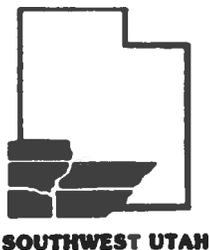


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## **\*\* M E M O R A N D U M \*\***

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

**FROM: COMMISSIONER JAMES MATSON, CHAIR**

**DATE: NOVEMBER 6, 2013**

**SUBJECT: STEERING COMMITTEE, WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2013**

THE NEXT MEETING OF THE STEERING COMMITTEE WILL BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2013, BEGINNING AT 10:00 A.M. (PLEASE NOTE TIME CHANGE) THE MEETING WILL BE HELD AT THE FIVE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS OFFICE, CONFERENCE ROOM, LOCATED AT 1070 WEST 1600 SOUTH, BUILDING B., ST. GEORGE, UTAH.

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 10:00 A.M. IN ST. GEORGE HEAD ON WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2013.

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ATTACHMENTS

**LUNCH TO BE SERVED IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE MEETING.**

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

### **STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING NOVEMBER 13, 2013**

**FIVE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS OFFICE - CONFERENCE ROOM  
1070 WEST 1600 SOUTH, BUILDING B. - ST. GEORGE, UT - 10:00 A.M.**

#### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

- I. MINUTES OCTOBER 9, 2013 - REVIEW AND APPROVE**
- II. RATIFICATION OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ACTION - OCTOBER 17, 2013**
- III. FY 2013 AUDIT REPORT**
- IV. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM - STATE POLICY COMMITTEE REPRESENTATION**
- V. TITLE VI PLAN FOR FEDERAL TRANSIT PROGRAMS**
- VI. DISCUSSION REGARDING BYLAWS AND ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION - (Please Review Highlighted Items)**
- VII. STATE AGENCY UPDATES**
  - A. GOVERNOR'S OFFICE**
  - B. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**
  - C. DEPARTMENT OF WORKFORCE SERVICES**
- VIII. UNIVERSITIES**
  - A. SOUTHERN UTAH UNIVERSITY UPDATE**
  - B. DIXIE STATE UNIVERSITY UPDATE**
- IX. CONGRESSIONAL STAFF UPDATES**
- X. LOCAL AFFAIRS**
  - A. CORRESPONDENCE**
  - B. OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL**
  - C. OTHER BUSINESS**
- XI. AREAWIDE CLEARINGHOUSE REVIEWS**

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# MINUTES

## STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING

October 9, 2013

Brian Head, Utah

### MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Commissioner Jim Matson, Chair  
Commissioner Mike Dalton  
Carolyn White  
Commissioner Clare Ramsay  
Ken Platt  
Commissioner Dale Brinkerhoff  
Mayor Dutch Deutschlander for  
Mayor Connie Robinson  
Shane Adams  
Mayor Dan McGuire  
Larry Bergeson for LuAnne Forrest

### REPRESENTING

Kane County Commissioner Representative  
Beaver County Commissioner Representative  
Beaver County Schools Representative  
Garfield County Commissioner Representative  
Garfield County Schools Representative  
Iron County Commissioner Representative  
Iron County Mayor Representative  
  
Iron County Schools Representative  
Washington County Mayor Representative  
Washington County Schools Representative

### OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

Representative Rebecca Lockhart  
Representative Jon Stanard  
Representative John Westwood  
Representative Brad Last  
William Swadley  
Gary Webster  
Stephen Lisonbee  
Zachary Bolick  
Bryan Thiriot  
Scott Leavitt  
Gary Zabriskie  
Curt Hutchings  
Diane Lamoreaux

Utah House of Representatives  
Utah House of Representatives  
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Utah House of Representatives  
Senator Hatch's Office  
Congressman Stewart's Office  
Department of Workforce Services  
National Parks Conservation Association  
Five County Association of Governments  
Five County Association of Governments

### MEMBERS NOT IN ATTENDANCE

Mayor Nolan Davis, Excused  
Mayor Jerry Taylor, Excused  
Mayor Nina Laycook, Vice-Chair  
Wendy Allan  
Commissioner Denny Drake, Excused  
Frank Lojko  
Wes Curtis, Excused

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

Commissioner Jim Matson, Chair, welcomed everyone in attendance and introductions were provided. Those asking to be excused include: Mayor Nolan Davis, Beaver County Mayor Representative; Mayor Jerry Taylor, Garfield County Mayor Representative; Commissioner Denny Drake, Washington County Commission Representative; and Mr. Wes Curtis, Southern Utah University. Superintendent Larry Bergeson was in attendance for LuAnne Forrest representing the Washington County Schools and Mayor Dutch Deutschlander was in attendance representing Mayor Connie Robinson, Iron County Mayor Representative.

Chairman Matson acknowledged Mr. Bill Swadley, Senator Hatch's Office and Mr. Gary Webster, Congressman Stewart's office and asked that they provide a brief update regarding the federal government closure and impasse on the FY 2014 budget. Introductions will then be provided for those in attendance and agenda items will proceed with Speaker of the House, Rebecca Lockhart, speaking at the end of the meeting. Bryan Thiriot will provide that introduction.

