apartments/35th Street Realignment. Other reviews include the Century Bank, Sherwood Rounds off Longview Drive, Arbolada, and the redevelopment of the Motel 6 building.

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Armando Gabaldon, Division Manager

STATS Update

Customer Service Emails – 64

Roll Cart Requests – 71

Total bear carts deployed are 2,369. LA townsite has 2,284 and WR has 85

Household Hazardous Waste Customers – 86

Recycle Coach App Users – 3,680

Recycle Coach App Interactions – 8,818

Overlook Visitors – 98

Transfer Station Visitors – 2,148

Yard Trimming Participants – 5,440

Social Media Followers – 1.3K

Environmental Services partnered with the Environmental Sustainability Board, the Los Alamos Sustainability Alliance, and Jemez Mountain Trail Runs organizers to provide a Zero Waste Station at the finish line during this year's race event. Volunteers helped runners and spectators properly sort compostable materials, recyclables, and trash while also providing education on waste diversion and sustainability practices.

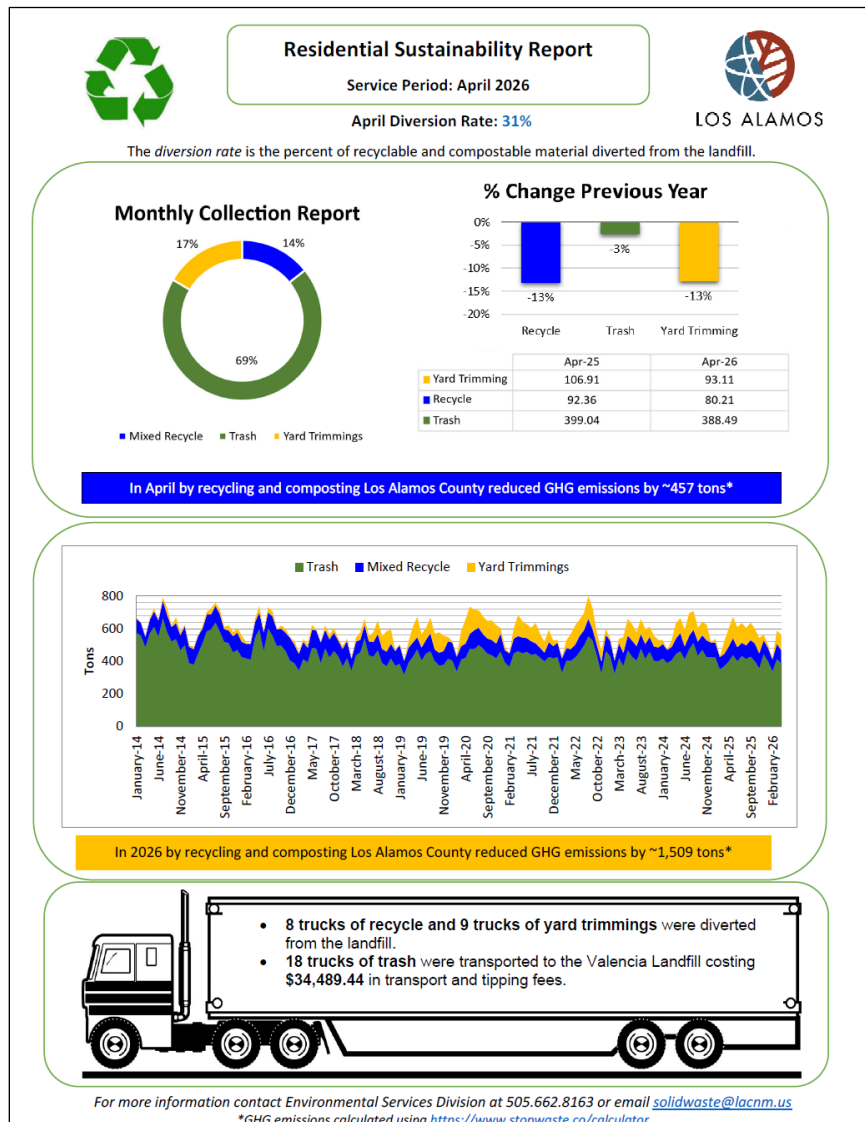
The effort resulted in 326 pounds of compostable waste being diverted to Reunity Resources and 167 pounds of recyclables collected, including aluminum, glass, cardboard, and plastics. Only 71 pounds of material ultimately went to the landfill. The event also marked the first year JMTR utilized compostable serving ware and compost collection buckets at multiple aid stations.

Yard trimming collection for calendar year 2026 began on Monday, March 23, and Environmental Services has already collected more than 252 tons of yard waste from residents across Los Alamos County. Collected material is processed into mulch and incorporated into biosolids composting operations at the wastewater treatment facility, with some material also made available for residential landscaping use. The Yard Trimmings Program helps divert organic material from the landfill while supporting sustainable reuse efforts within the community. Residents are allowed one yard trimming cart per household and can register online at www.losalamosnm.us/gogreen.



Zero Waste Station at Jemez Mountain Trail Run, Staff Weighing Recyclables Collected.

