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## **\*\* M E M O R A N D U M \*\***

**TO: ALL STEERING COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND INTERESTED PARTIES**

**FROM: COMMISSIONER DALE BRINKERHOFF, CHAIR**

**DATE: MARCH 4, 2015**

**SUBJECT: STEERING COMMITTEE, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11, 2015**

THE NEXT MEETING OF THE STEERING COMMITTEE WILL BE HELD ON **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11, 2015, BEGINNING AT 1:00 P.M. THE MEETING WILL BE HELD AT THE KANE COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSION CHAMBERS, LOCATED AT 76 NORTH MAIN STREET, KANAB, UTAH. (PLEASE NOTE MEETING LOCATION)**

MATERIALS ARE ATTACHED TO ASSIST YOU IN PREPARING FOR THIS MEETING. PLEASE REVIEW ALL MATERIALS AND ADDRESS ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS TO THE AOG STAFF, C/O BRYAN D. THIRIOT. THIS WOULD ALLOW TIME TO RESEARCH YOUR QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS PRIOR TO THE STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING.

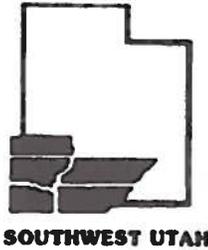
WE LOOK FORWARD TO MEETING WITH YOU AT 1:00 P.M. IN KANAB ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11, 2015.

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## **\*\* A G E N D A \*\***

**STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING  
MARCH 11, 2015**

**KANE COUNTY COMMISSION CHAMBERS**

**76 NORTH MAIN STREET**

**KANAB, UTAH - 1:00 P.M.**

**(PLEASE NOTE MEETING LOCATION)**

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

- I. MINUTES FEBRUARY 11, 2015 - REVIEW AND APPROVE**
- II. FINANCE COMMITTEE ACTIONS - FEBRUARY 19, 2015 AND MARCH 11, 2015**
- III. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM**
  - A. 2<sup>ND</sup> PUBLIC HEARING**
  - B. CONSOLIDATED PLAN PUBLIC HEARING**
- IV. AGING AND NUTRITION SERVICES ADVISORY COUNCIL**
  - A. NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF NUTRITION AND AGING SERVICE PROVIDERS CONFERENCE**
- V. REVOLVING LOAN FUND ADMINISTRATION BOARD APPOINTMENTS**
- VI. STATE AGENCY UPDATES**
  - A. GOVERNOR'S OFFICE**
  - B. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**
  - C. DEPARTMENT OF WORKFORCE SERVICES**
- VII. SOUTHERN UTAH UNIVERSITY & DIXIE STATE UNIVERSITY - UPDATES**
- VIII. CONGRESSIONAL STAFF UPDATES**
- IX. LOCAL AFFAIRS**
  - A. CORRESPONDENCE**
  - B. OTHER BUSINESS**
- X. AREAWIDE CLEARINGHOUSE REVIEWS**

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# MINUTES

## FIVE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING February 11, 2015 - 1:30 p.m. 30 West 300 North Beaver, Utah

### MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Commissioner Dale Brinkerhoff, Chair  
Commissioner Mike Dalton, Vice-Chair  
Mayor Dutch Deutschlander for  
Mayor Connie Robinson  
Mayor Nolan Davis  
Carolyn White  
Commissioner Dell LeFevre  
Mayor Jerry Taylor  
Ken Platt  
Commissioner Jim Matson  
Mayor Robert Houston  
Commissioner Victor Iverson  
LaRene Cox  
Mike Olson for Frank Lojko

### OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

Bill Swadley  
Bette Arial  
Gary Webster  
Lisa Taylor  
Rick Dustin  
Jake Hardman  
Don Willie  
Craig Wright  
Keven Whicker  
Bryan Thiriot  
Allison McCoy  
Gary Zabriskie  
Diane Lamoreaux

### MEMBERS NOT IN ATTENDANCE

Becki Bronson, Excused  
Wendy Allan  
Donna Law

### REPRESENTING

Iron County Commissioner Representative  
Beaver County Commissioner Representative  
Iron County Mayor Representative  
  
Beaver County Mayor Representative  
Beaver County Schools Representative  
Garfield County Commissioner Representative  
Garfield County Mayor Representative  
Garfield County Schools Representative  
Kane County Commissioner Representative  
Kane County Mayor Representative  
Washington Co. Commissioner Representative  
Washington County Schools Representative  
Dixie State University

Senator Hatch's St. George Office  
Senator Lee's St. George Office  
Congressman Stewart's St. George Office  
Congressman Stewart's St. George Office  
Dixie National Forest  
Governor's Office of Economic Development  
World Trade Center Utah  
Beaver City  
Beaver County  
Five County Association of Governments  
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Iron County Schools Representative  
Kane County Schools Representative  
Southern Utah University

Commissioner Mike Dalton, Vice-Chair, welcomed everyone in attendance. Those asking to be excused include Ms. Becki Bronson, Iron County Schools Representative. Mayor Dutch Deutschlander was representing Mayor Connie Robinson, Iron County Mayor Representative.

Commissioner Mike Dalton led the group in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

**I. MINUTES JANUARY 14, 2015 - REVIEW AND APPROVE**

Commissioner Mike Dalton, Vice-Chair, indicated that a quorum was present for conduct of business and presented minutes of the January 14, 2015 meeting for discussion and consideration of approval. Ms. Lamoreaux indicated that several minor corrections were provided by Mr. Bill Swadley and some typos were also corrected.

**MOTION WAS MADE BY MS. CAROLYN WHITE, SECONDED BY MAYOR JERRY TAYLOR, TO APPROVE MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 14, 2015 MEETING INCLUDING NOTED MINOR CORRECTIONS. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**II. STEERING COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP**

**A. & B. MAYOR & SCHOOL BOARD REPRESENTATIVES - INTRODUCTION**

Mayors and School Board representatives provided introductions along with the entire group present.

