Geronimo Trail Scenic Byway





# STRATEGIES



Signs posted in Monticello Box Canyon

## **VI. Strategies**

The following strategies have been adopted by the Advisory Committee and the communities located along the route. Region-wide efforts and considerable resources will be utilized to implement these strategies in the years to come.

#### Strategy on Development

Continuing development on the GTNSB to include signage to better direct visitors to places of interest and to inform travelers of the location of rest areas and services. There will be an expansion of hiking / biking / walking trails and further landscaping of pullout and rest areas. Interpretive areas will be developed to increase visitor awareness of when and where cultural and historical periods occurred along the Trail. Collaboration in this development will be made with the U.S. Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, New Mexico Department of Transportation, Elephant Butte State Park, the Rio Grande Trail Project and the Healing Waters Trail Committee.

### A Strategy for Maintaining Intrinsic Qualities

Approximately two thirds of the GTNSB is on public owned land. Parts of the Byway pass through U.S. Forest Service land, Bureau of Land Management land, and State of New Mexico land. Maintaining the visual quality along this route will require coordination with these agencies.

This Byway is a long, beautiful drive through rural New Mexico. The GTNSB allows all the people affected by this trail to maintain traditional lifestyles with sensitivity to the view-shed and impacts to the Byway.

All City, State and Federal agencies with management responsibilities along the GTNSB are committed to maintaining the intrinsic quality of the Trail. There is no threat to the intrinsic quality known at present. The current County Plan discusses land development in the future. The Geronimo Trail Advisory Board will make sure that the County remains sensitive to the protection and preservation of the GTNSB.

#### A Strategy and Efforts to Minimize Anomalous Intrusions on the Visitors Experience

The Geronimo Trail Scenic Byway Advisory Committee, in conjunction with the United States Forest Service and the Bureau of Land Management, coordinate efforts to monitor and inspect road areas to minimize intrusions which would detract from the visitor's experience.