Residential Sustainability Report



FLEET

Pete Mondragon, Division Manager

STATS Update

Work orders entered – 228

Work orders completed within 72 hours – 166

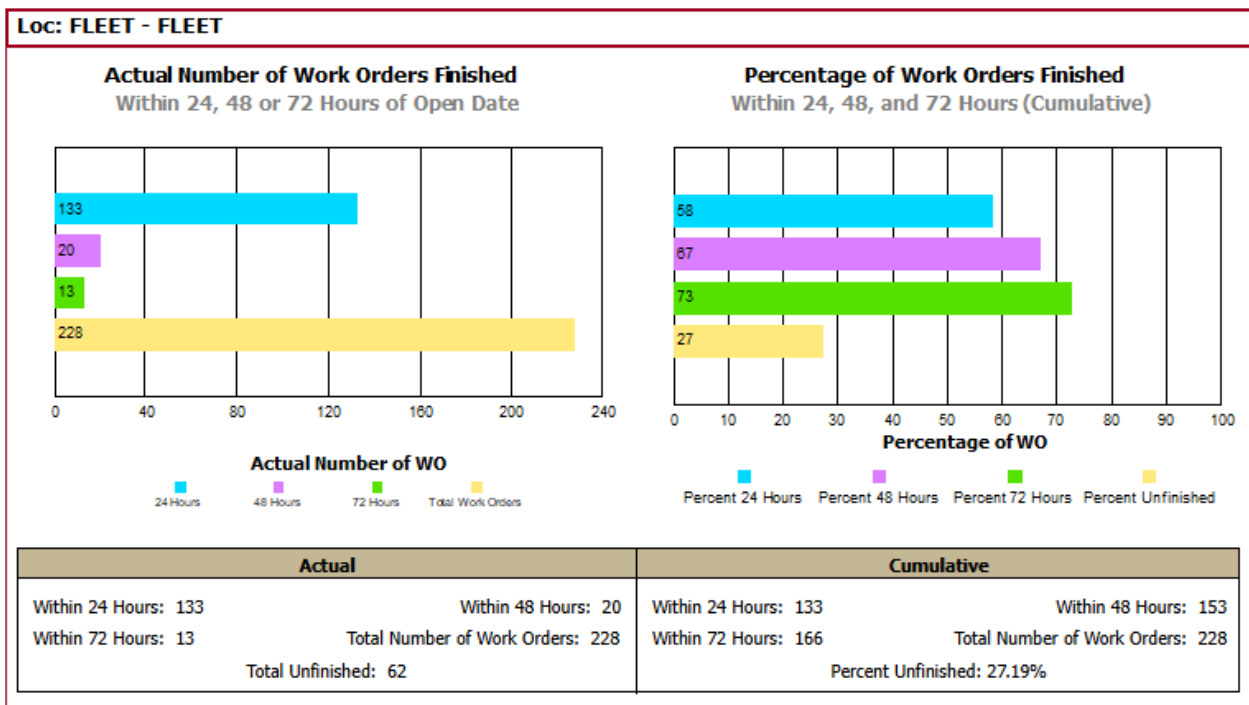
Work orders that remain open – 23

Work orders that are considered preventive maintenance – 57

Work orders that are considered repairs – 166

Work orders due to accidents – 3

Work Orders for recalls – 2



This month, Fleet focused on preparing all summer equipment and completing annual DOT inspections. We are close to finalizing all our vehicle orders and are currently auctioning replaced units. In addition, we successfully completed and passed all fuel tank inspections. Fleet has also begun encouraging drivers to use EV charging cards for all electric and hybrid vehicles to support efficient fleet operations.

TRAFFIC & STREETS

Tim Walker-Foster, Division Manager

STATS Update

Customer calls – 61

Traffic Control & Excavation Permits processed – 36

Permits extended – 6

Locates preformed – 50

Perma Patch used – 0

Asphalt – 12 tons

Concrete – 36 yards

Sweeping miles - 319.30

Striped linear ft – 120,224

Signs fabricated and installed – 25

Way-finding signs installed -16

Work orders received – 2

Work orders completed – 8

Traffic and Streets Division Weekly Activity Report

During the reporting period, Streets Division crews completed a variety of infrastructure maintenance, roadway improvement, safety enhancement, and operational support activities throughout Los Alamos and White Rock. Work efforts focused on roadway repairs, concrete improvements, vegetation management, traffic control support, signage installation, and preparation for upcoming public events and inspections.

Streets Maintenance and Repair Operations

Street crews completed repairs to drive pads, sidewalks, curb, and gutter infrastructure at the following locations Manhattan Loop, Kiva Lane, 5th Street, and Myrtle Lane.

Additional asphalt repair work was completed at the intersection of 9th Street and Iris Street to improve roadway conditions and maintain safe driving surfaces. Crews also poured concrete improvements at Sage Loop and South Sage Loop. Lastly, damaged curb sections inside the Aquatic Center parking lot were replaced to improve safety and accessibility.

Roadway Maintenance and Drainage Improvements

Crews placed milling material along Camp May Road to improve roadway conditions and performed cleaning of drainage inlets and outlets along the roadway to maintain proper stormwater flow and reduce debris accumulation.

Public Safety and Event Support

Traffic and Street crews installed and painted a concrete traffic barrier at Ashley Pond to serve as a protective deterrent against oncoming vehicle traffic during special events. The installation enhances safety for residents and visitors attending community gatherings at the pond area.

Crews also cleaned the White Rock Visitor Center parking lot in preparation for the Atomic Broadband ceremony. The crews also supported by hauling in several tons of sand for the groundbreaking ceremony. Equipment was staged and used to hang the project's banner.

Staff are additionally preparing to assist with traffic control operations for several upcoming summer events, including Chamber Fest scheduled for June.

Vegetation Management and Debris Removal

Crews cut and removed overgrown vegetation along a pathway on Bonnie View Drive to improve pedestrian accessibility and visibility. Additional support work included the pickup and hauling of stumps and branches from the training center following tree removal operations conducted by the Fire Department.

Equipment Maintenance and Training Support

Personnel completed equipment cleaning and shop maintenance activities in preparation for an upcoming OSHA inspection. Crews also assisted Risk Management with the Heavy Equipment Academy, supporting operational training and safety initiatives. This event was held between several county entities including DPU, Public Works and Parks.

Signs and Pavement Marking Operations

The Signs and Markings Crew continued progress on multiple infrastructure improvement projects throughout Los Alamos and White Rock.

Completed activities included:

- Fabrication and replacement of multiple damaged or sun-faded street signs
- Replacement of signs that had been knocked down in White Rock and other locations
- Installation of 16 new downtown pedestrian wayfinding signs
- Continued pavement striping operations in White Rock and Los Alamos

To date, crews have completed approximately 120,224 linear feet of roadway striping.