**C. CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR - IRON COUNTY**

Commissioner Mike Dalton indicated that the chair responsibilities rotate to Iron County for the upcoming year.

**MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER DELL LEFEVRE, SECONDED BY MAYOR NOLAN DAVIS, TO ELECT COMMISSIONER DALE BRINKERHOFF TO SERVE IN THE CAPACITY OF CHAIR FOR THE UPCOMING YEAR. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

It was noted that a Vice-Chair would also need to be elected.

**MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER DELL LEFEVRE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DALE BRINKERHOFF, TO ELECT COMMISSIONER MIKE DALTON TO SERVE AS VICE-CHAIR. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**III. PERMANENT COMMUNITY IMPACT FUND BOARD (PCIFB) - PUBLIC HEARING**

Commissioner Brinkerhoff, Chair, entertained a motion to enter into the public hearing to discuss a Five County Association of Governments application to PCIFB.

**MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER MIKE DALTON TO MOVE INTO THE PUBLIC HEARING TO DISCUSS A FIVE COUNTY AOG APPLICATION TO THE PERMANENT COMMUNITY IMPACT FUND BOARD.**

Mr. Gary Zabriskie outlined the purpose of the public hearing and noted that funding from PCIFB can be provided in the form of a grant, loan, and/or combination loan/grant. Loans can be interest bearing or non-interest bearing at the recommendation and approval of the Board. Five County AOG staff submitted an application to the PCIFB by the February 2<sup>nd</sup> deadline on behalf of each of the five counties to request funding in the amount of \$250,000 for the purpose of completing county resource management plans. This is a statewide

effort that is being introduced during this legislative session. Planning funds are available in the form of a grant from CIB, but these applications require a 50% match amount. It is anticipated that match funding in the amount of \$50,000 for each of the 29 counties in the state will be provided in the state's budget. This effort will assist with public lands management efforts and provide consistency in plans throughout the state.

Commissioner Jim Matson explained that under FLPMA, NPA and NEPA rules federal government agencies are required to coordinate local plans with federal plans to assure consistency. All county resource management plans need to be updated to included lands that should be preserved, protected, etc. If there are no plans available to examine for consistency, then the federal government can proceed as they like with their planning efforts. It is proposed that a consultant would be hired through a process utilizing the AOG procurement. The consultant would work with each of the five counties in development and updating their respective Resource Management Plans. It was noted that the application will not move forward if the legislature does not provide funding as anticipated. Commissioner Matson mentioned that this is a huge opportunity for counties. Kane County has zoned all public and private lands within their county boundaries. Federal officials will have to get used to this concept. Counties have been able to participate as cooperating agencies, but this will provide a much better process for coordination. If counties have adopted resource management plans, federal officials must consider these plans at the table. Differences in plans would be elevated to the Secretary of the Interior level. Commissioner Victor Iverson reported that Washington County recently assigned a staff person to coordinate with Kane County. Mr. Zabriskie indicated that the Association of Governments role will be to pull this process together. The AOG does not have technical expertise in areas such as range management, geologic experts, etc. to write these plans. However, it is important that counties work together to hire one consultant for this project. Senator Ralph Okerlund is sponsoring the bill on the Senate side and Representative Keven Stratton will run the bill through the House. Mr. Bryan Thiriot indicated that the bills are not numbered at this time. He announced that Friday is Rural Legislative Day. AOG staff will be following these legislative bills as they move forward.

Commissioner Mike Dalton mentioned that some type of legislation was mentioned that would provide funding for county surveyors to relocate survey markers. Mr. Zabriskie indicated that this is a separate bill, but it would also provide \$50,000 per county for this effort.

Commissioner Dale Brinkerhoff, Chair, noted no other comments and declared the public hearing closed.

#### **IV. HUMAN SERVICES COUNCIL**

##### **A. SOCIAL SERVICES BLOCK GRANT - FY 2015 APPROPRIATION REVISION**

Mr. Clint Cottam explained that the Human Services Council met earlier today to approve allocation of additional FY 2015 Social Services Block Grant (SSBG) roll over funding. The SSBG funds are provided from the federal Department of Health and Human Services through the State of Utah Human Services Department to help move individuals toward self-sufficiency. These funds are typically to help with drug addiction, low-income seniors, senior transportation, domestic violence, youth, etc. The Human Services Council recommendation for allocation of FY 2015 rollover

funding in the amount of \$14,000 is as follows: **1) New Frontiers for Families, \$5,000--** For after school programs and education in all five counties; **2) Special Services for Youth, \$3,000--** To assist with youth at-risk and/or those involved in criminal activity. Funds will be used for the Iron and Washington Counties Youth Court programs and the Foster Grandparent program to mentor and tutor at-risk youth; **3) Home Based Services, \$2,000--** For use in the Senior Companion program; **4) Rapid Re-Housing, \$4,000--** To be utilized by the Canyon Creek Women's Crisis Center and the Dove Center to assist with domestic violence victims.

**MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER JIM MATSON, SECONDED BY MAYOR NOLAN DAVIS, TO APPROVE THE HUMAN SERVICES COUNCIL RECOMMENDATION FOR ALLOCATION OF FY 2015 SOCIAL SERVICES BLOCK GRANT ROLL OVER FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$14,000 AS OUTLINED ABOVE. MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.**

**V. WORLD TRADE CENTER UTAH - SOUTHERN UTAH INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS FORUM**

Mr. Don Willie, World Trade Center Utah, provided background information about the number of World Trade Centers across the nation and numerous chapters that provide service for the international export business. One of their goals is to help businesses think globally to tap into markets outside of the country as a means to grow their business opportunities. A new rural outreach program has been created through the assistance of the Department of Workforce Services. World Trade Center Utah also works with a number of other organizations such as the Chamber of Commerce and Small Business Development Centers throughout the state. Utah ranks #3 in the nation for exports, even though there is not a port available for shipping. Governor Herbert's vision is for Utah companies to share their products and services globally. At this point, approximately 99% of exports from Utah are coming from companies along the Wasatch Front. It is anticipated that businesses in Southern Utah have an opportunity to tap into the export market. The World Trade Center Utah has many partners throughout the world that can be utilized to direct the entry of businesses into the international market.

