

CAPITAL PROJECT FUNDS



**CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND TYPE
OPERATING BUDGET COMPARISON
WITH FY 2003 ACTUALS**

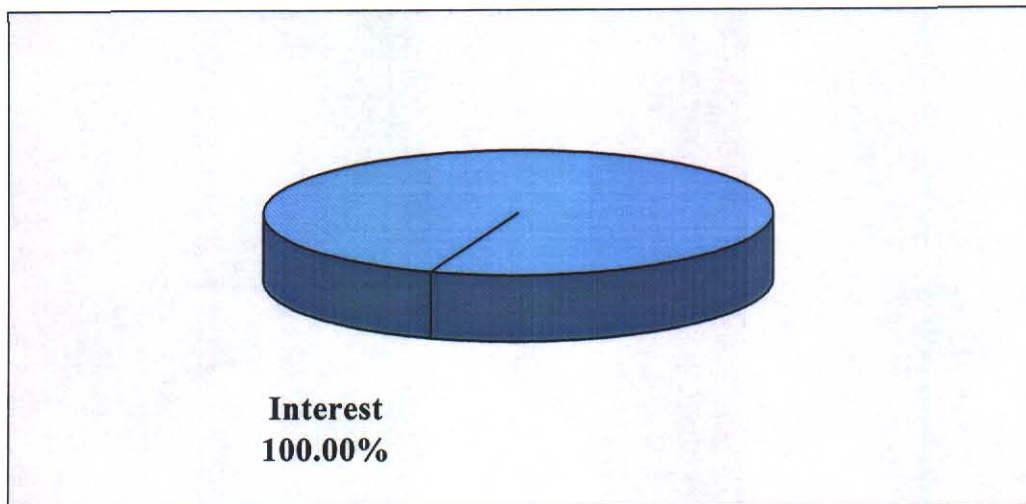
CHANGES IN OPERATING BUDGETS BETWEEN FISCAL YEARS

	OPERATING BUDGETS			CHANGES	
	FY 2003 Actuals	Total Budget FY 2004	Total Budget FY 2005	AMOUNT	%
Revenues (Sources):					
Interest	\$746,878	\$331,958	\$362,000	\$30,042	9.05%
Miscellaneous Revenues	1,750	3,532,919		(3,532,919)	-100.00%
Other Financing Sources		40,000		(40,000)	-100.00%
Total Revenues and Other Financing Sources	<u>748,628</u>	<u>3,904,877</u>	<u>362,000</u>	<u>(3,542,877)</u>	<u>-90.73%</u>
Beginning Carryover	61,736,589	46,535,941	41,607,010	(4,928,931)	-10.59%
Total Available Resources	<u>\$62,485,217</u>	<u>\$50,440,818</u>	<u>\$41,969,010</u>	<u>(\$8,471,808)</u>	<u>-16.80%</u>

INTEREST, MISCELLANEOUS AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES

Interest is budgeted at a minimal increase for fiscal year 2005, mostly due to interest accrued during fiscal year 2004, and appropriated in 2005, for Capital Outlays pertaining to the 2001 and 2002 fiscal year bond issuances. Miscellaneous revenues decreased due to no appropriations set for capital improvements from property sales, as was the case in fiscal year 2004. Other Financing Sources is budgeted at \$40,000 less for a one-time transfer in from the General Fund to fund vehicle purchases for the Constables in fiscal year 2004.

**Fiscal Year 2005 Budget
Revenues (Sources) – Capital Projects Fund Type - \$362,000**



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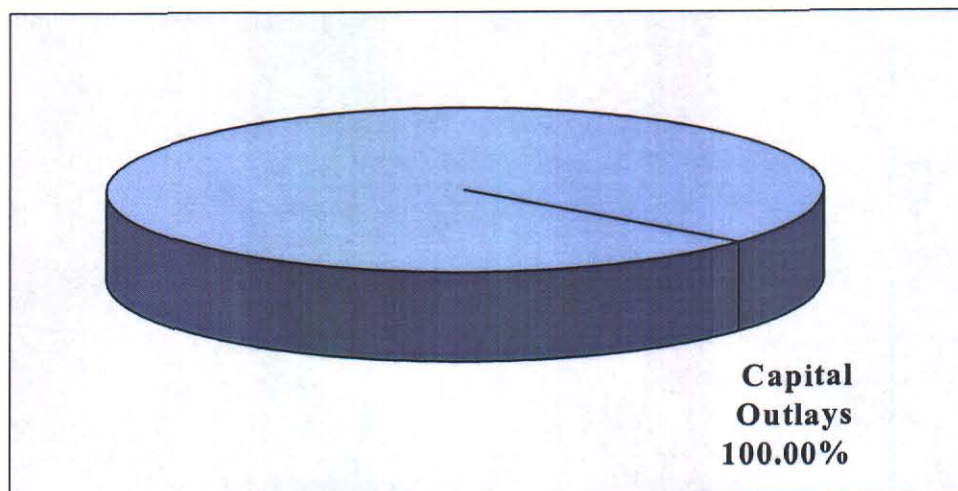
CHANGES IN OPERATING BUDGETS BETWEEN FISCAL YEARS

	FY 2003 Actuals	OPERATING BUDGETS		CHANGES	
		Total Budget FY 2004	Total Budget FY 2005	AMOUNT	%
Appropriations/Expenditures (Uses):					
Capital Outlays	\$15,949,276	\$3,995,411	\$692,773	(\$3,302,638)	-82.66%
Total					
Appropriations/Expenditures	15,949,276	3,995,411	692,773	(3,302,638)	-82.66%
Encumbrances		883,897	3,974,845	3,090,948	349.70%
Ending Carryover	46,535,941	45,561,510	37,301,392	(8,260,118)	-18.13%
Total					
Appropriations/Expenditures and Carryover	\$62,485,217	\$50,440,818	\$41,969,010	(\$8,471,808)	-16.80%

CAPITAL OUTLAYS

Under the Capital Projects Fund Type, appropriations for fiscal year 2005 decreased due to no new bond issuances or material project sales anticipated for fiscal year 2005.