Administrative and Permit Operations

Administrative staff processed, approved, issued, and extended a total of 36 traffic control, excavation, and curb cut permits during the reporting period. As the 2026 construction season continues to accelerate, staff encourage the public to obey traffic signage and reduce speeds in active work zones to ensure the safety of both workers and motorists.

TRANSIT

James Barela, Division Manager

STATS Update

Unlinked Passenger Trips (UPT) - 20,822

Fixed-Route UPT - 20,110

Demand-Response UPT- 685

Special UPT - 27

Service Days - 22

UPT per Service Day - 946

UPT per Service Mile - .52

Service Disruptions - 1

On-time Timepoint Departures – 85%

On-time Paratransit Trips – 99.5%

Buses with Defective ITS Systems – 14%

Customer Complaints – 1



Atomic City Transit (ACT) received an award at the Avail Engage Conference on Thursday, April 30, 2026.

The honor recognizes excellence and inspiration in delivering impactful transit solutions to the community.

Great job ACT!!!

Atomic City Transit (ACT), in coordination with the Los Alamos Police Department (LAPD), recently conducted a mock-trial training focused on handling real-life emergency response situations. The training provided ACT staff and LAPD personnel an opportunity to strengthen coordination, communication, and response procedures during critical incidents.

ACT is proud to participate in this type of cross-training partnership with LAPD, which helps enhance preparedness, improve public safety collaboration, and ensure staff are equipped to respond effectively in emergency situations while continuing to serve the community safely and professionally.



Fixed Route Monthly Performance Metrics

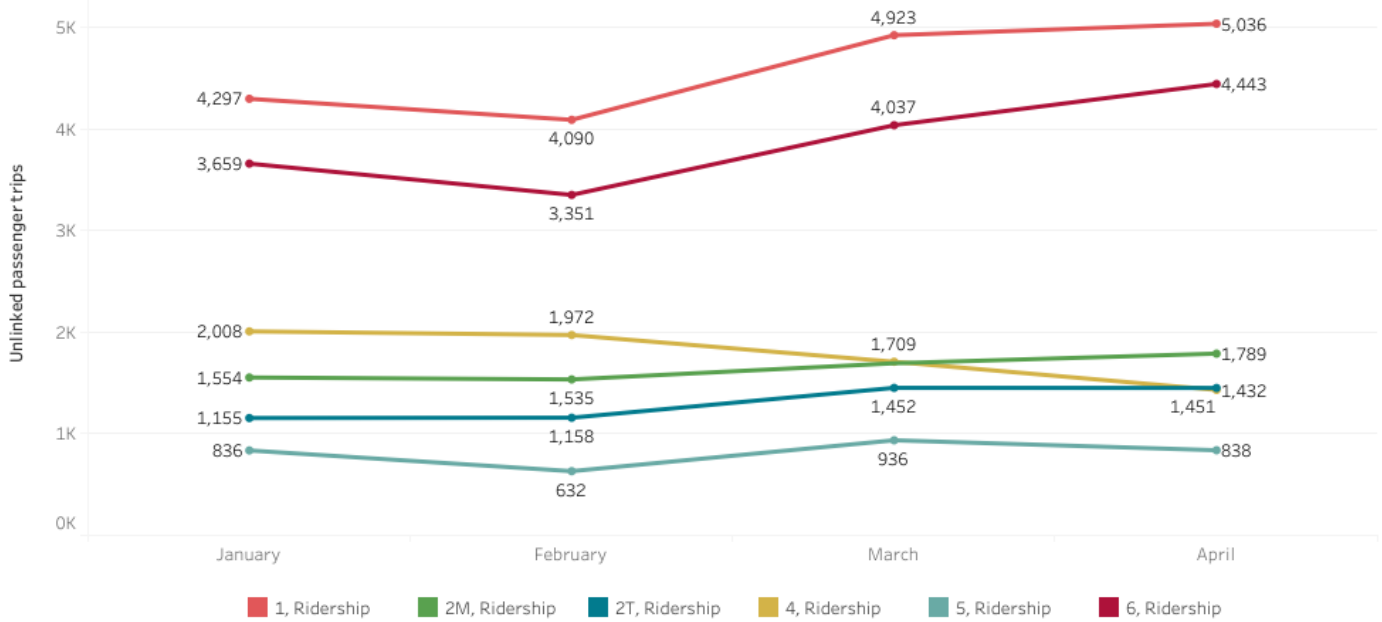
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Fixed Route Monthly Performance Metrics 2026

Monthly Ridership 2025

Routes 1-6 run year round with peak services on 1 and 6 in high ridership times for commutes and the lunch hour.



Monthly Ridership Comparison by Year

		1	2M	2T	4	5	6	Grand Total
April	2019	5,568	3,202	1,859	3,675	1,444	7,352	23,100
	2025	5,177	1,909	1,314	2,380	957	3,096	14,833
	2026	5,036	1,789	1,451	1,432	838	4,443	14,989