Mr. Willie provided information outlining a Southern Utah International Business Forum scheduled for February 26, 2015 from 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Dixie State University. The event features a keynote speaker and a robust business roundtable to help companies think, act and succeed globally. These business forums are also scheduled in other locations throughout the state of Utah. This provides a great opportunity for businesses to connect with resources that are available. An e-mail was forwarded to Board members to provide easy registration for this forum. A workshop was recently held in Vernal with a number of mayors and commissioners in attendance. Mr. Willie invited Board members to attend the Southern Utah forum.

A card was also provided that presents the World Trade Center Utah mission and four business objectives. The back of this card contains 10 tips to help businesses think, act and succeed globally.

## **VI. REVOLVING LOAN FUND ADMINISTRATION BOARD APPOINTMENT**

Mr. Gary Zabriskie reported that information has been received from the Economic Development Administration that the Revolving Loan Fund Plan needs to be completed, including applicable amendments, within the next 90 days. A board consisting of nine members is in place to assist with loan approval and administration of the program. He explained that this agenda item was deferred during the January meeting. Membership of the RLF Board includes one elected official from the Steering Committee. The Chairman of the Steering Committee typically serves as the Five County AOG representative. Mr. Zabriskie noted that Commissioner Brinkerhoff has expressed his willingness and desire to serve as a representative on the RLF Board.

**MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER JIM MATSON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER VICTOR IVERSON, TO APPOINT COMMISSIONER DALE BRINKERHOFF AS THE FIVE COUNTY AOG REPRESENTATIVE ON THE REVOLVING LOAN FUND ADMINISTRATION BOARD TO COINCIDE WITH HIS APPOINTMENT AS CHAIRMAN OF THE STEERING COMMITTEE. MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.**

Mr. Zabriskie reported that two other positions on the Board will be forwarded to the Steering Committee for approval within the next few months. Those include a representative from the Department of Workforce Services and a representing the Chambers of Commerce. Notification was received this week that Scott Jolley, Cedar City Chamber of Commerce, who serves on the Board has accepted employment with Upper Limits Aviation. Staff will be seeking nominations from the Chambers of Commerce to fill this vacancy on the Board. The Department of Workforce Services is in the process of reorganizing regional management staff, and an appointment for this Board from DWS will be provided once this process is accomplished.

## **VII. DIXIE NATIONAL FOREST - SUSTAINABLE RECREATION OUTREACH**

Mr. Rick Dustin, Dixie National Forest, explained that the purpose of meeting with the Steering Committee is to engage in a conversation about recreation on the Dixie National Forest and it's relationship to communities. The DNF is seeking input from communities and partners to help develop their recreation strategy. A copy of the Dixie National Forest Visitor Guide publication was provided. Information will be gathered in terms of recreation on the Dixie National Forest from a set of questions that will be provided to those in attendance. Information provided will be analyzed by forest service staff and another meeting will be scheduled in September/October with the Steering Committee to discuss the input that was provided. DNF is interested in sustaining communities and examining things that can be accomplished through partnerships with communities. He shared an example of assistance provided by the Pine Valley Dinner Club stepping forward with some funding which resulted in construction of restrooms at the Pine Valley History Center. The community viewed this as something important and the Forest Service was able to partner in funding this project. Projects that benefit communities could also be favorable to the Forest Service in terms of improving recreational experiences.

The Dixie National Forest hosts 1 million visitors annually, of which 25% are from outside the U.S., 35% travel 100 miles or less, and 40% travel 350 miles. Over 400,000 visitors

stay in DNF campgrounds. The Forest Service is trying to build connections between what they provide and what communities are trying to provide. Visitor responses provided to the DNF include activities such as viewing outstanding scenery, driving for pleasure on Scenic Byways, wildlife viewing, etc. A majority of visitors are staying at least two days. Visitor surveys indicate that most are satisfied with restrooms being clean and adequate, some desire more trip planning, more interpretive sites, and more education. The Forest Service is interested in collaboration in terms of ways to educate the public. The questions provided today are pretty broad in scope. The goal is to deliver recreation to the public in the best fashion with the limited resources which are available. Budgets have decreased 30% over the past six years, which has made it more difficult to deliver recreational opportunities. The forest wide recreation strategy will include a vision, goals and actions to assist in addressing increasing recreation demands while integrating the recreation program with other resource program areas.

There are currently 180 developed recreation sites, trail heads, restrooms, campgrounds, etc. on the Dixie National Forest. Contact information for Mr. Dustin is contained on page 16 of the packet. Mr. Dustin explained that it is difficult for the Forest Service to maintain the current facilities because of budget cuts. The Forest Service realizes that they are not meeting the demand for group camping opportunities, but their budget for capital improvement projects has been eliminated by Congress. It is important to partner and brainstorm ideas that can expand opportunities on the DNF. For example, the Oak Grove Campground water source is bad, but it would cost approximately \$200,000 for a new water system at this site. This is a beautiful area that is utilized from early spring to late fall. There are also egress problems in the fire season and no clear route for escape when a fire occurs. In addition, there also needs to be a long term vegetation plan for this area. The lack of maintenance funding has forced less access to Oak Grove. Commissioner Victor Iverson pointed out that when large amounts of land access is restricted then visitors have to be pushed into a few areas. Commissioner Jim Matson commented that the DNF is at a crossroads with the need for recreation. The DNF needs to care for the land, and at the same time serve the public.

