

# Engineering group pushes for Augustin Plains project

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CG/LA Infrastructure Inc., a Washington-based consulting firm, included the project in its Top 100 list of projects. The Augustin Plains Ranch project was one of eight water or wastewater projects, and the only one from New Mexico, included on the list.



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“We are pleased to hear that APR has made the Strategic Top 100 list for 2014,” said [Michel Jichlinski](#), the project director, in a statement. “This project is a very big step in developing a new and sustainable source of water for New Mexicans for generations to come, and I am glad that it has been recognized in North America for its innovation, feasibility, and legitimate purpose.”

The owners of the Augustin Plains Ranch LLC near Datil are [proposing to build](#) wells and a pipeline that would transfer 54,000 acre-feet of water annually to the Albuquerque and Rio Rancho area.

APR says it already has spent about \$3 million investigating the possibility of the project and has now submitted an application with the Office of the State Engineer to see if an official hearing process can be established.

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