Monthly On Time Performance

		1	2M	2T	4	5	6	SYSTEM
April	2026	94%	82%	77%	81%	93%	85%	85%

ACT MyRide Services Monthly Performance Metrics

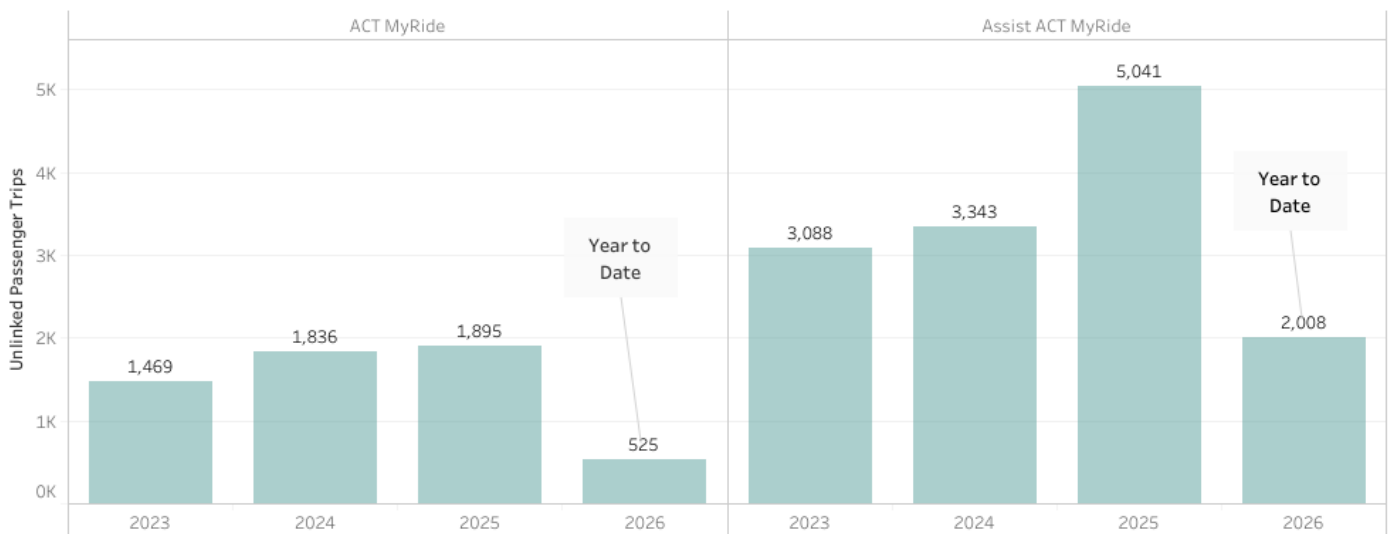
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ACT MyRide Services Monthly Performance Metrics 2026

On Demand: ACT MyRide and ACT MyRide Assist Programs Ridership

While both serves are free, ACT MyRide is a same day rideshare service open to the public while Assist ACT MyRide is by application only and part of the American Disabilities Act Program. Both services run Monday through Friday. ACT MyRide operates from 5:15 AM to 6:00 AM and 6:30 PM to 9:00 PM and Assist from 6:00 AM to 6:30 PM. An ACT MyRide Saturday Pilot Program ran from August 2, 2025 to October 25, 2025 to determine need and capacity for long term implementation.



Monthly Ridership Comparison by Year

Month	Year	ACT MyRide	Assist ACT MyRide	Grand Total
April	2019	97	565	662
	2025	75	404	479
	2026	139	546	685

Monthly On Time Performance

Month	Year	ACT MyRide	Assist ACT MyRide
April	2026	100%	99%

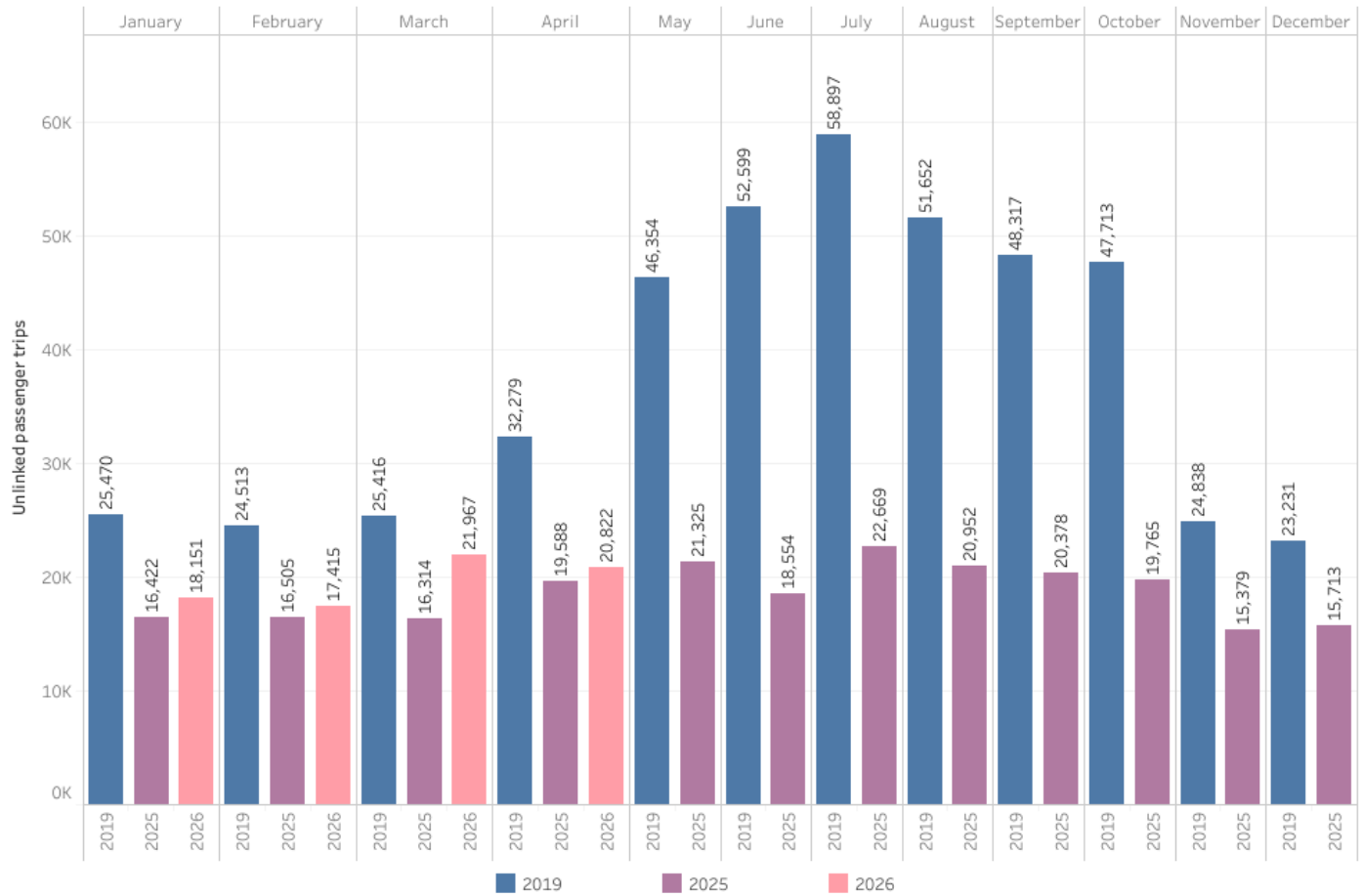
System Total Ridership Analysis Over Time

Atomic City Transit Ridership Report

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System Total Ridership Analysis Over Time

How to Read this Graph: The year 2019 (blue column) is an industry baseline for ridership trends before pandemic times while the 2025 (purple column) and the 2026 (pink column) ridership numbers provide recovery comparisons year over year against the 2019 baseline. Significant ridership loss was seen in summer months due to Bandelier service changes and access since 2024.