Mr. Dustin asked that members provide responses to the questions provided today to Bryan Thiriot by August. The DNF strategy will cover the next five year period. He encouraged everyone to participate in providing input into this important process. Mr. Dustin will coordinate with Bryan on future meetings with the Steering Committee.

## **VIII. STATE AGENCY UPDATES**

### **A. GOVERNORS OFFICE**

Mr. Jake Hardman reported that Friday is Rural Day at the Legislature. Over 300 people have indicated that they will attend this event. A number of Senators and representatives will participate in the luncheon that day to facilitate questions. Linda Gillmore has been selected as the new rural director to replace Duane Fields. Her official title is Associate Director of Urban and Rural Services. Ms. Gillmore will provide a voice for Rural Utah with participation in upper management meetings.

Mr. Hardman indicated that the Governor's Office of Economic Development (GOED) is working on some legislative changes to Enterprise Zones as well as the Rural Fast Track program. They are also working to replenish funding to the

Industrial Assistance Fund during this legislative session. This is very important funding for the business resource centers in providing service to businesses in rural Utah. Another item of importance is funding directed to tourism for in-state promotion. Legislation currently prohibits the use of tourism dollars for marketing in-state. Staff is also working to obtain funding for county strategic planning efforts.

**B. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

None.

**C. DEPARTMENT OF WORKFORCE SERVICES (DWS)**

None.

**IX. SOUTHERN UTAH UNIVERSITY AND DIXIE STATE UNIVERSITY UPDATES**

Mr. Mike Olson, Dixie State University, reported that the DSU strategic planning process is moving forward with the second town hall meeting held last night. The third meeting is scheduled to occur in March, and it is anticipated that the strategic plan will be completed in June 2015. Additional information regarding this process is posted on the DSU website. Dixie State University is striving to help students complete their college degrees. A bachelors degree in Chemistry has been added at DSU as well as a Dance and Individualized Studies degree. DSU is now offering a total of 139 programs and 57 degrees, 39 of which are bachelor degrees. The university also provides 13 certification programs and 22 minors. Mr. Olson reported that DSU has been selected to participate in a pilot program with the Center for Adult Learning Education (CALE). This will allow students to utilize experience in a specific field to receive credit for a particular class.

**X. CONGRESSIONAL STAFF UPDATES**

Mr. Bill Swadley, Senator Hatch's Office, reported that Senator Hatch has introduced legislation (S.365) to protect and preserve livestock grazing on Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument. This is an ambitious bill that would require the Bureau of Land Management to improve rangeland conditions for wildlife and carrying capacity for livestock grazing. The bill would also restore grazing to the level of usage in those areas that existed when the Monument was created. Representative Chris Stewart has introduced this legislation in the House and Senator Mike Lee has co-sponsored the Senate bill. Mr. Swadley mentioned that the Keystone Pipeline legislation, which Senator Hatch supported, was passed by the Senate. The House of Representatives is now addressing the Senate version of this legislation, but President Obama has threatened to veto any legislation in this regard.

Ms. Bette Arial, Senator Lee's Office, reported that Senator Lee has been delivering speeches, making videos, recordings and appearances to spread his governmental philosophies. She shared a quote from Senator Lee regarding the need for change of how executive orders and regulatory decisions are being made without Congressional input and action. The Senator is gathering bipartisan support of a sportsman act to enhance opportunities for hunters, anglers, outdoor recreation enthusiasts, etc. to improve access to public lands and boost the recreation economy. Ms. Arial reviewed several other pieces

of legislation that Senator Lee is working to achieve including resistance of the Lynch nomination, a balanced budget amendment, calling for a stop of ISIS, abolishment of the Supreme Court Filibuster, a bill directing the Secretary of Interior to sell certain federal lands in several states that were previously identified as suitable for disposal, appeal of the Affordable Care Act, etc.

Commissioner Victor Iverson commented that the wildland fire bill needs to be reintroduced. Commissioner Dale Brinkerhoff mentioned the Dan Love case and his removal from office needs to move forward. Ms. Ariel reported that Senator Lee has written letters, conducted meetings to address this issue and the situation has been communicated.

Mr. Gary Webster, Congressman Stewart's Office, reported that Congressman Stewart has introduced the GSENM Grazing Protection Act with hopes that this will move forward quickly. The House will vote today on the Senate version of the Keystone XL Pipeline legislation. Representative Stewart voted again last week to repeal Obamacare. The Department of Homeland Security is another serious concern in terms of dealing with executive amnesty. The continuing resolution for this piece of legislation expires at the end of this month. The House is being asked to soften language on executive amnesty, but Congressman Stewart will vote against any softening in this regard.

At the end of January, meetings were held with some wild horse advocacy groups in Washington, D.C. However, these groups do not see what is occurring with dozens and dozens of these horses on private land. This is a serious concern that needs to be addressed. Work is continuing with these advocacy groups and environmental groups to gather information that will assist in the drafting of smarter legislation.

Mr. Webster reported that last week Neal Kornze, BLM Director, and Dan Ash, Director of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, were in Congressman Stewart's office to specifically address the Alton Coal Mine Expansion Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement. Staff pressed the issue over and over of why the BLM was not willing to publish the draft EIS for public comment. The response was that the Utah Sage Grouse Plan was not ready and the supplemental draft was not in compliance with the still incomplete Sage Grouse Plan. This is despite the fact that the Sage Grouse Plan and the supplemental draft were both reviewed by Juan Palma, State BLM Director. The directors were asked to figure this out and were told that questions would be asked in the future about these documents, especially when they come to justify their budgets.

## **XI. LOCAL AFFAIRS**

### **A. CORRESPONDENCE**

None.

