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Attached for your use and enjoyment is the most recent volume in our Cultural Resources Publication Series. This volume 13 in our series is titled Vol Two: El Camino Real de Tierra Adentro. This book contains 24 articles pertaining to El Camino Real. They deal with the trail's geography; the impact of trade along the trail on New Mexico colonial life; famous individuals along the camino; and current management issues related to the protection and interpretation of El Camino Real.

Our Cultural Resources Publication Series is provided free to over 200 libraries, universities, and research centers. However, most of the volumes are sold through the Public Land Information Association in their bookstores throughout the Southwest. Proceeds enable us to reprint past issues that have been sold out and to produce other interpretive materials like calendars and postcards.

As you are probably aware, El Camino Real de Tierra Adentro has been recommended by the National Park Service for designation as a National Historic Trail. We anticipate that Congress will pass legislation for its designation next year. The New Mexico Bureau of Land Management, the National Park Service, and Mexico's National Institute of Anthropology and History have signed a Letter of Cooperation to improve the study and preservation of this internationally significant historic property. With plans moving forward for a joint Camino Real International Heritage Center operated by New Mexico State Monuments and ourselves, we anticipate that El Camino Real will be a featured element in our cultural resources management program for years to come.

Finally, as was discussed at this year's cultural resources training course on Native American consultation, we have obtained a complete set of "SHPO Notes." They are also attached. These five

informal memoranda cover such topics as mitigation plans, trespass or discovery situations, eligibility determinations, testing procedures, and acequia recordation. Your cultural staff will find them useful when making determinations of eligibility or when designing programs for testing or mitigation.

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Attachments **(being sent under separate cover)**

- 1-Publication Volume
- 2-SHPO Notes (five informal memoranda - 7 pp)

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