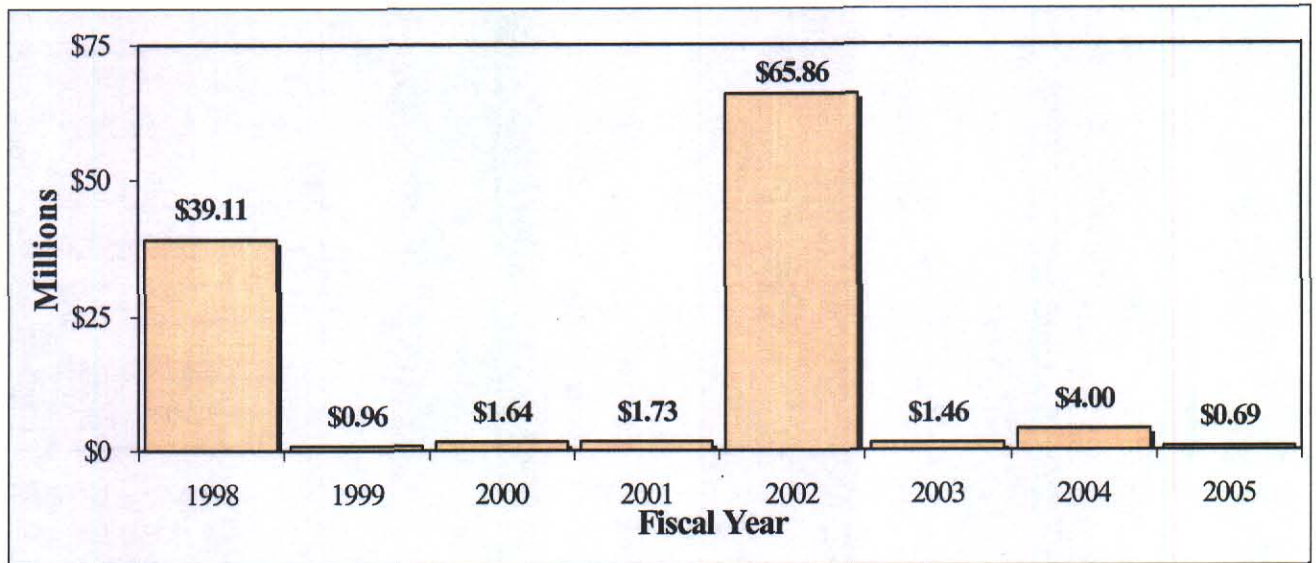
**Fiscal Year 2005 Budget
Appropriations (Uses) – Capital Projects Fund Type - \$692,773**



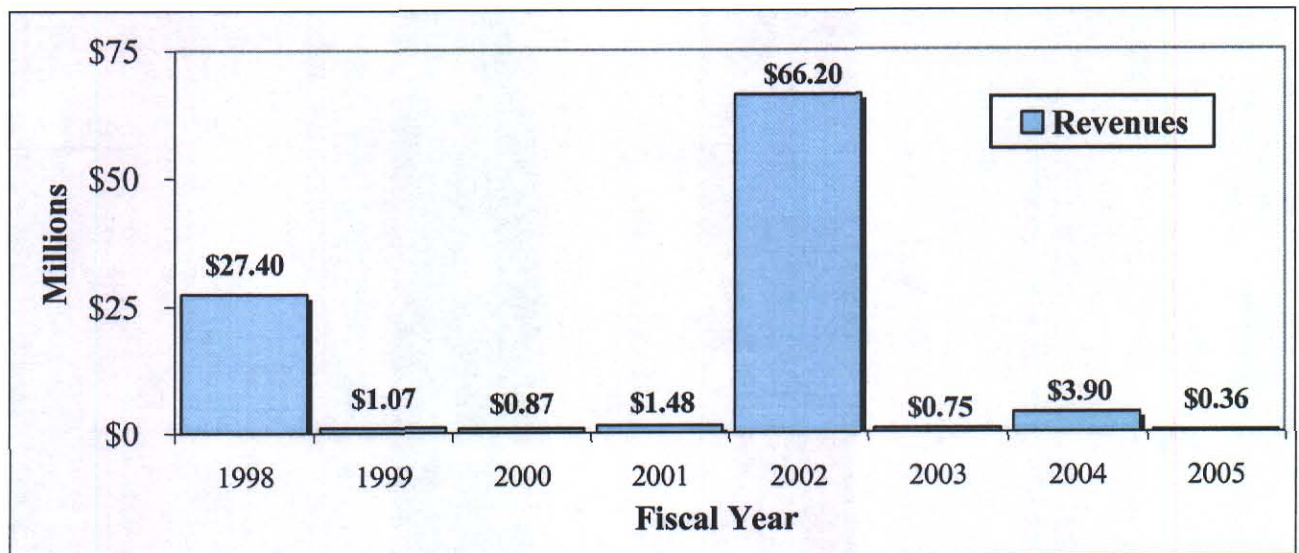
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND TYPE OPERATING BUDGET COMPARISON WITH FY 2003 ACTUALS

The following tables provide information regarding the Capital Project Fund Type overall budgets and revenue/expenditure actuals since fiscal year 1998. **Details can be found in the revenue and expenditure sections of this document.**

Capital Projects Fund Type – Budget Trends



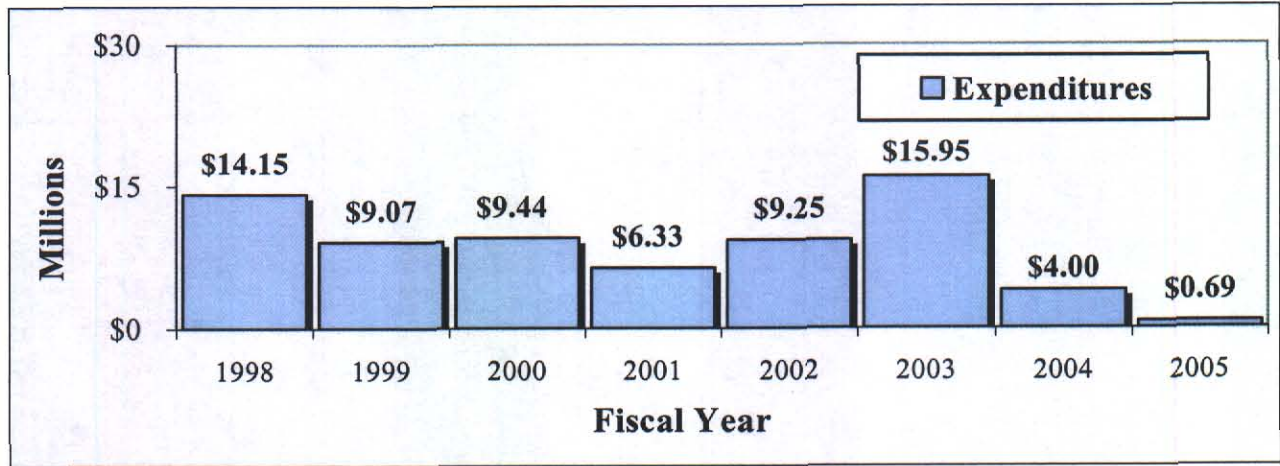
Revenues (Sources): Capital Projects Fund Type-Revenue Trends