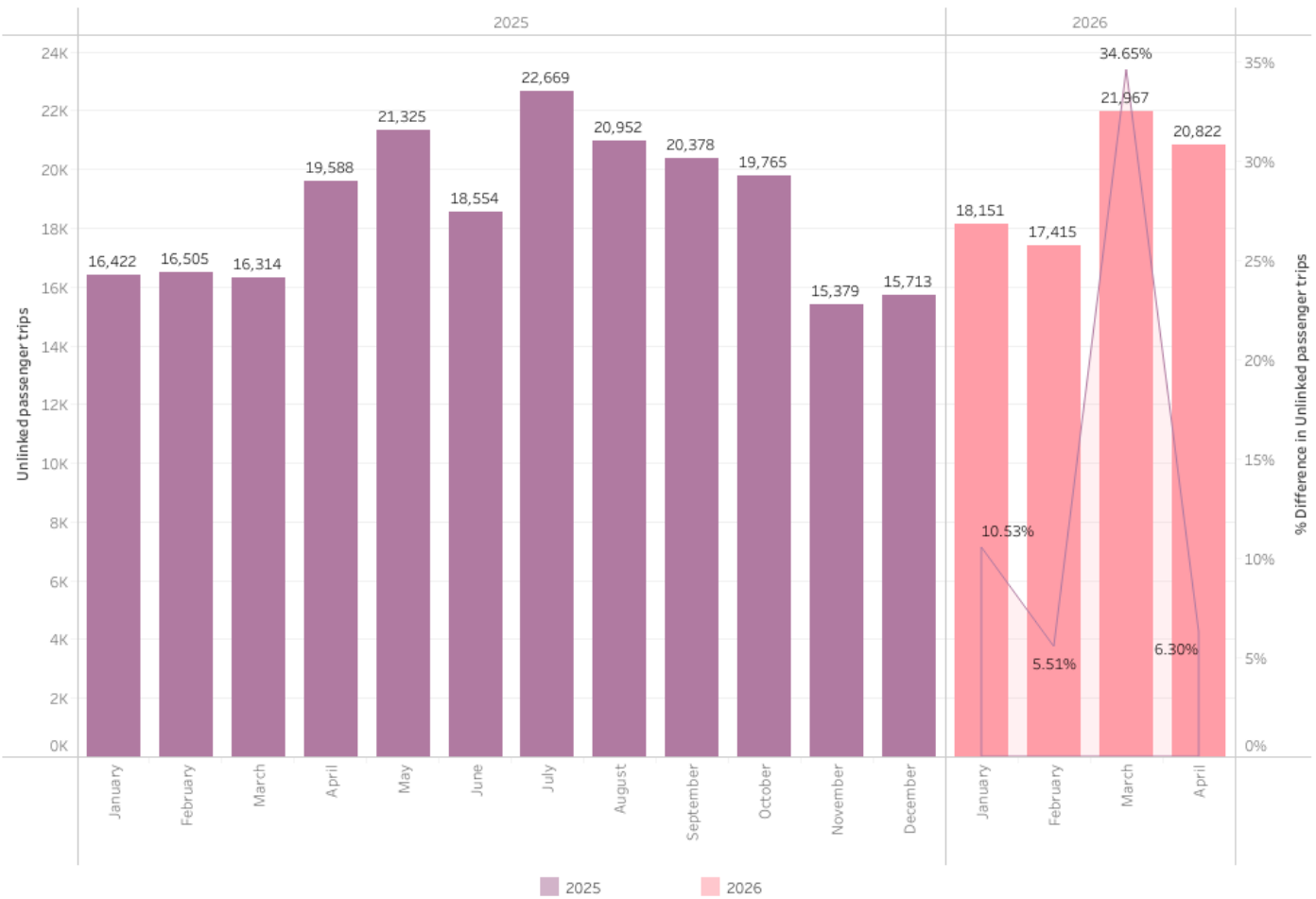
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System Total Ridership Yearly Comparison

How to Read this Graph: The columns show total ridership numbers including fixed route, seasonal services, and on demand ridership. The shaded areas (January is just a line for one month) show percent difference in ridership compared to the prior year so 2025 shows comparatively to 2026.



