

AGENDA ITEM III.

Six County Congressional Briefing Historical Summary

Year	County	Public Lands Issues
2003	<i>Sevier</i>	Multiple use, roads and public lands access
2004	<i>Sanpete</i>	Prescribed burn concern, trail access, grazing
2005	<i>Millard</i>	Experience ecosystem of West Desert, WSA boundaries Concerns Las Vegas Water Project
2006	<i>Juab</i>	Mona Pole Trailhead, wilderness areas, grazing Mt. Nebo Loop Scenic Byway
2007	<i>Piute</i>	Controversial proposed wilderness area, mining Mountain goat habitat, road closures
2008	<i>Wayne</i>	Controversial proposed land use on Henry Mountains Caineville Reservoir project, Hanksville Diversion
2009	<i>Sevier</i>	Freemont Indian State Park, multiple use, grazing Big Rock Candy Mountain, Paiute ATV Trail
2010	<i>Sanpete</i>	Narrow's Reservoir Project, recreation, grazing, water
2011	<i>Millard</i>	White Sage/chalk creek, West Desert, mining, grazing, Proposed land use planning
2012	<i>Juab</i>	Monument Trailhead, Nebo Loop, illegal marijuana grows Mt. Nebo Loop Road, Wilderness area use/grazing, access, multiple use
2013	<i>Piute</i>	Tusher Mountains, mining, road access and closures, beetle kill trees, Miners Park in Bullion Canyon, land use planning,
2014	<i>Wayne</i>	Boulder Mountains, logging, roadless area, Lost Lake Fire burn scars Aquarius Guard Station, multiple use, water, access to public lands beetle killed trees,
2015	<i>Sanpete</i>	Manti LaSal National Forest, drainages and water sheds, grazing issues, Proposed land use planning, forest management, public lands access
2016	<i>Sevier</i>	Fishlake National Forest, forest management, grazing, Johnson Valley Reservoir, recreation, mining, public access, multiple use Twin Ponds Campground, beetle killed trees, hunting/wildlife management Underground mine tour to witness long wall operation Management of public lands and impact on local communities
2017	<i>Juab</i>	Tour of Tintic mining region, federal overreach, cleanup dilemma, Silver City Cemetery- sage grouse, road closures, natural resources mining issues and concerns, impacts from mine closures to community
2018	<i>Millard</i>	Sand Creek, Chalk Creek, The future of IPA/IPP Power Plant Public land use, BLM wild horses, grazing, mineral mining/coal Timber resources, recreation, fire management, water shed Tour of IPP



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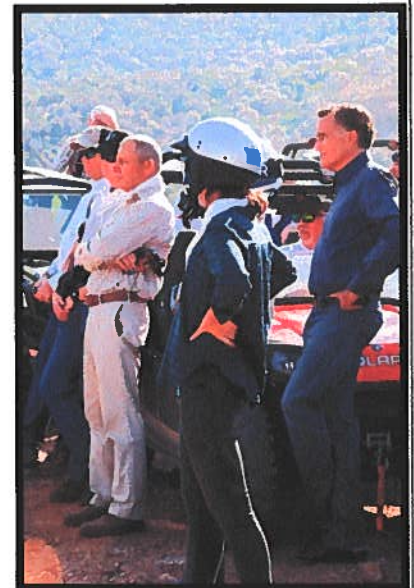
Six County Sixteenth Annual Congressional Briefing

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Attendees tour the Pahvant Range

MILLARD COUNTY – On Tuesday, August 14 over 90 commissioners, mayors, congressional staff, state and federal agency representatives, along with other local officials convened in Millard County for the Six County Sixteenth Annual Congressional Briefing. The Six County Association of Governments (SCAOG) hosts this annual event to help those in attendance better understand the complex issues and concerns facing counties relative to public lands. This year's Briefing staged at Fillmore with Commissioner Wayne Jackson, Millard County and Chair of the SCAOG welcoming all to Millard County. After a delicious breakfast prepared by Millard County Search and Rescue and a short SCAOG Executive Board meeting, the group traveled by ATVs/UTVs through the Pahvant Range of the Fishlake Forest east of Fillmore. Interpretive stops included viewpoints in which the West Desert, mining, grazing, watershed protection, and recreation were discussed. At the final stop a most delicious luncheon was catered by John Hogan. The tour ended back in Fillmore. This year's Congressional Briefing helped those in attendance understand how vital natural resources are to local economies. To learn more about the Annual Six County Congressional Briefing contact Russ Cowley at 435-893-0712 or at rcowley@sixcounty.com.



Governor Mitt Romney, far right, and Congressman John Curtis, third from right, listen as local leaders discuss concerns.