* FY 2004 and 2005 are Budgets, 1998-2003 are Actuals

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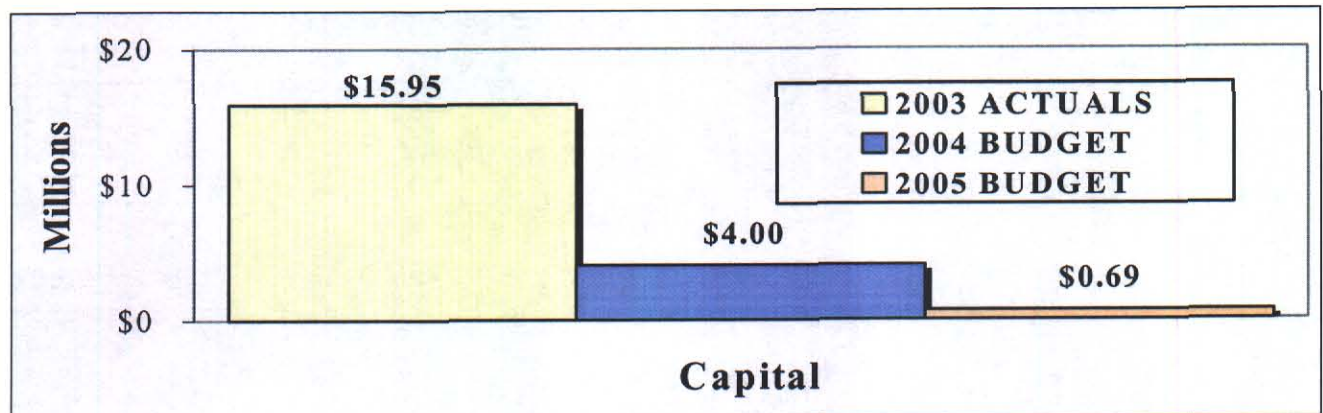
Capital Projects Fund Type – Expenditure Trends



*FY 2004 and 2005 are Budgets, 1998-2003 are Actuals

SUMMARY FOR FISCAL YEAR 2005 BY CHARACTER

Character	FY 2003 Actuals	OPERATING BUDGETS		Changes	
		FY 2004	FY 2005	Amount	%
Capital	\$15,949,276	\$3,995,411	\$692,773	(\$3,302,638)	-82.66%
Total Budgets and Actuals	\$15,949,276	\$3,995,411	\$692,773	(\$3,302,638)	-82.66%



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DEPARTMENT DESCRIPTION AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The Capital Projects fund is used to account for expenditures related to acquisitions of new fixed assets through construction and renovation or betterment of existing fixed assets. Capital Projects are generally budgeted on a project basis in the year that the project begins with subsequent budget revisions or additions only upon identification of new resources for the project as approved by the Commissioners Court.

FINANCIAL TRENDS				
Character	2003 Actuals	2004 Budget	2005 Budget	Percentage Change in Budget
Personnel				
Operating				
Capital	\$15,949,276	\$3,995,411	\$692,773	-82.66%
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WORK PROGRAM TRENDS			
Department Activity	2003 Actuals	2004 Actuals	2005 Projected
		Not Applicable	

STAFFING TRENDS			
Authorized Positions	2003	Fiscal Year	
		2004	2005
Full-time employees		Not Applicable	
Part-time employees			
Totals			