Seasonal Services Monthly Performance Metrics 2025

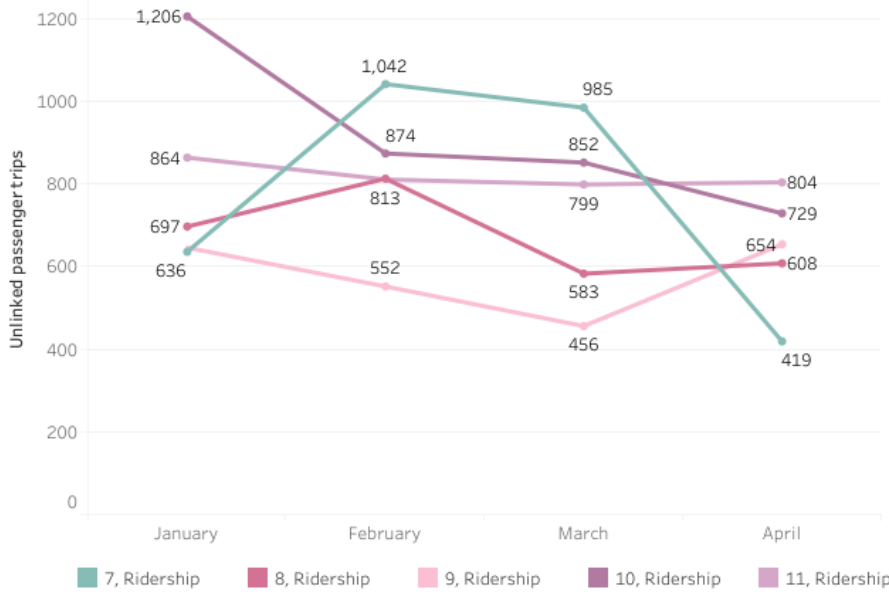
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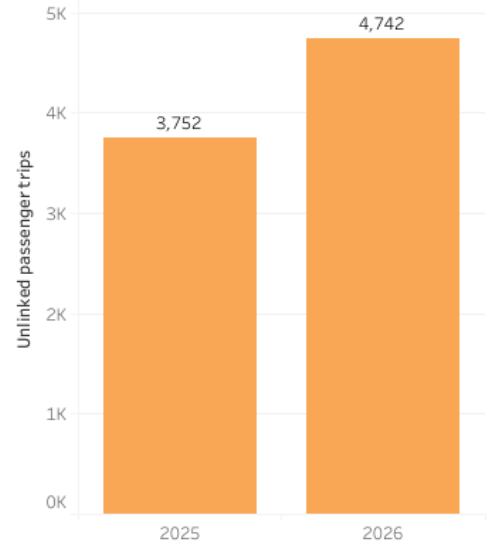
Express Routes 7-11, 2025

Express Routes run one outbound trip from bus stops near schools into the Downtown Area between 2:00 - 3:45pm August through May.



Bandelier Route 12

Bandelier contracted service runs between Juniper Parking Lot and the Visitor Center seasonally.



Note: The 2026 column reflects year to date service while the 2025 column reflects the full 2025 year.

Monthly Ridership Comparison by Year

		7	8	9	10	11	Bandelier 12	Grand Total
April	2019		988	923	1,201	964	0	4,076
	2025	1,075	1,047	720	688	674		4,204
	2026	419	608	654	729	804	1,887	5,101

Saturday April 18th ACT served 27 riders providing Earth Day special service to the community.

April 2026 had 20 unassigned riders on board. Unassigned riders are riders on board during non-revenue service periods or can happen when disconnected from the live tracking technology where the software cannot determine which route to assign the passengers.

TRANSPORTATION BOARD

The Transportation Board meeting focused on a comprehensive traffic safety presentation by Deputy Public Works Director, Keith Wilson and Chief of Police, Chief Sgambellone, The presentation covered multiple ongoing safety projects including the Trinity Drive Safety and ADA Improvement Project, Ashley Pond crowd control measures, NM4 crossing improvements, and wildlife crash studies, along with enforcement efforts including a new traffic unit and speed camera program.

Board members provided feedback on various initiatives including Central Avenue crosswalk visibility, bike lane improvements using green pavement markings, and concerns about intersection safety in White Rock, while Councilor Suzie Havemann provided updates on the county budget and upcoming council matters including Lab-related employment impacts and various proclamations.

PROJECTS

Denver Steels Phase II Improvements Project

The joint project with the Department of Public Utilities includes full road reconstruction Along with utility upgrades.

Central Ave. Proposed Parking Space Removal Project

Following concerns expressed about pedestrian safety along Central Avenue, five on-street parking spaces located near crosswalks between 15th Street and 20th Street have been removed through placement of yellow diagonal/crosshatch markings and yellow curb to indicate parking prohibition. This change was implemented to enhance pedestrian visibility at crosswalks and improve sight lines for both drivers and pedestrians.

Ensuring clear visibility at crosswalk approaches is an important safety measure, and these adjustments are part of ongoing efforts to create safer travel conditions for all roadway users. The county asks motorists to observe the parking prohibition in these areas to maintain safety for pedestrians.

Below are before and after images.



Wayfinding Sign Installation

Crews continue to install wayfinding signs county wide. Sixteen wayfinding signs have been installed in the downtown area of Los Alamos.



Concrete Barrier Installation at Ashley Pond

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Saturday Transit Service

Atomic City Transit's (ACT) On-Demand (Microtransit) Service Study continues to evaluate the current rider experience, operational performance, and future service needs. The proposed approach focuses on practical, data-driven analysis and clearly defined service scenarios to help determine the most effective path forward for the system.

The study is designed to identify realistic opportunities to improve efficiency, free up operator capacity, assess operational and staffing impacts, and provide ACT with actionable recommendations and an implementation roadmap. The goal is to balance service performance, cost effectiveness, and community benefit while ensuring ACT can continue providing reliable and accessible transportation options for Los Alamos County residents and regional riders.

DIVISION VACANCIES

Administration – This division is currently fully staffed.

Airport – This division is currently fully staffed.

Capital Projects & Facilities – 1 Project Manager, 3 Maintenance Specialists

Custodial – 1 Custodian

Engineering – 1 Project Manager

Environmental Services – This division is currently fully staffed.

Fleet – 1 Fleet Mechanic

Traffic & Streets – 1 Lead Equipment Operator, 2 Traffic Electricians, 1 Transportation Safety Specialist

Transit – 6 Transit Drivers

ACCOLADES

From: Laurent, Anne <anne.laurent@losalamosnm.gov>

Sent: Thursday, May 14, 2026 11:55 AM

To: Rael, Juan <juan.rael@losalamosnm.gov>; Krueger, David <david.krueger@losalamosnm.gov>; Freeman, Rachel <rachel@losalamosnm.gov>; Walker, Tim <tim.walker-foster@losalamosnm.gov>; Campos, Daniel <daniel.campos@losalamosnm.gov>; Park, Aaron <aaron.park@losalamosnm.gov>

Cc: Matteson, Linda <linda.matteson@losalamosnm.gov>; Martinez, Eric <eric.martinez@losalamosnm.gov>; Wilson, Keith

Subject: Re: Thank you!!

