Acequia Storytelling Challenge
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Our families, neighbors and elders have tons of knowledge and stories about the acequias, farming, and acequia traditions. As the next generation of acequia caretakers - there is so much we can learn from them.

Use these plática questions to interview someone in your family or community about acequias!

(1) Choose your favorite questions (you don’t have to ask them all!).
(2) Write down their answers, and try to record them on a phone or camera if you can!
(3) Take a picture of them to go with the interview, if they say it’s okay!

* Special note for interviews during the time of covid-19: You may need to do your interview over the phone - or sit at least 6 feet apart from the person you are interviewing *

My name: ____________________________________________________________

Name of the person I’m interviewing:_____________________________________

Today's date: _____________________________________________

(1) What is the name of our acequia, and what do you know about the history of our acequia?

(2) What kinds of things do people grow on our acequia?

(3) What makes our acequia special?
(4) What is one of your favorite memories about the acequia?

(5) How has the acequia changed since you were my age?

(6) What are the biggest challenges facing our acequia?

(7) What advice do you have for kids like me who want to help care for the acequias?

*Optional bonus challenge* - Email a picture of your answers on this paper, or a video or recording of your interview to - emily@lasacequias.org. Include your name, age, town, school, and mailing address - and you will be entered in a raffle drawing to win a prize!