AUTHORIZED POSITION DETAIL

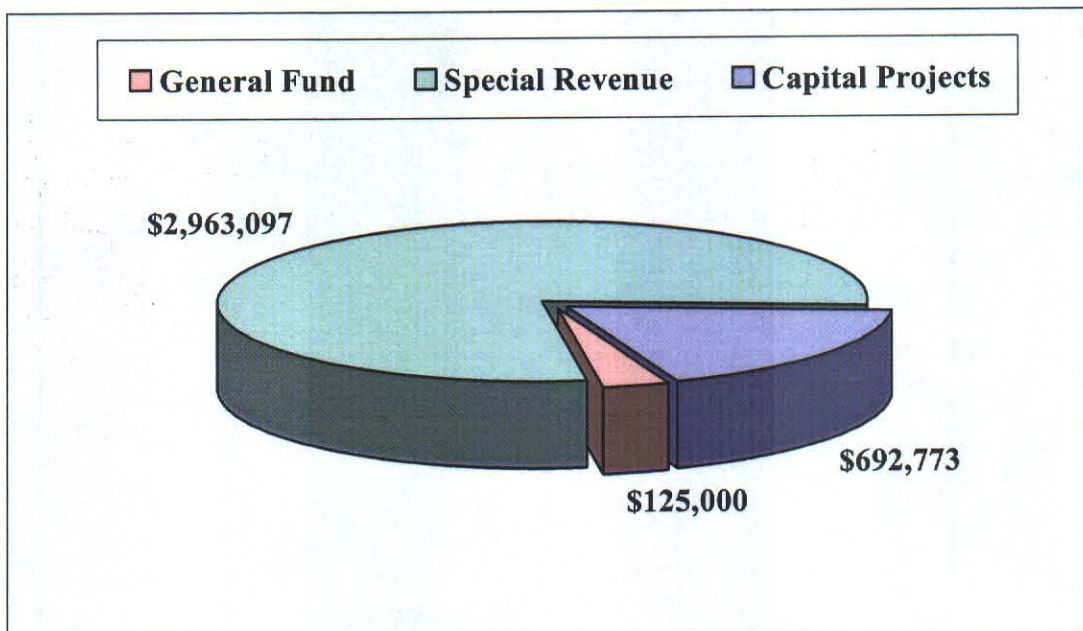
Not Applicable

CAPITAL PROJECT PLANNING

OVERVIEW

The County of El Paso adopted its fiscal year 2005 operating budget which includes only minimal capital outlay appropriations at the departmental level. Ten years ago, the Commissioners Court issued Certificates of Obligation in the amount of \$3,210,000 for Capital equipment and improvements for various County departments and projects to be repaid from ad valorem property taxes. In past years, all departmental Capital outlay requests were budgeted and paid for with appropriations in each respective departmental budget. In fiscal year 2000, the County worked on establishing a "Capital Improvement Plan", which would be maintained on a yearly basis enabling the County to more adequately maintain its major equipment and vehicle fleet. Consequently, Commissioners Court issued Certificates of Obligation in the amount of \$22,644,998 for various projects, \$5,049,277 of which was to cover Countywide equipment and vehicle requests. Additional projects resulting from this issue included \$9,244,217 for a Countywide data processing upgrade, \$6,564,060 for the build out of the 5th and 7th floors of the County Courthouse and improvements to the 2nd and 4th floors, \$1,383,502 for County Coliseum renovations, and \$403,942 for the construction or purchase of a new building for the Agricultural Co-op Extension Service. Currently, Capital Projects are budgeted on a project basis in the year of funding or when bond proceeds are received. On October 1, 2004 approximately \$41,093,760 of appropriations carried forward with regards to Capital Projects in progress, a major portion of this is for the projects, which were appropriated in fiscal year 2002. Of the County's total fiscal year 2005 budget, \$3,780,870 represents new Capital Project budgets by the County as reflected in the pie chart below. Capital expenditures projected for fiscal year 2005 are categorized as shown in the next page by fund and program. Carryover Capital Project appropriations follow. **As a matter of information, for fiscal year 2005, the County has no significant non-routine capital expenditures.**

2005 CAPITAL BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS (Excluding Carryover)



CAPITAL PROJECTS BY PROGRAM OPERATING BUDGET COMPARISON WITH FY 2003 ACTUALS

The following worksheet presents a three-year evaluation of changes in expenditures and budgets for Capital Projects; as undertakings are completed or modified and as new projects emerge in order to meet the needs of the community. The schedule identifies the individual projects with actual expenditures and/or budgets over \$100,000 in any of the three years under consideration. All other small projects have been grouped under one category "Other Capital Projects" and a general explanation is provided.

Fund / Program	2003 Actuals	2004 Budget	2005 Budget
General Fund			
General and Administrative Account	\$100,734	\$354,774	\$125,000
	100,734	354,774	125,000
Special Revenue			
Administration of Justice	69,672	148,396	-
Culture and Recreation	548,666	871,184	-
General Government	173,694	322,515	277,497
Public Safety	359,785	456,329	535,600
Public Works	662,101	2,134,000	2,150,000
	1,813,918	3,932,424	2,963,097
Grants			
Capital Outlays	2,593,373	187,055	
	2,593,373	187,055	-
Capital Projects			
Capital Outlays 1998	157,462	5,738	-
Coliseum Capital Projects 2002	6,114,333	-	-
County Capital Improvements 2001	781,849	150,024	-
County Capital Improvements 2004	-	3,168,000	-
County Capital Projects 2001	475,576	(345,000)	409,497
County Capital Projects 2002	285,018	57,961	283,276
County Courthouse 2002	309,649	-	-
Data Processing Up-grade	140,204	5,449	-
Elections 2002	2,332,979	-	-
East Montana Neighborhood Park	-	200,000	-
Fabens Port of Entry 2002	1,960,879	-	-
ITD Up-grade	990,382	97,293	-
Landmark Building	1,278,203	-	-
Lower Valley Parks	350,212	-	-

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Fund / Program	2003 Actuals	2004 Budget	2005 Budget
Capital Projects (cont'd)			
Northeast Annex	\$526,800	(\$1,405,000)	-
Sparks Arroyo Project	-	500,000	-
Sparks Park 2004	-	120,000	-
Sportspark	-	950,000	-
River Park	-	364,919	-
Time and Attendance	131,631	-	-
Other Capital Projects	114,099	126,027	-
	<u>15,949,276</u>	<u>3,995,411</u>	<u>692,773</u>
Grand Total	<u><u>\$20,457,301</u></u>	<u><u>\$8,469,664</u></u>	<u><u>\$3,780,870</u></u>

Note: The negative budget for the Northeast Annex is due to reversing more budget in the 2004 fiscal year than was appropriated in that fiscal year. Capital Projects are set up as carryover budgets, so overall if we look at all years, this Capital Project did have appropriations to transfer funds from.

CAPITAL PROJECTS CARRYOVER AND NEW APPROPRIATIONS

Capital Projects Carryover and Appropriations	Amount	Purpose
Carryover Appropriations		
Capital Outlays 1998	\$8,617	Various equipment needs of County departments
Coliseum Capital Projects 2002	46,353	Improvements to the County Coliseum
County Capital Improvements 2001	88,320	Various renovations, equipment & vehicle needs of County departments
County Capital Improvements 2004	3,168,000	Various equipment needs of County departments
County Capital Projects 2001	8,773,487	Various equipment needs of County departments
County Capital Projects 2002	25,630,099	Construction of Annex & Parking Garage, Coliseum, Rural Parks, Equipment, etc.
County Courthouse 2002	5,002	Building renovations & furniture
Data Processing Upgrade	22,546	Upgrading hardware and software Countywide
Elections 2002	5,019	New electronic voting equipment
East Montana Neighborhood Park	48,909	Improvements to the Park
Fabens Port of Entry	11,806	Development of Fabens Port of Entry
ITD Upgrade	60,175	Upgrading hardware and software Countywide
Landmark Building	9,939	Various equipment needs of County departments
North East Annex	315,582	Construction of a Northeast Annex
Sparks Arroyo Project	194,000	Construction of the Arroyo Project
Sparks Park 2004	118,667	Improvements to the Park
Sports Park	372,795	Renovation of Eastside Sportspark Facility
River Park	364,919	Improvements to the Park
Time and Attendance	143,974	Electronic Time and Attendance System
Other Capital Projects	1,705,551	Various construction, renovation, equipment & vehicle needs of County departments
Total Carryover Appropriation Projects	\$41,093,760.00	
New Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2005	\$3,780,870.00	*Breakdown on previous page
Total County Capital Expenditures Budgeted	\$44,874,630.00	

IMPACT/SAVINGS OF CAPITAL PROJECTS ON THE OPERATING BUDGET

CAPITAL PROJECTS SOURCES OF FUNDING

The County of El Paso uses various sources of revenue to fund the Capital Projects:

General Fund:

For fiscal year 2005, \$125,000 has been allocated from the General Fund equipment contingency account, the general and administrative account. This amount decreased from \$354,774 in fiscal year 2004.

