



# Acequia Treasure Hunt

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## **Instructions:**

- Grab a pen or pencil and a camera (a cell phone will work!) - and head outside to see how many of these things you can find.
- Take pictures of each treasure hunt item that you find. It's OK if you can only find some of them!
- Answer all the questions that you can!
- Ask your family for help finding and identifying things you don't know.
- *\*Optional bonus challenge\* - Email your pictures (and a picture of your answers on this paper!) to - [emily@lasacequias.org](mailto: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!*

## Can you find.....

### **1. Your acequia**

What is the name of your acequia? \_\_\_\_\_

Where does the water come from? \_\_\_\_\_

### **2. The headgate (or other opening) that you open to let water flow to your land**

What is the name of this headgate in Spanish? \_\_\_\_\_

### **3. The 'lindero' (the small ditch that brings water from the main acequia to different parts of your land)**

Do you have more than one lindero? Count how many you have, and make an estimation (good guess) of how long they are: \_\_\_\_\_

### **4. A tool that you use to move the water and to farm**

What is the name of this tool in Spanish and what is it used for? \_\_\_\_\_

### **5. A fruit tree**

What kind of fruit tree is it, and what kinds of foods does your family make with its fruit? \_\_\_\_\_

**6. A medicinal plant**

*What is the name of this plant, what is it good for, and what kind of remedios (medicines) can you make with it? \_\_\_\_\_*

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**7. A seed from a wild plant or a farm crop**

*What type of seed is it, and what is the best way to plant it? \_\_\_\_\_*

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*Use your all of your senses - describe how the seed looks, feels and smells:*

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**8. Somewhere on the land that has been shaped or changed by the flow of the acequia water**

*Describe how the acequia water has shaped the land: \_\_\_\_\_*

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**9. Your favorite place on the land (maybe a tree you like to climb or a pretty spot you like to sit)**

*Describe why this spot is special to you: \_\_\_\_\_*

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