

Singing Arrow & Tijeras Arroyo Interpretive Signage Plan Themes & Topics as identified by COA, its partners, and attendees of 5/16/19 public input session

Economy

- Cement plant/industry/economics (tied to geology because of mining)
- Agriculture, ranching, piñon harvesting (ex Sabino Canyon in early 1900s)
- Mining; copper, turquoise, Abo sandstone
- Historic fur trade & mink farm
- Logging
- Old hotels & lodging in Carnue/Carlito
- Movie filming
- Land values

History & Culture

- Singing Arrow arch site/history
- Native American presence, including buried historic pueblos
- Carnuel Land grant/Spanish colonial presence/genízaros
- Cultural Practices, ritual dances
- San Antonio de Padua
- Religious history
- The changing population of the area
- The variety of cultures
- Historic plazas, potentially including area with foundations in the arroyo between Juan Tabo & Logan Ranch Open Space
- Feed store that used to be a dance hall where Glenn Campbell performed

Significant sites

- Route 66 Open Space
- Neighborhoods along the arroyo (past & present)
- Kirtland Air Force Base
- Sandia Labs
- Ojito
- Little Beaver Town
- Carlito Springs
- Local ghost stories

Trails & Corridors

- Wildlife corridor, migratory birds, animals that are present; urban challenges
- Historic Rte 66, negative & positive impacts
 - Increased traffic
 - Split communities
 - Split & cut water supply
- Stagecoach stop/routes

- Recreational trails and trailheads
- Singing highway
- Commercial/Trade trails & corridors like the Comanche highway or Carnue Highway

Watersheds/environment

- Tijeras watershed, tributaries, areas affected by it, current critical challenges
- Stormwater quality, pet waste, septic systems
- Bio-zone, land protection
- Forest health, wildfires, ecological succession (ponderosas in jeopardy)
- Water scarcity, drought, climate change
- Stewardship/community/personal responsibility
- Geology
- Balanced Rock
- Bernalillo County Parks, Recreation & Open Space Plan
- Invasive species
- Urban encroachment
- Watershed restoration
- Bird watching
- Common plants, identification, and uses, such as yucca, cota, thistle, milkweed, wild rose, columbine, apache plume, chamisa, Mormon tea, purselane, amaranth, pollinator plants

Potential resources for further research

- Friends of the Tijeras Pueblo
- UNM Anthropology
- East Mountain Historical Society
- Sandia Mountain Historic Center
- Sandia Mountain Bear Collaborative
- Forest Service
- Bernalillo County maps & Tijeras Creek Watershed Collaborative website
- Carnue Land Grant
- Nuclear Museum
- Manzano Mesa Community Center
- Sherry Reams
- Turquoise Trail Association