Special Revenue and Grant Funds:

Some funds for Capital Projects are derived from Special Revenue Funds, which are funded directly by fees and charges for services provided to the community. Grant funds are funded from state, federal and local sources and are spent in accordance to grant requirements.

Capital Projects Funds:

The Capital Projects Funds are used for the construction, renovation and improvement of public facilities, as well as the purchase of major equipment to benefit all of the County departments, and are funded from various debt issuances.

OPERATING IMPACTS/SAVINGS FROM CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND

1. Capital Outlays 98:

Cost to date: \$5,459,540
Fund: Capital Projects Fund
Department: Countywide

Project Description:

This relates to a variety of capital expenditures for most, if not all County departments in the form of office machines, furniture, other equipment, and vehicles.

Funding Summary:

Original funding for this project was provided by contractual obligation issued in 1998 in the amount of \$5,049,277, rather than within each departmental budget. Additional costs to date have been funded from interest generated.

Anticipated Savings or Revenues:

There are no direct savings or revenues derived from this investment, however the enhancement of office machines, equipment and vehicles will reflect on timesavings and efficiency while servicing the community.

Operating Budget Impact:

None



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2. Coliseum Capital Projects 2002:

Cost to date: \$7,939,308
Fund: Capital Projects Fund
Department: Coliseum

Project Description:

This fund was established in fiscal year 2002, to account for renovations and repairs to the west side of the County Coliseum. This expansion included new heating, cooling and seating.



Funding Summary:

Proceeds from Certificates of Obligation 2001 were used to finance this project.

Anticipated Savings or Revenues:

Improvements to this facility have allowed the County to better meet the needs of events holders and the consumers; and resulted in increased booking and significant gains on revenues of \$213,090, or 58.49% for fiscal year 2004.

Operating Budget Impact:

None

3. County Capital Improvements 2001:

Cost to date: \$2,274,222
Fund: Capital Projects
Department: Various

Project Description:

This relates to a variety of capital expenditures, for most, if not all County departments in the form of equipment and vehicles.



Funding Summary:

Original Funding for this project was provided by a transfer-in from the General Fund in the amount of \$1,000,000. A second transfer of funds for \$1,000,000 took place during the fiscal year 2002. Additional cost to date have been funded with interest generated.

Anticipated Savings or Revenues:

There are no direct savings or revenues derived from this investment, however the enhancement of infrastructures, equipment and vehicles will reflect on timesavings and efficiency while servicing the community.

IMPACT/SAVINGS OF CAPITAL PROJECTS ON THE OPERATING BUDGET

3. County Capital Improvements 2001 (cont'd):

Operating Budget Impact:

None

4. County Capital Improvements 2004:

Cost to date: \$0
Fund: Capital Projects Fund
Department: Various

Project Description:

This project relates to a variety of capital expenditures, for most, which have not yet taken place for all County departments and will be spent in some form of equipment.

Funding Summary:

Proceeds from the sales of the Rodeo land will be used to finance this project.

Anticipated Savings or Revenues:

There are no direct savings or revenues derived from this investment, however the enhancement of infrastructures, equipment and vehicles will reflect on timesavings and efficiency while servicing the community.

Operating Budget Impact:

None

5. County Capital Projects 2001:

Cost to date: \$2,389,103
Fund: Capital Projects Fund
Department: Various

Project Description:

This fund was established in fiscal year 2002, to account for the purchase of land in the northeast for a County Annex. Remaining funds have been allocated for various County projects such as the Fabens Port of Entry, a positive identification system for the Council of Judges, and various park improvements, all of which will be transferred to the appropriate indexes upon receipt of definitive cost and bid information.



Funding Summary:

Proceeds from Certificates of Obligation 2001 were used to finance this project.

IMPACT/SAVINGS OF CAPITAL PROJECTS ON THE OPERATING BUDGET

5. County Capital Projects 2001(cont'd):

Anticipated Savings or Revenues:

The Northeast Annex project will result in the termination of various leases saving the County approximately \$120,000 annually.

Operating Budget Impact:

Operating: Utilities, Contracted Services and Maintenance and Repair of building-\$64,000

6. County Capital Projects 2002:

Cost to date: \$3,468,599
Fund: Capital Projects Fund
Department: Various

Project Description:

This fund was established in fiscal year 2002, to account for the construction of the new County Annex, parking garage, Courthouse capital needs and improvements to the County's water infrastructure.



Funding Summary:

Proceeds from Certificates of Obligation 2002 were used to finance this project.

Anticipated Savings or Revenues:

The new County parking garage operations will be bid out this year and is expected to generate an additional \$400,000 per year once fully occupied.

Operating Budget Impact:

None

7. County Courthouse 2002:

Cost to date: \$353,800
Fund: Capital Projects Fund
Department: Various

Project Description:

This fund is used to account for the renovations made to the 8th and 10th floors of the County Courthouse.

IMPACT/SAVINGS OF CAPITAL PROJECTS ON THE OPERATING BUDGET

7. County Courthouse 2002 (cont'd):

Funding Summary:

Proceeds from the Certificates of Obligation 2001 were used to finance this project.

Anticipated Savings or Revenues:

There are no direct savings or revenues derived from this investment, however the renovations will reflect on efficiency while servicing the community.

Operating Budget Impact:

None

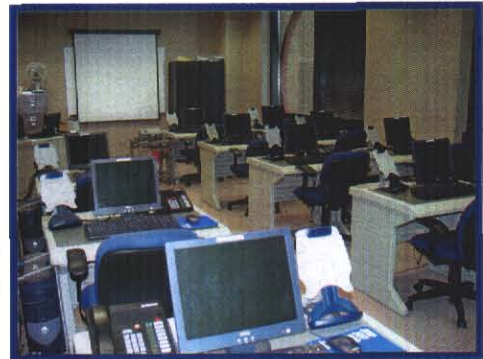


8. Data Processing Upgrade:

Cost to date: \$9,693,518
Fund: Capital Projects Fund
Department: Countywide

Project Description:

This project relates to capital expenditures for the purchase of data processing hardware and software to upgrade computer systems Countywide.



Funding Summary:

Bond proceeds and interest accrued were used to make these purchases.

Anticipated Savings or Revenues:

These upgrades provided and enhanced essential automation to County departments. Although there are no actual savings or revenues, it provides for more efficiency.