We're part of Los Alamos broadband history now!!! Congratulations and kudos to all! Anne

From: Rael, Juan <juan.rael@losalamosnm.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, May 13, 2026 9:26 AM

To: Krueger, David <david.krueger@losalamosnm.gov>; Freeman, Rachel <rachel.freeman@losalamosnm.gov>; Canfield, Sara <sara.canfield@losalamosnm.gov>; Vo, Kelley <kelley.vo@losalamosnm.gov>; Smith, Jerry <jerry.smith@losalamosnm.gov>; Walker-Foster, Tim <tim.walker-foster@losalamosnm.gov>; Campos, Daniel <daniel.campos@losalamosnm.gov>; Park, Aaron <aaron.park@losalamosnm.gov>; Salazar, Matthew <matthew.salazar@losalamosnm.gov>; Marquez, Richard <re.marquez@losalamosnm.gov>; Diaz, Nicholas <nicholas.diaz@losalamosnm.gov>

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Subject: Thank you!!

Good morning everyone,

I just wanted to send a quick note thanking you for your efforts yesterday for the groundbreaking. It was such a nice event and the planning and coordination you all put in, really showcased Los Alamos County in a great light. I heard so many positive comments from the attendees that I wanted to pass on.

With the exception of one gust of wind and the intense sun, it was a perfect day 😊.

EVENTS



National Public Works Week was celebrated May 17–23, 2026. Los Alamos County Public Works proudly recognized its dedicated department and the 151 employees across nine divisions who work every day to develop, maintain, and enhance the infrastructure and services our community relies on. In honor of the week, a proclamation was passed recognizing Public Works' essential role.

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- TRANSIT



The CommuniTree at the Municipal Building was filled with giveaways for both patrons and staff, on Wednesday, May 20th, the Public Works Administration and a Division Managers hosted a special appreciation event, handing out popcorn and snow cones to County team members and customers.

BIKE TO WORK DAY

Giveaways!
 drinks!
 snacks!

ENERGIZER STATION
Thursday, May 14
 7:00 - 9:00 a.m.
 NW Corner of Diamond Dr. & Canyon Road
 CALL PUBLIC WORKS FOR MORE INFORMATION 505.662.8150
 LOS ALAMOS



The Los Alamos County Public Works Department, in partnership with NMDOT, Transportation Board, and Community Services Department, rolled out another successful Bike to Work Day celebration this May. Cyclists cruising through town made a stop at the Energizer Station at the corner of Diamond Drive and Canyon Road, where they refueled with snacks, refreshments, and picked up fun bike-themed giveaways. The event brought together riders of all levels to promote healthy commuting, community connection, and a more sustainable way to get around Los Alamos.

WALK BIKE & ROLL TO SCHOOL



Friday, May 15
7:00 a.m.

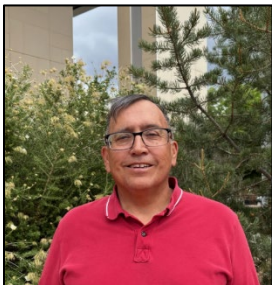
Piñon Elementary School in White Rock
CALL PUBLIC WORKS FOR MORE INFORMATION 505.682.8150

LOS ALAMOS



Bike to School Day rolled into Piñon Elementary with energy and enthusiasm as students in White Rock kicked off their morning on two wheels. Hosted by the Los Alamos County Public Works Department in partnership with Piñon Elementary and NMDOT, the May 15, 2025, event turned the daily commute into a celebration of active living and safe travel. At 8:00 a.m., sidewalks and streets came alive as students biked or scooted their way to school, demonstrating how fun and accessible alternative transportation can be. Riders were greeted with special goody bags filled with bicycle safety gear and educational materials, reinforcing the importance of staying safe while enjoying the ride.

NEW STAFF & PROMOTIONS



We are excited to welcome Bryan Romero to the team as our new Engineering Project Manager. Bryan brings a knowledgeable and extensive background that will be an asset to our department.



Matthew Salazar recently accepted the Assistant Streets Superintendent position with Traffic and Streets. Congratulations Matt!

STAFF MEMBER HIGHLIGHT OF THE MONTH – May 2026



Atomic City Transit is proud to recognize David Jackson for his outstanding contributions to the team. David joined ACT in February 2025 and has become a key part of evening dispatch operations, helping customers while assisting with both fixed-route and Dial-a-Ride services. He consistently supports his supervisor and coworkers with a wide range of responsibilities.

David stands out for his initiative, dependability, and strong work ethic—he’s someone who steps up and gets things done. Whether working in the office or out driving routes, his positive attitude and commitment to teamwork make him a valued member of the ACT team.

Great job, David! If you see him driving on your next trip with Atomic City Transit, be sure to say hello!

Thank you for reading!

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

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS UPDATES – FACILITIES

A summary of the project and additional information can be found at the County website –

<https://www.losalamosnm.us/Government/Departments-and-Divisions/Public-Works/Capital-Projects-Facilities-Division-Projects>.

Project Name	Dept	Update
Benchmarking Building Utility Consumption	PW	No activities to report in May
Justice Center Emergency Dispatch CRAC Unit	PD	Architectural drawings required revisions. Pending revised drawings from vendor.
Manhattan Project Era Dormitory Renovation	PW	No update for May
Golf Course Site Improvements	PW, CSD	Mid-America completed warranty work.
Golf Course Clubhouse HVAC replacement	PW, CSD	Test and Balance completed; awaiting final T&B report.
Ice Rink Floor Replacement and Shade Structure	PW, CSD	No updates for May
Fire Station 3 Snow Melt System Replacement	PW, FD	Project Manager working on finalizing Task Order revision #1.
Emergency Operations Center (EOC)	PW, PD, FD	Project team is starting discussions about sustainable building features.