### **B. OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL**

Commissioner Dale Brinkerhoff recommended deferral of this agenda item to the Finance Committee for further discussion on the validity of this out-of-state travel authorization for MSH staff, the ongoing value of the Mutual Self-Help program, and Five County AOG out-of-state travel authorizations in general.

**MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER MIKE DALTON TO TABLE THIS AGENDA ITEM AND TO ADVANCE THE OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION REQUEST TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION. MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DELL LEFEVRE AND CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.**

**C. OTHER BUSINESS**

None.

**XII. AREAWIDE CLEARINGHOUSE REVIEWS**

Mr. Gary Zabriskie reviewed one A-95 review contained in packet and one late arrival as follows: **1) State Trust Lands Administration, Right of Entry 6142 & 6143 - Parker Mountain and Big Water Seismic Survey**-- This action would permit a 2D seismic survey on the Parker Mountain block and the Big Water blocks. The Garfield and Kane County Commissions are supportive of this survey; and **2) State Trust Lands Administration, Kanab Creek Pipeline, Seeding - Range Improvement Project # 589**-- A grazing permittee proposes to install a 0.5 mile pipeline, one water trough, and 50 acre seeding. The Kane County Commission was contacted and is supportive of this project.

**MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER JIM MATSON, SECONDED BY MR. KEN PLATT, TO APPROVE THE A-95 REVIEWS, INCLUDING THE LATE ARRIVAL, WITH SUPPORTIVE STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS. MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.**

The next meeting is scheduled for March 11, 2015 in Kanab at the Kane County Emergency Services Training Facility beginning at 1:00 p.m.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER DELL LEFEVRE. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MAYOR JERRY TAYLOR AND CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.**

The meeting adjourned at 3:05 p.m.

**AGENDA ITEM # III-A.**

**LEGAL NOTICES**

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GOVERNMENTS (AOG) will hold a public hearing to discuss the following project(s) determined to be applied for in the FY 2015 CDBG Small Cities Program: Five County AOG - CDBG Program Administration, Consolidated Plan Planning, Economic Development (ED) Technical Assistance, Housing Planning, RLF and Housing Program Delivery. This is an on-going project which provides staffing for the abovementioned activities.

received. The AOG will respond to specific concerns and questions of all individuals. Further information can be obtained by contacting Diane Lamoreaux at (435) 673-3548 or dlamoreaux@fivecounty.utah.gov

This public hearing will be held in conjunction with the AOG Steering Committee meeting which begins at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 11, 2015 in the Kane Co. Emergency Services Training Facility, 30 W. Airport Dr., Kanab, UT.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, individuals needing special accommodations (including auxiliary communicative aids and services) during this hearing should notify Diane Lamoreaux (435-673-3548) at 1070 W. 1600 S., Building B, St. George, UT 84770 at least three days prior to the public hearing. Individuals with speech and/or hearing impairments may call the Relay Utah by dialing 711, Spanish Relay Utah: 1-888-346-3162.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) SECOND PUBLIC HEARING

THE FIVE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF

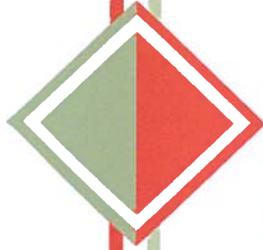
Comments will be solicited on the project(s) scope, implementation and its effect on residents. Details of the project will be discussed, including the amount of grant money

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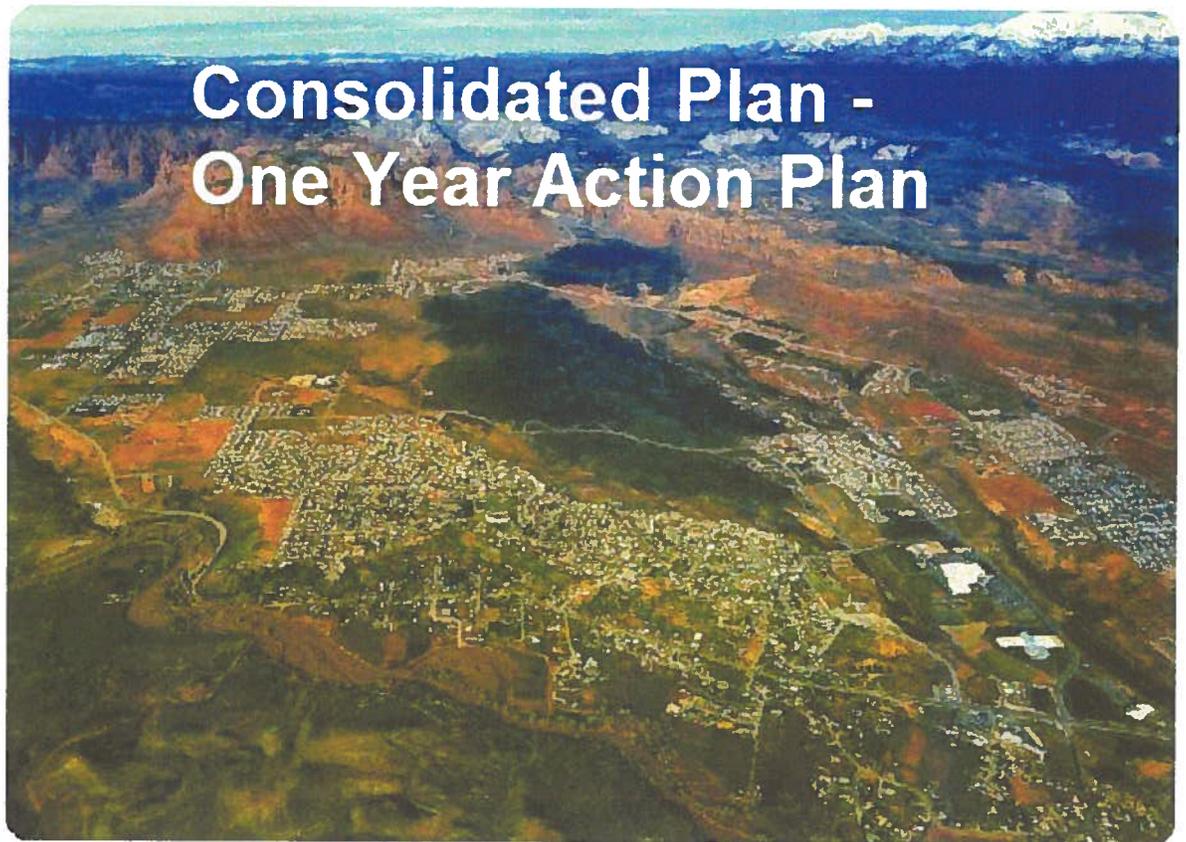
**AGENDA ITEM # III-B.**