Operating Budget Impact:

None

9. Elections Capital Projects 2002:

Cost to date: \$3,018,002
Fund: Capital Projects Fund
Department: Elections

Project Description:

This fund was established in fiscal year 2002, to account for the purchase of new electronic voting equipment for the elections department.

IMPACT/SAVINGS OF CAPITAL PROJECTS ON THE OPERATING BUDGET

9. Elections Capital Projects 2002 (cont'd):

Funding Summary:

Proceeds from Certificates of Obligation 2001 were used to finance this project.

Anticipated Savings or Revenues:

It is anticipated that with the passing of the Help Americans Vote Act (HAVA) a significant portion of this investment will be reimbursed from the federal government.

Operating Budget Impact:

None

10. East Montana Neighborhood Park:

Cost to date: \$151,091
Fund: Capital Projects Fund
Department: Not Applicable

Project Description:

This fund was established during fiscal year 2004 for the purpose of developing a playground and park for the children of the East Montana area of the County.

Funding Summary:

Proceeds from Certificates of Obligation 2001 were used to finance this project.

Anticipated Savings or Revenues:

Although there are no direct savings or revenues expected from this project, it allows for the construction of recreational facilities much needed in this part of the County.

Operating Budget Impact:

None

11. Fabens Port of Entry 2002:

Cost to date: \$3,851,107
Fund: Capital Projects
Department: Not Applicable

Project Description:

This fund was established in fiscal year 2002, to account for the costs for the development of the Fabens Port of Entry.

Funding Summary:

Proceeds from Certificates of Obligation 2001 were used to finance this project.

IMPACT/SAVINGS OF CAPITAL PROJECTS ON THE OPERATING BUDGET

11. Fabens Port of Entry 2002 (cont'd):

Anticipated Savings or Revenues:

The Fabens Port of Entry allows entry from Mexico into the United States, to tourists, shoppers and commuters. The infrastructure of the port will be greatly enhanced providing access both through vehicle and pedestrian lanes.

Operating Budget Impact:

None

12. Information Technology Upgrade Capital Fund:

Cost to date: \$1,537,118
Fund: Capital Projects Fund
Department: Various

Project Description:

This fund is used to account for the purchase of replacement computer equipment to be utilized throughout the County.

Funding Summary:

Proceeds from the Certificate of Obligation 2002 were used to finance this project.



Anticipated Savings or Revenues:

These upgrades provided and enhanced essential automation to County departments. Although there are no actual savings or revenues, it provides for more efficiency in the system.

Operating Budget Impact:

None

13. Landmark Building Capital Projects 2002:

Cost to date: \$1,500,000
Fund: Capital Projects Fund
Department: Facilities Management

Project Description:

This fund was used to account for the razing of the County Owned Landmark Building.

Funding Summary:

Proceeds from the Certificate of Obligation 2001 were used to finance this project.

IMPACT/SAVINGS OF CAPITAL PROJECTS ON THE OPERATING BUDGET

13. Landmark Building Capital Projects 2002 (cont'd):

Anticipated Savings or Revenues:

During fiscal year 2003 Commissioners Court approved the demolition of the Landmark Building, for a possible tradeoff with another governmental entity. In fiscal year 2004 a portion of this land was sold to a private entity.

Operating Budget Impact:

None

14. Lower Valley Parks:

Cost to date: \$15,600
Fund: Capital Projects Fund
Department: Not Applicable

Project Description:

This fund is to be used to account for the improvements to the Lower Valley Park.

Funding Summary:

Proceeds from the Certificates of Obligation 2001 were used to finance this project.

Anticipated Savings or Revenues:

There are no direct savings or revenues derived from this investment; however this project provides healthy recreation to the residents of this community.

Operating Budget Impact:

None

15. Northeast Annex:

Cost to date: \$632,418
Fund: Capital Projects Fund
Department: Facilities Management

Project Description:

This fund was used to account for the construction of the Northeast Courthouse Annex that will house a Justice of the Peace, Constable, Tax Office, County Clerk, Veteran's Assistance and Adult Probation Department.

Funding Summary:

Proceeds from the Certificates of Obligation 2001 were used to finance this project. Construction was completed in November 2004.

IMPACT/SAVINGS OF CAPITAL PROJECTS ON THE OPERATING BUDGET

15. Northeast Annex (cont'd):

Anticipated Savings or Revenues:

The Northeast Annex project will result in the termination of various leases saving the County approximately \$120,000 annually.

Operating Budget Impact:

Operating: Utilities, Contracted Services and Maintenance and Repair of building-\$64,000

16. River Park

Cost to date: \$0
Fund: Capital Projects Fund
Department: Not Applicable

Project Description:

This fund was established to cover costs of a running and biking trail system that banks the Rio Grande River.

Funding Summary:

Proceeds from Certificates of Obligation 2001 will be used to finance this project.

Anticipated Savings or Revenues:

There are no direct savings or revenues derived from this investment; however this project provides healthy recreation to the residents of this community.

Operating Budget Impact:

None

17. Sparks Arroyo Project:

Cost to date: \$306,000
Fund: Capital Projects Fund
Department: Not Applicable

Project Description:

The fund was established to cover planning and developing costs relating to addressing flooding concerns in the Sparks arroyo. This project is being developed in conjunction with the US Army Corps of Engineers.

Funding Summary:

Proceeds from Certificates of Obligation 2001 were used to finance this project.

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17. Sparks Arroyo Project (cont'd):

Anticipated Savings or Revenues:

There are no direct savings or revenues derived from this investment; however the improvement of these infrastructures will provide safety to the residents of this area of the County.

Operating Budget Impact:

None

18. Sparks Park 2004:

Cost to date: \$1,333
Fund: Capital Projects Fund
Department: Not Applicable

Project Description:

This fund was established during fiscal year 2004 for the purpose of developing a playground and park for the children of this area of the County.

Funding Summary:

Proceeds from Certificates of Obligation 2001 were and will be used to finance this project.

Anticipated Savings or Revenues:

Although there are no direct savings or revenues expected from this project, it allows for the construction of recreational facilities much needed in this part of the County.

Operating Budget Impact:

None

19. Sportspark Capital Projects:

Cost to date: \$3,277,714
Fund: Capital Projects Fund
Department: Ascarate Park

Project Description:

This fund was established in fiscal year 2002, to account for the purchase of an eastside sport park facility that includes baseball, t-ball and volleyball fields. This facility also includes a number of concession stands to meet the needs of the public attending the various events.



