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## **New Attorney Hired for the Interstate Stream Commission**

**(ALBUQUERQUE, New Mexico)** – The New Mexico Interstate Stream Commission has hired a new attorney who will be located in Albuquerque.

Josh Mann received extensive experience while employed in various legal capacities to include research of authorizing legislation for reservoirs on the Rio Grande, as well as working with the Interstate Stream Commission on Active Water Resource Management regulations, prior to joined the agency in mid-August.

“Mann will be working on interstate water issues affecting areas throughout the state, but specifically focusing on the Pecos River,” said Interstate Stream Commission General Counsel Tanya Trujillo.

He has a Bachelor of Arts Degree in English and a minor in environmental studies from University of Vermont, Burlington, VT. He earned a Juris Doctorate from University of New Mexico School of Law in May 2006, as well as a Natural Resources Certificate.

The Office of the State Engineer is charged with administering the state's water resources. The State Engineer has power over the supervision, measurement, appropriation, and distribution of all surface and groundwater in New Mexico, including streams and rivers that cross state boundaries. The State Engineer is also Secretary of the Interstate Stream Commission and oversees its staff.

The nine-member Interstate Stream Commission is charged with separate duties including protecting New Mexico's right to use water under eight interstate stream compacts, ensuring the state complies with each of those compacts, as well as water planning.

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