



COMMUNITY PROPOSAL

The proposed [Community Name] Community represents a groundbreaking sustainable development in Taos County, designed to showcase off-grid living, environmental stewardship, and cultural integration.

Adjacent to the historic Taos Pueblo, this community serves as a beacon of modern ecological living, rooted in the rich heritage and traditions of the Tiwa people.

This initiative integrates innovative design, renewable energy, regenerative farming, and community-centric services to create an unparalleled living experience.

Affordable housing is the cornerstone of this development, ensuring accessibility for local residents while fostering a thriving, inclusive community.

Sustainable Community Development Overview



Key Features and Benefits

Community Arts & Cultural Center

At the core of the development is a vibrant Community Arts & Cultural Center, serving as an embassy for Taos Pueblo. This space celebrates Tiwa heritage, fosters cultural exchange, and supports community gatherings with the philosophy that "Art is Healing." Revenue-sharing initiatives with Taos Pueblo ensure economic collaboration, while immersive visitor experiences highlight Tiwa traditions and values.

Sustainable Infrastructure

- **Renewable Energy:** Solar power, micro-hydro systems, and wind modules ensure energy self-sufficiency.
- **Water Management:** Rainwater harvesting, greywater recycling, and blackwater botanical cells provide sustainable water solutions without groundwater contamination.
- **Passive Climate Control:** Buildings leverage passive solar and thermal dynamics for heating and cooling.
- **Eco & Culturally Friendly Design:** Minimal night lighting reduces light pollution, preserving the natural environment and maintaining harmony with the Taos Pueblo viewshed, while honoring the cultural and spiritual significance of the surrounding landscape.
- **Waste Management:** Comprehensive trash, recycling, and compost services promote a circular economy.

Integrated Food Production

Sustainable food systems include Earthship Walipinis and small-scale organic farms, governed by permaculture principles. Regenerative farming practices enhance soil health and water retention, ensuring long-term productivity and ecological balance. Food production supports:

- Community residents and the restaurants and cafe.
- Taos Pueblo through direct supply and revenue sharing.
- CSA (Community Supported Agriculture) programs.
- Animal synergy practices for holistic farm management.

Community Residential Home Packages

Residents will enjoy a suite of modern amenities and services, including:

- **Affordable Housing:** The community is committed to providing accessible, cost-effective living solutions for local families.
- **Education:** Schools teaching holistic, sustainable and regenerative living practices.
- **Health Services:** A medical and spa center offering acupuncture, chiropractic care, physical therapy, and traditional healing.
- **Room Service and Smart Homes:** Convenient and connected living solutions.
- **Housekeeping & Maintenance:** Comprehensive home, greenhouse, and landscaping care.

Tourism and Economic Development

Two sustainably operated hotels will enhance local tourism, offering:

- Close access to Taos Ski Valley and Taos Pueblo experiences.
- Immersive eco-tourism through animal synergy and sustainable food practices.
- A unique opportunity for tourists to experience the future of living in a completely off-grid, sustainable, and regenerative community.
- Integration of regenerative living systems, including soil-building, water conservation, and energy self-sufficiency, providing a model for harmonious coexistence with the environment.

Recreation and Community Engagement

Facilities and experiences include:

- An amphitheater for events and movies.
- Sports courts, fields, ice-skating, horseback riding, walking trails and a natural swimming pool.
- A petting zoo, naturalist excursions, and a wellness-focused spa.

Senior Living

Affordable assisted and unassisted senior housing options encourage multigenerational living and integrate elder care into the fabric of the community.

Collaborations and Partnerships

- Taos Pueblo Partnership: Collaborative initiatives with the Tiwa community for cultural preservation and shared economic benefits.
- UNM-Taos Partnership: Joint research on food production, animal synergy, and field studies to advance sustainable practices.
- Local Artisans and Builders: Community involvement in design and construction.

Low Impact and Low Density Design

The community's layout emphasizes low-impact, low-density development, preserving the natural landscape and maintaining the rural character of Taos County. Thoughtful planning ensures open spaces, minimal environmental disruption, and a harmonious integration with the surrounding ecosystem.

Vision for the Future

The [Community Name] Community is a forward-thinking, sustainable development that champions ecological responsibility, cultural preservation, and community wellness. By blending innovative biotechture with the profound wisdom of the Tiwa people, this project aims to set a new standard for harmonious living, benefiting current and future generations in Taos County and beyond. With affordable housing as its top priority, this community ensures that sustainability is accessible to all.

Sustainable Community Vision

