

SAN JUAN COUNTY COMMISSION

RESOLUTION NO. 2026- 14

A RESOLUTION OF THE SAN JUAN COUNTY COMMISSION INITIATING THE ANNEXATION OF CERTAIN UNINCORPORATED TERRITORY IN SAN JUAN COUNTY, UTAH, INTO THE MOAB VALLEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT PURSUANT TO UTAH CODE § 17B-1-403(3)(a)

WHEREAS, The San Juan County Commission ("Commission") is the legislative body of San Juan County, Utah, and is authorized to exercise those powers granted by the Constitution and laws of the State of Utah; and

WHEREAS, The Moab Valley Fire Protection District ("District") is a duly organized and existing local district under Title 17B, Utah Code, providing fire protection and related emergency services within its boundaries; and

WHEREAS, Utah Code § 17B-1-403 authorizes the legislative body of a county whose unincorporated area includes territory proposed for annexation into a local district to initiate annexation proceedings by resolution; and

WHEREAS, The Commission has determined that certain unincorporated territory located within San Juan County, Utah, as more particularly described in Exhibit A and depicted on Exhibit B, is contiguous to the existing boundaries of the Moab Valley Fire Protection District and is appropriate for consideration for annexation; and

WHEREAS, The Commission finds that annexation of the proposed territory will promote the public health, safety, and welfare by providing a permanent and coordinated system of fire protection, emergency medical response, rescue services, wildfire suppression, hazardous materials response, and related emergency services to the affected area; and

WHEREAS, The Commission further finds that annexation will enhance regional emergency response capabilities, improve public safety planning, reduce duplication of governmental services, and provide a stable mechanism for financing fire protection services within the proposed annexation area; and

WHEREAS, The Commission has reviewed the proposed annexation map and legal description attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibits A and B and finds them sufficient for purposes of initiating annexation proceedings under Utah Code Chapter 17B-1, Part 4; and

WHEREAS, This Resolution is intended solely to initiate the statutory annexation process and shall not constitute the final approval of annexation, which shall occur only upon completion of all requirements imposed by Utah Code Chapter 17B-1, Part 4.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SAN JUAN COUNTY COMMISSION:

1. The foregoing recitals are incorporated herein and adopted as legislative findings of the Commission.
2. Pursuant to Utah Code § 17B-1-403(3)(a), the San Juan County Commission hereby initiates the annexation of the unincorporated territory described in **Exhibit A** and depicted on **Exhibit B** into the Moab Valley Fire Protection District.
3. The Commission determines that consideration of the proposed annexation is in the public interest and that continuation of the statutory annexation proceedings is appropriate.
4. The County Clerk is directed to:
 - a. Certify this Resolution;
 - b. Transmit a certified copy of this Resolution to the Board of Trustees of the Moab Valley Fire Protection District as required by Utah Code § 17B-1-403;
 - c. Maintain this Resolution in the permanent records of San Juan County; and
 - d. Perform any additional ministerial acts required by Utah law in furtherance of the annexation process.
 - e. The Chair of the Commission, County Attorney, County Clerk, and other County officials are authorized to execute such documents and perform such ministerial acts as may be necessary to carry out the intent of this Resolution.
5. Nothing in this Resolution shall be construed as creating any obligation upon the County to provide additional services or incur financial responsibility beyond that required by law.
6. If any provision of this Resolution is determined invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect.
7. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED, ADOPTED, AND APPROVED this 18 day of August, 2026.

SAN JUAN COUNTY COMMISSION

Chair

Commissioner

Commissioner

ATTEST:


County Clerk

CERTIFICATION

I certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the San Juan County Commission at a duly noticed public meeting held on the 18th day of August, 2026.

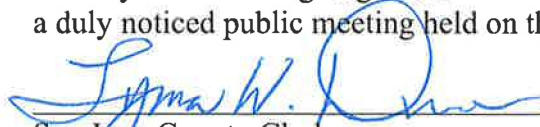

San Juan County Clerk

EXHIBIT A

Legal Description of Annexation Area

A tract of land 15,840 feet (3 miles+/-) in total width, 7920 feet (1-1/2 miles+/-) on each side of Highway 191 with both sidelines parallel and concentric with the centerline, with said centerline beginning at the intersection of the Grand/San Juan County line and the centerline of Highway 191 located S26°09'45"E 2121 feet more or less from the northwest corner of Section 35, Township 26 South, Range 22 East, SLB&M and considering the coordinate system for this description to be the Utah State Plane South Zone Grid (4303), NAD 1983 (CONUS) and distances expressed as grid (not ground) distances, with the side lines extending to, or terminating at the Grand/San Juan County line; with said centerline running southeasterly 102,154 feet (19.35 miles +/-) along the centerline of Highway 191 to a point on the east-west C1/4 line of Section 22, Township 29 South, Range 23 East, SLB&M located 32 feet westerly of the C1/4 corner of said Section 22, with the sidelines at this termination point extending to, or terminating at the east-west C1/4 line of Section 20, and Section 24 of said Township 20 South, Range 23 East, SLB&M.

Also: all Utah State Institutional Trust Lands Administration lands (SITLA), Utah Division of Natural Resources (DNR) and private lands within Sections 31, 32, 34, 36, T26S, R23E; Sections 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 14, 15, 16, 22, 23, 24, 25, 28, 32, 33, T27S, R23E; Sections 19, 30, T27S, R24E; Sections 22, 23, 26, 27, T28S, R23E; Sections 2, 16, 21, T29S, R23E; Sections 2, 23, 25, 26, 36, T28S, R22E; Sections 26, 35, T27S, R22E; Sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, T27S, R21E; Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 11, 12, T27S, R20E; Sections 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, T26S, R20E; Sections 31, 32, 33, T26S, R21E, SLB&M.