IMPACT/SAVINGS OF CAPITAL PROJECTS ON THE OPERATING BUDGET

19. Sportspark Capital Projects (cont'd):

Funding Summary:

Proceeds from Certificates of Obligation 2001 were used to finance this project.

Anticipated Savings or Revenues:

Improvements to this facility have allowed to County to retain the patrons of this facility.

Operating Budget Impact:

None

20. Time and Attendance Capital Projects:

Cost to date: \$706,026
Fund: Capital Projects Fund
Department: Various

Project Description:

This fund was established in fiscal year 2002, to account for the costs of a new Countywide electronic time and attendance system.

Funding Summary:

Proceeds from Certificates of Obligation 2001 were used to finance this project.

Anticipated Savings or Revenues:

This project automated the time sheet preparation by employees and subsequent approval by management, thus reducing the payroll preparation time.

Operating Budget Impact:

Operating: Yearly maintenance agreement costs for \$81,759

21. Other Capital Projects:

Cost to date: \$84,499,846
Fund: Capital Projects
Department: Various

Project Description:

The Capital Projects in this category, include the Jail Annex and the Jail Annex Module, which were completed in 1997 and 1998 respectively and were built to alleviate the overcrowding conditions being experienced at the downtown detention facility and to comply with State jail standards.



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21. Other Capital Projects (cont'd):

In addition, the Juvenile Administration Building was constructed in fiscal year 2001 as well.

Funding Summary:

The various projects under this category have been funded by contractual obligations, bonds proceeds, funds from the United States Marshal's service and from interest accrued.



Anticipated Savings or Revenues:

The efficient modular design of the new jail facility allows it to operate with approximately 40% more inmates at only 87.3% of the cost than the older downtown facility. In addition the County of El Paso collects revenues from the housing of city and federal prisoners based on capacity and current agency utilization.

Operating Budget Impact:

The full financial impact of these projects is over \$22 million dollars annually based on current budgeted costs.

Personnel – 348 positions – Salary and fringe impact -\$17,735,047 for fiscal year 2005
Operating - \$4,824,685 for fiscal year 2005- various accounts such as office expenses, utilities, food purchases, professional services, travel, etc.

SUMMARY OF IMPACT OF CAPITAL PROJECTS ON THE OPERATING BUDGET

Cost to date:	\$131,074,345
Fund:	Capital Projects Fund
Department:	Various
Operating Budget Impact:	
Personnel:	\$17,735,047*
Operating:	\$ 4,970,444**
Capital:	None

* **Personnel appropriations for fiscal year 2005:** A budget of \$702,672 for fiscal year 2005 has been appropriated for personnel hired for the 383rd, 384th and the Criminal Law Magistrate Courts, as a direct result of operating the 11th floor of the Courthouse. A budget of \$17,032,375 corresponds to the estimated 2005 costs of personnel operating the Jail Annex.

IMPACT/SAVINGS OF CAPITAL PROJECTS ON THE OPERATING BUDGET

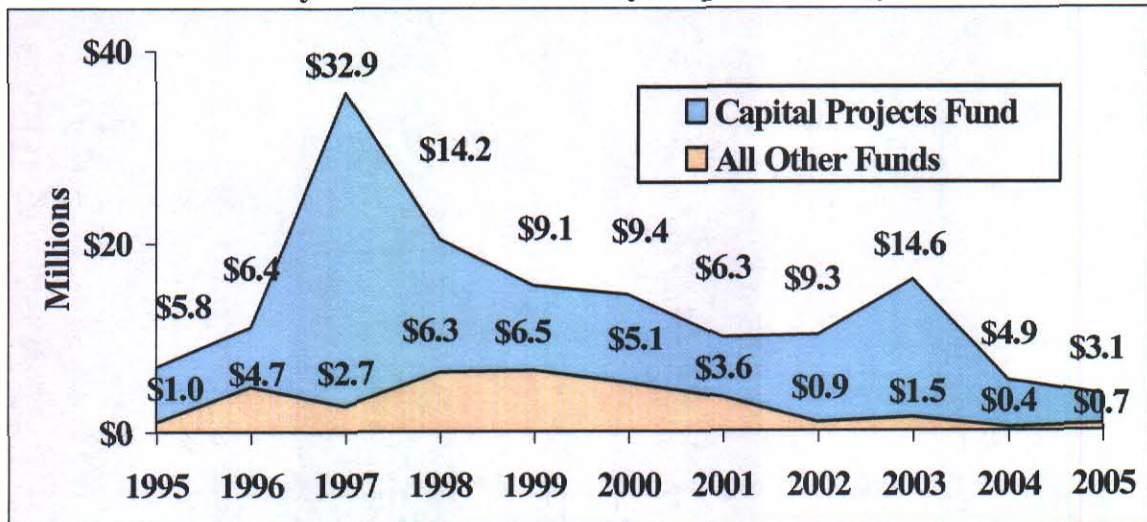
SUMMARY OF IMPACT OF CAPITAL PROJECTS ON THE OPERATING BUDGET (CONT'D)

****Operating appropriations for fiscal year 2005:** A budget of \$24,946 for fiscal year 2005 has been appropriated for operations of the 383rd, 384th and the Criminal Law Magistrate Courts, as a direct result of operating the 11th floor of the Courthouse. A budget of \$4,799,739 corresponds to the estimated 2005 costs of operating the Jail Annex, while \$64,000 relates to operations for the Northeast Annex. In addition, annual maintenance costs of \$81,759 are projected for the Time and Attendance System purchase.

Over the past several years the County has issued bonds to meet its major capital outlays needs and has not initiated any extensive capital planning initiatives other than that of fiscal year 1994 mentioned previously until fiscal year 1998. Capital expenditures at the departmental level within the County had been funded on an as needed basis from year to year as determined by the Commissioners Court.

This fiscal year, only \$125,000 was funded in Contingencies under the General Fund; these funds will be used to meet any unexpected departmental needs for capital expenditures. As the graph below shows, the County's Capital Projects are mostly funded from the Capital Projects Fund.

10 year Trend of County Capital Outlays



***Fiscal years 2004 and 2005 are budgets, 1995-2003 are actuals.**

The Commissioners Court is seriously addressing future capital needs in order to systematically prevent its equipment and vehicles from becoming obsolete and outdated all at once. A capital plan is in progress for the next five years which will continually be updated in order to maintain public service at acceptable levels and to best utilize taxpayer dollars over the capital plan rather than funding on a crisis management basis where capital needs are budgeted when emergency needs arise.