Fire Station 4 Replacement	PW, FD	Spartan Construction began mobilization, surveying, and site clearing in early May. Dirt work and soil testing is ongoing. Groundbreaking ceremony held on May 20 th was well attended.
Aquatic Center Olympic Pool Restoration	PW, CSD	Demolition is completed. Tile installation shall be completed by May 29 th . Project Manager is currently reviewing paint proposals.
Betty Ehart Senior Center Renovation	PW, CSD	50% Construction Documents received, currently obtaining cost proposals from on-call contractors.
Betty Ehart Senior Center HVAC Replacement	PW, CSD	Final Construction Documents received, currently obtaining cost proposals from on-call contractors.
Mesa Public Library EV charging Stations	CMO, PW, DPU	R&M Construction started project mobilization on May 18 th . Traffic barricades installed and layout for charger location completed. Asphalt removed and trenching started on May 20 th .
Aquatic Center Pool Replacement Pumps Design	PW, CSD	Farnsworth is currently working on a new design to improve the functionality of the existing mechanical pool equipment.
County Facilities Interior and Exterior Lighting Upgrades	PW	Miguel is reviewing scope of work for this project.
PCS Salt Bins Rust Correction	PW	Review of 90% of drawings in progress
PCS Bus Canopy Snowmelt System	PW	Construction drawings finalization in progress.
Electric Bus Charging Infrastructure	PW	Revisions to electrical drawings are in progress. Project team is compiling the bid documents.
Brewer Arena Improvements	PW, CSD	Council approved a Task Order with All-Rite Construction LLC, to begin construction in May 2026.
Social Services Action Center	PW, CSD	No updates for May

Airport T-Hangars	PW	Concrete removal for the new trench drain location. Concrete piers completed for new steel columns. Trench drain to be formed for concrete pour.
WR Visitor Center Food Truck Pads	PW, CDD	Due to high price proposals. Project is out for re-bid.
BESC Heritage Gate	PW, CSD	Project Completed.
Ashley Pond Electrical Pedestals Phase II	PW, CSD	Project on hold due to permits that need to be submitted to DOT. Project will continue after the concert series end and after Labor Day.
White Rock Complex EV Chargers	PW	Project is in design phase
Longview Dr. Development	PW	Council Approved on May 19 th a Task Order to begin demolition.
Animal Shelter Dog Run/Exercise Area	PD, PW	No updates for May
Golf Course Finish Upgrades	CSD, PW	Project Completed
Justice Center Emergency Boiler Replacement	PD, PW	Project Completed
Justice Center ATS Issue	PD, PW	Project Team is coordinating with contractor and customers to schedule a utility drop to further troubleshoot.
Mesa Library PRV Issue	CSD, PW	Scheduling with contractor to run new wire to the PRV.
Fire 3 RTU Replacement	FD, PW	A task order has been issued to Trane. The unit has been ordered, with an estimated lead time of 14–16 weeks. Will be ordering a large temp A/C unit for summer months
PCS Ice Machines and Bottle Fillers	PW	The quote is being finalized, working with Angelica will provide the funding string so Facilities can issue a purchase order (PO).
Bonfire	PW	Working with Jerry Smith, Broadband Manager to add additional items to Scope of Work (SOW).
Crane and Lift Inspection	PW	Inspection Complete, waiting for contractor to provide quote for repairs

Fire 3 Parking lot lights and Wall Packs	FD, PW	Parking lot lights are now working, and we are working on the wall packs
Justice Detention	PD, PW	Concrete polishing to start the week of May 26 th .
HVAC Comprehensive Maintenance Program Draft	PW	Draft is at 75%
Facilities Division Operations SOP's	PW	Working on Life Safety Systems SOP's, 10% complete
White Rock Library Front Door Replacement	CSD, PW	PO will be issued the week of May 26th
PCS 1 Window Replacement in Transit Suite	PW	PO will be issued the week of May 26th

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 – <https://lacnm.com/PW-Projects>

Project Name	Dept	Update
NM-4 Crossing and Multi-Use Trail and Pinon Elementary School Trail Extension	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 multi-use trail infrastructure and reconstructed trail infrastructure in the Pinon Park area. The county received design and construction grant funding from NMDOT for this project. A separate grant was also received to extend the trail network through the Pinon Elementary School to Grand Canyon Drive. The designs are being completed by Bohannon Huston and will be advertised for construction in Spring 2026 with
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 in September 2024 approving a Hybrid Road Diet, one of the alternatives presented by the engineer Wilson and Co. The Trinity Drive Safety and ADA project was awarded to Hasse Construction on May 19 th . The project will begin this summer and is

Finch Street	PW	This project design was completed by an on-call engineering firm. Construction Bids have been received, and the contract is anticipated to be awarded in June. 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 2026.
Canyon Rim Trail Phase III	PW	The project design and right-of-way (ROW) acquisitions are underway from Knecht Street to 15 th Street. The design is being completed by an on-call engineering firm, Wilson and Co. The project is anticipated to be advertised for bids in Fall 2026 with construction occurring in late 2026/2027. Completion of the trail design from 15 th Street to 20 th Street is pending ROW acquisitions.
Denver Steels Phase II	PW, DPU	This project was awarded to TLC Plumbing and Utility (Spear D) with construction ongoing. The joint project with the Department of Public Utilities includes full road reconstruction along with utility upgrades. Asphalt paving work paving is wrapping up. Project is nearing completion.
Fairway Dr. – Trinity Dr. to LANL Gate	PW, DPU	This project is a joint-utility project with DPU and is anticipated for construction in late 2026 through 2027. The design is being completed in-house and is underway.
Denver Steels Phase III	PW, DPU	This project is a joint-utility project with DPU and is anticipated for construction in late 2026 through 2027. The design is being completed in-house and is underway.
Longview Drive Realignment	PW	The conceptual design is nearing completion. Next steps include public/business engagement and final design.