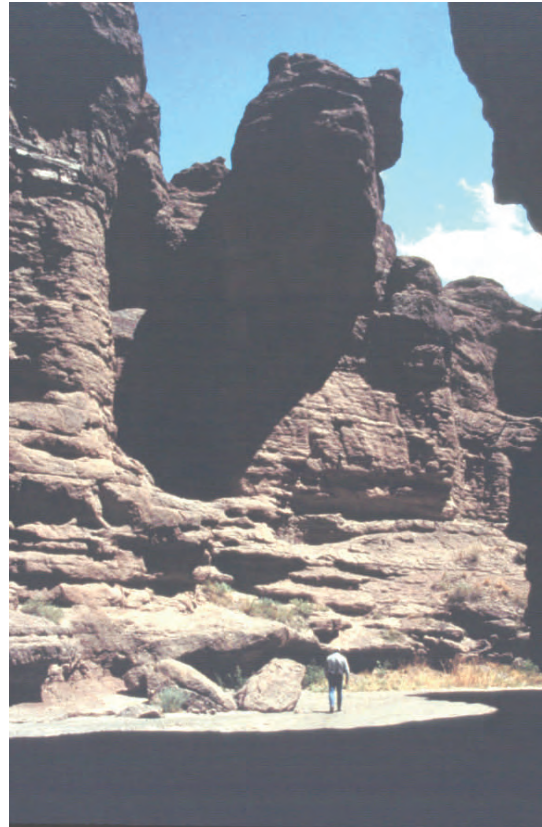

The Organization

Amigos de la Sevilleta was founded on Nov. 15, 2006, following several months of meetings, during which organizing committee members met with refuge management to define areas in which a citizen support group could assist the refuge. By-laws were approved in December, 2006. Los Amigos is governed by a Board of Directors, consisting of president, vice president, treasurer, secretary, and three directors-at-large, together with non-voting liason members appointed by the refuge management and the University of New Mexico. Officers and directors are to be elected to two year terms at an annual meeting of members.

Los Amigos Mission Statement

Amigos de la Sevilleta National Wildlife Refuge, Inc., is an independent, non-profit corporation* dedicated to supporting the Sevilleta NWR in the conservation of wild life and habitats through environmental education and research. The corporation shall promote the preservation of the natural and historical resources of the Refuge, foster its use and enjoyment by the public consistent with the protection and preservation of its environment and wildlife, and engage in such educational, scientific and civic activities as will assist the management of the Refuge in carrying out its mandates.

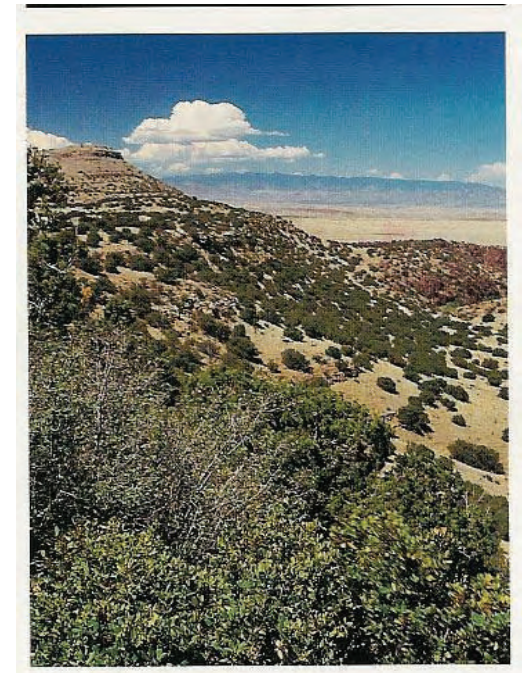
*Application for 501 (c) (3) non-profit status pending approval.



Hiking in San Lorenzo Canyon

Member Benefits

- ◆ Quarterly newsletter featuring reports on wildlife and habitat, environmental research, plus calendar of events.
- ◆ Discounts on merchandise in the gift shop.
- ◆ Members-only special events and guided tours.



***A volunteer, non-profit group
supporting the
Sevilleta National
Wildlife Refuge***

Sevilleta National Wildlife Refuge

Approximately 230,000 acres in size, the Sevilleta National Wildlife Refuge is a vast landscape in the heart of New Mexico. It supports four major ecosystems, touches two mountain ranges, and embraces the largest river in the state. Its magnitude and austere beauty make the refuge unforgettable, but its true significance lies in its function.

The Sevilleta National Wildlife Refuge is managed not for selected species of wildlife (as are most refuges), but for the natural processes of flood, fire and succession that sustain this huge landscape's functioning ecosystems. Coming together within the refuge boundaries are the Chihuahuan Desert, shortgrass prairie, piñon-juniper woodlands, Colorado Plateau shrub steppe and Rio Grande riparian woodlands. These varied habitats provide homes to diverse wildlife and plants, many

"The Sevilleta National Wildlife Refuge encompasses some of the most spectacular terrain in all of New Mexico. What a perfect setting for furthering our understanding of the natural rhythms of nature."

Doug West

existing at the edge of their capabilities.

The majority of the land that makes up the Sevilleta National Wildlife Refuge is closed to public access, allowing for wildlife management, habitat restoration and research. Visitors are allowed access by permit only, or during guided field trips such as those offered during the annual Sevilleta Open House.

The refuge is home to over 1,200 species of plants, 89 species of mammals, 225 species of birds, 58 species of reptiles, and 15 species of amphibians. More commonly seen species include mule deer, coyotes, pronghorns, red-tailed hawks, northern harriers, western diamondback rattlesnakes, roadrunners, sandhill cranes and many different types of waterfowl and migrating shorebirds. Bobcats also roam the hillsides, as well as elk, bighorn sheep, and the occasional mountain lion. In 1995, Sevilleta NWR was selected to play a critical part in the Mexican Gray Wolf Recovery Program.

The refuge is host to the University of New Mexico's Long Term Ecological Research (LTER) program and Sevilleta Field Station founded in 1988. Funded by the National Science Foundation, the LTER program focuses on examining the ecological responses to seasonal, annual and long-term climate changes.

Amigos de la Sevilleta Application for Membership

Name: _____

Family Members (If Family Membership)

Address _____

City _____ State _____

Zip _____ Phone _____

Email _____

Check box to receive your Newsletter by regular mail

Membership Type

- Individual \$25
- Family \$35
- Student \$15
- Senior \$15

I want to help with Amigos activities.

I'm interested in serving on an Amigos Committee.

Please complete and mail with your check to:

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