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<p><b>PUBLIC NOTICE</b> <b>CONSOLIDATED PLAN UPDATE</b></p>	<p>2015 at the Kane Co. Emergency Training Facility/Search &amp; Rescue Building, 30 W. Airport Dr., Kanab, UT.</p>
<p>The Five County Association of Governments (FCAOG) has completed a draft update of the Five County Consolidated Plan. A thirty-day public comment period commences on March 1, 2015 and will end March 31, 2015. The Plan details this region's community development and housing needs and priorities, as well as strategies to meet those needs and priorities.</p>	<p>Further information may be obtained by contacting Diane Lamoreaux at 435-673-3548.</p>
<p>Anyone desiring to review the updated plan may do so at the FCAOG office located at 1070 W. 1600 S., Bldg. B., St. George, UT, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, or on the web at: <a href="http://www.fivecounty.utah.gov/conplan.html">www.fivecounty.utah.gov/conplan.html</a></p>	<p><b>Pub#L1531 published March 1, 2015 The Spectrum UPAXLP</b></p>
<p>A public hearing on the document will be held in conjunction with the FCAOG Steering Committee meeting which begins at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 11,</p>	



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ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS



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## **CHAPTER I. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

### **A. EVALUATION OF CURRENT NEEDS**

Local elected officials in southwestern Utah continue to foster a cooperative allocation of federal, state, and local funds to address regional priorities. This cooperative spirit has been the norm for more than 50 years. Community development and human services staff at the Association of Governments have worked diligently to document 2015 priorities, as reflected in the Consolidated Plan template. The complete document is available on the Five County AOG website at:

<http://www.fivecounty.utah.gov/dep/community/consolidated.php>

#### **Housing**

- Meeting the workforce housing and low-income housing demand remains to be a challenge for communities across the region. During the 2008-2011 recession, housing prices decreased substantially, but have since increased to near pre-recession levels. Rental housing prices continue to increase and in many communities and obtaining affordable rental housing for low to moderate income households remains a significant challenge.
- All cities throughout the region have some provision for affordable housing within respective zoning ordinances. However, all cities could take steps toward improving regulatory barriers to providing affordable housing and FCAOG recommends that all communities review ordinances and regulations to improve affordable housing conditions.
- Current lending data indicates that there is a disparity in the St George Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) for mortgage loan denial rates for the minority population and white, non-minority population. FCAOG encourages lenders to abide by Fair Housing Laws to affirmatively further fair housing.
- The Five County Association of Governments has been actively working with cities throughout the region to develop affordable housing plans. Such plans include an assessment of affordable housing needs and strategies to improve affordable housing options for low to moderate income households. FCAOG will continue to work with communities to develop meaningful affordable housing plans, which meet the requirements of state statute.
- Southwest Utah leaders continue to pursue efforts to end chronic homelessness, but those efforts must compete with other priorities. The Housing First concept is being implemented in the region.
- Visioning processes through the Vision Dixie (Washington County) and Iron Destiny (Iron County) exercises focused on means by which communities could help reduce housing costs. Some of the ideas discussed included improving permitting processing and re-evaluating impact fee structures. The 2014 Vision Dixie Report indicates that communities are continuing to pursue the principles of Vision Dixie, including those related to housing.

## **AGENDA ITEM # III-B. (Continued)**

- The Five County Association of Governments is continues to administer the St. George City Down Payment Assistance Program under an interlocal agreement. The City pays for the staff of Five County to intake applications, qualifying applicants, and inspecting the residence for livability. Applicants are required to complete a first-time home buyer course.

### **Community Development**

- In the Five County region community infrastructure remains a higher priority of regional investment of funding. This is due to a combination of systems that have aged that need upgrading as well as expansion necessitated by growth demands. In addition to infrastructure such as culinary water systems, emergency services such as fire protection are high priorities. Housing has been for a number of years a very high priority, but it is evident from on-site evaluation visits with each entity in our region, that focus on public safety through improved fire protection is our region's highest priority at this time.
- A Housing Condition Windshield Survey was updated most recently in 2012. The staff of Five County has determined that the instance of homes in severely deteriorated or dilapidated in our region as a whole is ver small. There are a few small communities having a higher percentage of homes in those conditions in their respective jurisdiction, however, the number of units in those conditions is relatively small.

