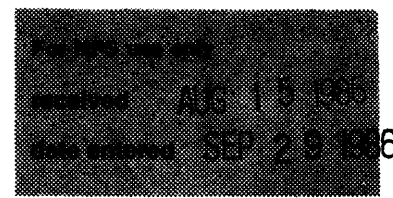


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#312 Parkview Community Ditch, ill. 122, 124-126; Map 12. Vic. Los Ojos.

4. Owners: Parkview Community Ditch Association,  
Los Ojos NM 87551

7. Description: The general appearance and operation of area ditches described in the Description section above (pp. 60-1) applies to the Parkview Community Ditch. Dug in 1862 and registered in the State Engineer's Office in file #0477, the ditch is the longest in the area, dropping over 100' as it falls from the Ensenada plateau to Parkview. Oral tradition recalls a flour mill or **molino** at the ditch's steepest fall.

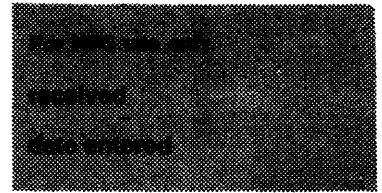
It diverts from Brazos River in a single ditch also serving Ensenada and El Porvenir Ditches 4.5 miles E of Ensenada; desague (or discharge point) 1 mile SW of State Fish Hatchery into La Puente Community Ditch. Major features: concrete headgate; concrete, metal, and wooden lateral gates; total length: 8.1 miles; total acreage: 39.3 acres; irrigates: ca. 1,125 acres; midway dimensions: bottom width 6', top width 8', depth 1.5'.

Since it is being nominated for its historic role in local governance and in the shaping of the cultural landscape (see Significance below) and not as an example of construction or engineering, the diversion dam, headgate and lateral gates, most of which are recent additions, are not recognized as historically significant features. (Note: this irrigation system is counted as one contributing structure.)

8. Significance: Like the other nominated ditches and as described above in the Significance section (pp. 64-7), the Parkview Community Ditch played a primary role in shaping the cultural landscape as the boundary between agricultural lands and the arid sage brush sand hills above and as a field and property boundary which predated all fences and most roads. Through its Ditch Association, it also provided the residents of Los Ojos their most important focus for the communal obligation (see Part I, pp. 12-13), organization and decision-making which was central to the agrarian Hispanic villages of northern New Mexico. Since the village is not incorporated and the association continues to function, the ditch provides a vital social link with the historic cultural roots of the area.

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10. Acreage: 39.3 acres

<u>UTM References</u>	<u>Zone</u>	<u>Eastings</u>	<u>Northings</u>
J	13	367460	4067000
K	13	367440	4066000
R	13	358460	4063960
M	13	359000	4065000
S	13	362000	4067460

Boundary: A polygon, roughly 20' by 8.1 miles, formed by two lines parallel to and ten feet from mid-ditch, extending from the headgate to the desagüe. The boundary has been drawn tightly to include the ditch and its embankments.