Administration and Finance  
Weekly Activity Report  
Week Ending: April 10, 2015

- **Compacting Receptacles** - Grounds and Recycling are installing 6 solar power compacting trash receptacles and recycling container units on campus. These units will be placed in the vicinity of Education Services, Corbett Center, Undergraduate Learning Center, Frenger Food Court, and Hadley Hall. The Recycling containers will be single stream collection points. Solar Belly compacting trash receptacles are being bought with the monitoring package which will send a text message when they are full and need to be emptied. This will reduce the time spent by Grounds emptying trash receptacles which can be focused on other activities which was part of our proposed budget reduction activities. It takes 6 weeks to receive the units so installation will be in mid-June.

Solid Waste and Grounds are installing 9 additional Millennium 2000 self-compacting trash receptacles on campus. Currently we have installed these units at the Sisbarro Community Park, Upper and Lower Intramural Fields, Activity Center, and Preciado Park. Each unit when full holds 4 cubic yards of compacted trash and they are being emptied on a quarterly basis. We evaluate the locations on campus where we can install a Millennium and remove 3 or more exterior trash receptacles. This was another item in our budget reduction exercise which will reduce servicing of trash receptacles so additional time can be focused on attending to the appearance of high traffic areas on campus.

- **IT Services Restored After April 7th Outage** - ICT has restored IT services interrupted by the inadvertent triggering of the fire suppression system in NMSU’s primary datacenter. The event, which continues to significantly impact IT operations, impaired or damaged more than 50 primary data storage disk drives, impaired more than 250 servers, significantly damaged one production server, and caused interruptions to Banner systems’ services across NMSU. To ensure service availability to NMSU students, IT staff worked throughout Tuesday and well into Wednesday evening to repair equipment and recover software systems and NMSU data. As of 5:00 p.m. on April 8th, IT services were available with no data loss reported. For the near future, IT staff across the university will continue to deal with the aftermath of the event, repairing/tuning systems that are not operating to optimal performance levels.
• **Founders Day Celebration** - All Operations shops are participating in the Founders Day Celebration. The Electric shop installed new exterior outlets in the Traders Plaza to provide power for this and future events. Grounds provided the driver and attendant for the shuttle which was used to transport attendees to the plaza. Facilities Maintenance, Moving Services, Paint Shop, Grounds and Custodial shops performed event set up and cleaning activities.

• **Thermal Storage Pool** - Plant Operations personnel have been providing oversight as B&H Mechanical are performing the piping system repairs on the Thermal Storage Pool. Once the repairs are completed the thermal storage pool will be filled and returned to service. This pool is used to store chilled water that is distributed across campus during the day as part of our energy saving efforts. Utilizing the chilled water from the pool allows us to leave the electric chillers turned off during the peak electrical period. The chilled water is regenerated at night during the off-peak electrical period.

• **From Heating to Cooling** - Mechanical shop personnel are in the process of transitioning the campus building from heating to cooling. They are verifying proper operations of the cooling systems in the building and performing start up for evaporative cooling on campus.

• **Temporary Power Failure** - Electric Shop personnel responded to a loss of power at Leyendecker Science Center. They met representatives from El Paso Electric on site and performed joint trouble shooting activities to determine the power failure. The problem was identified as a blown out cable from the well back to the El Paso Electric Facility interface point. A new cable was pulled by the Electric shop and the well was returned to service.