### **Economic Development**

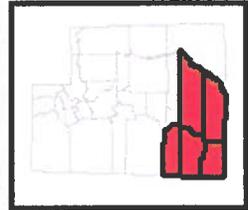
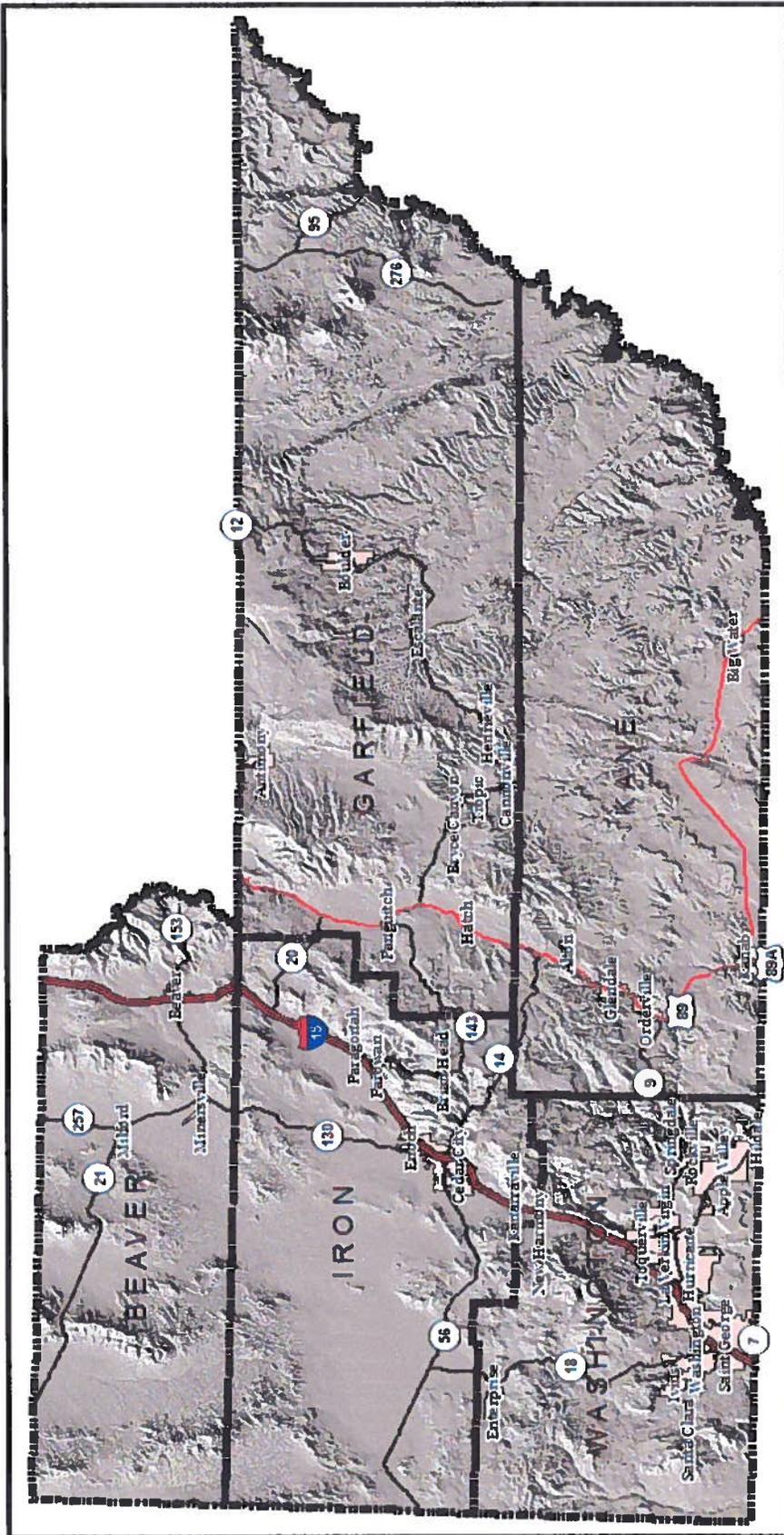
- Local jurisdictions in southwestern Utah continue to participate in county-wide economic development programs for active business development; however, the recent economic recession resulted in tight municipal budgets and in many cases reductions in staffing. The Five County AOG's will focus on the continuation of regional priorities including utilizing the Five County Economic District Revolving Loan Fund as well as other economic technical assistance. The Association continues to provide contracted technical planning assistance to Kanab City for city planning.
- A recently completed project included the development of a Regional Broadband Plan which was a part of a statewide Broadband Plan. The Association's Economic Development staff provides support to the regional Small Business Development Centers including active participation in the "Meet the Money People" workshops held annually. As available housing for a workforce is critical to economic development, affordable housing plan development for cities has been a focus of the Community Development staff at the Five County AOG.
- A voluntary community self-assessment is utilized along with community development program staff knowledge and expertise to determine the state of infrastructure and other non-housing community development needs in our region.
- Local jurisdictions in southwestern Utah continue to benefit from county economic development activities by economic development professionals that actively promote business development. The Five County AOG's continuation of regional priorities includes a focus on utilizing the resources of the Five County

**AGENDA ITEM # III-B. (Continued)**

Economic Development District Revolving Loan Fund as well as other technical assistance. In addition, we are currently providing contracted technical planning assistance to Kanab City for current planning. Our staff has recently assisted the City in the processing of applications for two large downtown hotels, as well as a new expanded pharmacy to serve the area.

- Recent projects completed by the staff of the Association included a Regional Broadband Plan that was part of a larger state-wide Broadband Plan produced by the Governors Office of Economic Development. The Five County Community Development staff also provides ongoing technical support to the regional Small Business Development Centers including participation as presenters at the successful “*Meet the Money People*” workshops. In addition, because available housing for a workforce is critical to economic development, the staff at the Association has developed, with the participation of cities in our region, affordable housing plans required under the Utah Code.