IMPACT/SAVINGS OF CAPITAL PROJECTS ON THE OPERATING BUDGET

The main peak reflected for major capital projects on the graph on the prior page, relates to the phases of expenditures for major projects in progress such as the Capital Outlays-departmental projects, County Courthouse, Jail Annex, Jail Improvements, Road and Bridge Warehouse, Landmark Building and other Capital Project expenditures during construction periods. As those projects were being completed, the graph shows that the County continued to focus on remaining project completion such as modifications of the existing County Sheriff's Detention Facility for compliance with the Texas Jail Standards Commission, finalizing of the Jail annex project, capital outlays for major software projects and the County Courthouse 95 construction project expanding out the 11th floor. Projects such as the Juvenile Administration Building and Post Adjudication Facility, initiated in fiscal year 1999, were completed in early fiscal year 2001. Projects, initiated in fiscal year 1998, include the Data processing Upgrade, Capital Outlays 98, Courthouse 98, Agricultural Co-op Building and Coliseum Renovations.

One notable improvement the Commissioners Court made toward forecasting future capital needs was by appointing an equipment committee. This committee will be preparing a formalized capital plan that will be submitted to the Commissioners Court for review and approval. This plan will contain policies and equipment replacement procedures that will attempt to project future capital needs of the County on a multi-year basis. The ultimate goal is to fund and replace equipment annually without having to go out on capital bond issues every four to five years, which are generally funded by levying taxes.

MAJOR CAPITAL OUTLAYS

Some of the major outlays are being incurred by the Road and Bridge Department in the form of new paving and resurfacing of existing roads and the purchase of equipment. Current year construction projects are estimated at \$1.5 million. Much of the heavy-duty roadwork equipment of this department was in need of replacement and has been replaced gradually since fiscal year 1996. For fiscal year 2005, the Road and Bridge department reflects \$650,000 for equipment purchases such as trucks and tractors.

The projects referred to in this section of the budget document have generally allowed County employees to work more efficiently by providing them with up to date tools and equipment, such as new computers and vehicles. This has resulted in a more efficient delivery of services to the growing demands of the public in general.

Description of Capital Projects

October 1, 2004

Capital Outlays 1998 Capital Projects Fund

This fund is used to account for purchase of equipment and software for various County Departments. Proceeds from Certificates of Obligation 1998 are used to finance this project.

Coliseum Capital Projects 2002

This fund is used to account for renovations and repairs to the west side of the County Coliseum. This expansion will also include new heating, cooling and seating. Proceeds from Certificates of Obligation 2001 are used to finance this project.

County Capital Improvement 2001 Fund

This fund has been financed, through a transfer from the General Fund in the amount of \$1 million to be used for any un-foreseen needs of departments for equipment.

County Capital Improvement 2004 Fund

This project relates to a variety of capital expenditures, for most, if not all County departments in the form of equipment.

County Capital Projects 2001 Fund

This fund is used to account for the purchase of land in the northeast for a County annex. Remaining funds have been allocated for various County projects and will be transferred to the appropriate indexes upon receipt of definitive cost and bid information. Proceeds from Certificates of Obligation 2001 are used to finance this project.

County Capital Projects 2002 Fund

This fund is used to account for the construction of the new County annex, parking garage, courthouse capital needs and improvements to the County's water infrastructure. Proceeds from Certificates of Obligation 2002 are used to finance this project.

County Courthouse 2002 Capital Projects Fund

This fund is used to account for renovations made to the 8th and 10th floors. Proceeds from the Certificates of Obligation 2001 are used to finance this project.

Data Processing Upgrade Capital Projects Funds

This fund is used to account for the purchase of hardware and software to upgrade the County's computer systems. Proceeds from Certificates of Obligation 1998 are used to finance this project.

Description of Capital Projects

October 1, 2004

Elections Capital Projects 2002

This fund is used to account for the purchase of new electronic voting equipment for the elections department. Proceeds from Certificates of Obligation 2001 are used to finance this project.

East Montana Neighborhood Park Fund

This fund was established during fiscal year 2004 for the purpose of developing a playground and park for the children of the East Montana area of the County.

Fabens Port of Entry Capital Projects 2002

This fund is used to account for the costs for the development of the Fabens Port of Entry. Proceeds from Certificates of Obligation 2001 are used to finance this project.

Information Technology Upgrade Capital Projects

This fund is used to account for the purchase of replacement computer equipment to be utilized throughout the County. Proceeds from the Certificates of Obligation 2002 are used to finance this project.

Landmark Building Capital Projects Fund

This fund is used to account for the purchase and renovation of the Landmark Building. Proceeds from Certificates of Obligation 1994A are used to finance this project.

Lower Valley Parks Capital Projects Fund

This fund is used to account for improvements to the Lower Valley Park. Proceeds from Certificates of Obligation 2001 are used to finance this project.

Northeast Courthouse Annex Fund

This fund is used to account for the construction of the Northeast Courthouse Annex that will house a Justice of the Peace, Tax Office, County Clerk, Veteran's Assistance and Adult Probation department. Proceeds from the Certificates of Obligation 2001 are used to finance this project.

Sparks Arroyo Project Fund

This project was established to cover costs for planning and developing costs relating to addressing flooding concerns in the Sparks Arroyo. This project is being developed in conjunction with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

Description of Capital Projects

October 1, 2004

Sparks Park 2004 Fund

This fund was established during fiscal year 2004 for the purpose of developing a playground and park for the children of this area of the County.

Sportspark Capital Projects

This fund is used to account for the purchase of an eastside sportspark that includes baseball, t-ball and volleyball fields. Proceeds from Certificates of Obligation 2001 are used to finance this project.

River Park

This fund was established to cover costs of a running and biking trail system that banks the Rio Grande River.

Time and Attendance Capital Projects

This fund is used to account for the costs of a new County wide electronic time and attendance system. Proceeds from Certificates of Obligation 2001 are used to finance this project.

Other Capital Projects

Among the Capital Projects under this category, are the Jail Annex and the Jail Annex Module, which were completed in 1997 and 1998 respectively and were built to alleviate the overcrowding conditions being experience at the downtown detention facility and to comply with State jail standards, in addition to the Juvenile Probation Administration Building.