# INCORPORATED CITIES AND TOWNS IN THE FIVE COUNTY REGION

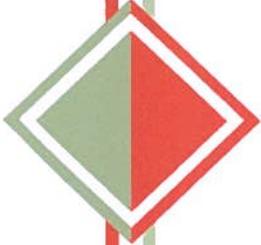


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- US highway
- State highway
- Municipal boundary



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# Memorandum

**To:** Bryan Thiriot, Executive Director

**From:** Carrie Schonlaw, SSW  
Director of Aging & Human Services

**Date:** 3/3/2015

**Re:** Steering Committee approval to cover costs for County Council on Aging Coordinators to attend National Conference

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I am requesting approval from the Steering Committee to reimburse up to \$1,500 per county to cover registration and travel expenses for each of the County Council on Aging Coordinators to attend the National Association of Nutrition and Aging Service Provider's Conference in Louisville, Kentucky June 3-5<sup>th</sup>. We currently have funding in our aging administration budget to cover these costs. All five of the county coordinators have expressed interest in attending the conference; and 2 of the 5 coordinators have already received approval from their County to attend.

This is an excellent conference which will provide valuable information, training and resources to help enhance and improve services to seniors in our local communities. As the Director of Aging Services; I am unable to attend due to other obligations; but feel this is an excellent opportunity for the county coordinators to increase their knowledge and gain new skills. In addition, the State Nutrition Program Coordinator highly recommends this conference. Breakout sessions include topics on: Kitchen's Working Together to Reduce Costs, Optimizing health for Diverse Older Adults, working with staff and volunteers, fundraising and much more. There is also a free pre-conference intensive specifically for Nutrition and Senior Center Directors. In addition, because Five County is a member of NANASP we are able to receive a reduced conference rate for each participant.

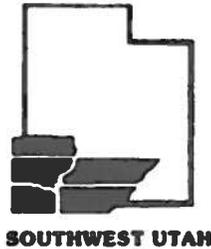
Thank you for your consideration!

**AGENDA ITEM # V.**

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**TO:** Five County AOG Steering Committee Members  
**FROM:** <sup>303</sup> Gary O. Zabriskie, Director of Community and Economic Development  
**SUBJECT:** Appointments for Revolving Loan Fund Board  
**DATE:** March 3, 2015

The Five County Association of Governments has operated a Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) since July 1986. The RLF is intended to provide supplemental financing to start-up and growing businesses in the region that may not be able to generate adequate capital from private sector lenders. The RLF “fills the gap” between available private sector debt and equity capital and the owner’s capital resources. In 28 years of operation, the RLF has injected more than \$8.25 million into 127 business deals, resulting in the creation of more than 850 jobs.

The RLF is operated pursuant to policies outlined in the regional Revolving Loan Fund Plan adopted in July 1987, as amended in November 2010. The RLF is administered by the Five County Loan Administration Board, The nine (9) member board is composed of the following:

- 2 Bankers
- 2 Business Owners/Managers
- 1 Utah Workforce Services Representative
- 1 five County Economic Development District Representative (Steering Committee rep.)
- 1 Equity/Investment Representative
- 1 Chamber of Commerce Representative
- 1 County or Municipal Attorney

The individuals listed on the following page have all agreed to serve on the RLF Board for the terms indicated. I respectfully request that these nominations be approved by the Steering Committee as proposed.

**AGENDA ITEM # V. (Continued)**

**Five County Association of Governments  
Revolving Loan Fund Board Appointments  
March 11, 2015**

I am proposing re-appointing **Mr. West Martin** from Town & Country Bank of St. George to serve . as the other banker position. West is the Chief Lending Officer at Town & Country Bank, Inc. and is also an Executive Vice President. He has been in Utah banking circles for approximately 35 years as a Utah State Bank Examiner, Senior Credit Examiner and Chief lending Officer at two community banks. He has resided in St. George since August of 1996, first in Santa Clara and now in St. George. **This term will run through March 2017.**

I am proposing that **Mr. Paul Campbell**, with Southern Utah SCORE be reappointed to the Board as the investment representative. Paul's career in banking, finance and lending spanned 38 years, including the final eighteen years as President and CEO of a successful community bank that was a leading SBA lender in Washington State. He had experience earlier as a commercial lender and marketing director in four states. A seven year SCORE mentor, he understands what it takes to qualify for commercial loans, especially small business and SBA loans. He is also an active investor. **This term will run through March 2017.**

I am proposing that **Mr. Mark Tilby**, Workforce Development Specialist at Utah Department of Workforce Services, be appointed as the Utah Workforce Services Representative. Mark was recommended for this position on the RLF Board by Ms. Lizetta Lobato, Manager of the St. George Employment Center for DWS. **This term will run through March 2017.**

I am currently working to replace the **Chamber of Commerce** representative for the position previously held by Mr. Scott Jolley, former CEO of the Cedar City Chamber of Commerce. I will return to the Steering Committee with the name of the nominee at a future meeting, for its approval, once the proposed CEO of that Chamber of Commerce has received her Board's approval to serve on the RLF board.

**AGENDA ITEM # X.**

**STEERING COMMITTEE**

**REVIEWS**

**AREAWIDE CLEARINGHOUSE REVIEWS  
FOR PLANNING DISTRICT V**

**NOTIFICATION - Supportive**

**March 11, 2015**

**1. Title: JOHN'S VALLEY RABBIT BRUSH REMOVAL - RANGE  
IMPROVEMENT PROJECT # 595**

**Applicant: Trust Lands Administration**

**Description: A SITLA grazing permittee proposes to mow 92 acres of rabbit brush followed by treatment of herbicide on trust lands in Johns Valley in Garfield County. The purpose of the project is to increase the amount of forage for livestock. The project is being planned and cost-share funded through the USDA NRCS. A cultural resource survey will be conducted prior to the project taking place.**

<b>Funding:</b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>	<b><u>Agency</u></b>	<b><u>SAI #</u></b>
	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>47164</b>
			<b>Received 2/26/2015</b>

**Comments: Garfield County is supportive of the proposed vegetative treatment. They maintain the position that the grazing of livestock is the highest and best use of many lands within their county's borders, and that cattle grazing has long been part of their local culture. They support efforts, in particular, to remove rabbit brush as it out-competes other plants that can provide habitat and feed for wild and domestic animals. (Gary Zabriskie)**