Mr. Bill Swadley, Senator Hatch's Office, indicated that there is really no definitive news to provide. At this point, Senator Harry Reid and President Obama are not willing to negotiate on spending or the budget. The debt ceiling is looming with a hearing scheduled tomorrow to discuss the debt limit. The hearing will be held in Washington, D.C. beginning at 8:00 a.m. Mr. Swadley indicated that he would be happy to forward questions and/or concerns to Senator Hatch.

Mr. Gary Webster, Congressman Stewart's Office, indicated that he has been deemed essential this week and has been involved in a number of conference calls with Congressman Stewart and his chief of staff. The Congressman is very concerned regarding the impacts that are being felt from the national park closures. There have been nine resolutions passed by the House of Representatives but the Senate will not take up any of the resolutions. A hearing is tentatively scheduled for October 16<sup>th</sup> to address the pain of national park closures. He encouraged local elected officials to relate stories that may be utilized in the hearing detailing the economic impacts being felt by businesses, communities adjacent to the national parks and counties. It has been reported that Ruby's Inn has already lost approximately \$1 million and the loss will become more significant next week. The message coming out of Washington, D.C. is that no one is talking. It is difficult to speculate on how long the impasse will continue. The longest government shutdown occurred during the Carter Administration which lasted for 57 days. It is hoped that this shutdown will be much shorter in duration.

**I. MINUTES SEPTEMBER 18, 2013 - REVIEW AND APPROVE**

Chairman Matson indicated that a quorum was present for conduct of business and presented minutes of the September 18, 2013 for discussion and consideration of approval.

**MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER DALE BRINKERHOFF, SECONDED BY MR. KEN PLATT, TO APPROVE MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 18, 2013 MEETING AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED.**

**II. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ACTIONS - OCTOBER 9, 2013**

Chairman Matson reported that the Executive Committee met earlier in the day to discuss and review agenda items. There were no official actions taken.

**IV. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM (CDBG) - 1<sup>ST</sup> PUBLIC HEARING**

Chairman Matson entertained a motion to enter into the CDBG program public hearing.

**MOTION WAS MADE BY MS. CAROLYN WHITE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MIKE DALTON, TO ENTER INTO THE CDBG 1<sup>ST</sup> PUBLIC HEARING. MOTION CARRIED.**

Ms. Diane Lamoreaux reviewed information regarding the Community Development Block Grant Program and indicated that the Five County region participates in the Utah Small Cities Program. As cities reach a threshold population of 50,000, they are designated as entitlement programs and receive funding directly from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). St. George City is an entitlement community that receives direct funding from HUD. Monies are passed from the federal government to the state of Utah for administration and distribution. Funding in the amount of \$704,332 was available for allocation in the Five County Region in FY 2013. It is anticipated that approximately \$700,000 +/- will be available for allocation in FY 2014. However, things are very tentative in light of the government shutdown and impasse on the federal budget. In addition, a percentage will be taken for sequestration, and there could be other funding cuts applied through a Continuing Resolution (CR).

The range of eligible activities is broad and includes projects such as the construction of public works and facilities including water and sewer lines; fire stations; acquisition of real property; provision of public services such as food banks or homeless shelters; and housing projects. She shared some examples of successful projects completed in the Five County region including housing projects in Cedar City for elderly and handicapped individuals, procurement of the meals on wheels trucks for the Five County region, fire trucks, fire stations and ambulance garages, etc. A list of other eligible activities is identified in the CDBG Application Guide and is available on the DWS website for the State of Utah Housing and Community Development Division. The Five County Association of Governments has received funding in the past for planning and technical assistance; funding to establish and recapitalize the Revolving Loan Fund program, the first time home buyer program, construction of the Five County Association of Government office building in St. George, and procurement of the meals on wheels trucks. Proposed activities that may result in displacement of low-moderate income individuals are discouraged.

The Five County Regional Planning and Technical Assistance application has previously included the following elements: 1) Capitalize and administer the Revolving Loan Fund; 2) Provide planning assistance to LMI eligible communities; 3) Program delivery for housing programs; 4) Prepare and update the regional Consolidated Plan; and 5) Workforce and affordable housing planning assistance. AOG projects have historically been primarily of a "regional" nature.

Set-aside funding of \$90,000 for the regional program administration and economic development technical assistance grant for FY 2014 was approved for a one year period on August 14, 2013 by the Steering Committee, which serves as the Regional Review Committee (RRC), in conjunction with adoption of the Rating and Ranking criteria.

Comments were solicited for potential projects and/or suggestions from the audience or Steering Committee members for projects of regional significance and scope. Chairman Matson noted no comments and entertained a motion to close the public hearing.

**MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER CLARE RAMSAY, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DALE BRINKERHOFF, TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING. MOTION CARRIED.**

Board consensus was for staff to proceed with an application and scope of work including the same elements as previous applications.

V. **STATE AGENCY UPDATES**

A. **GOVERNOR'S OFFICE**

No representative was in attendance.

B. **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

Mr. Monte Aldredge reported that Rick Torgerson, the new Region Four Director, was unable to attend today's meeting because of other obligations. Carlos Baceras was recently appointed to serve as the Director of the Utah Department of Transportation, and the new Deputy Director is Shane Marshall. These individuals will guide the Department in efforts to follow UDOT's strategic direction or "Final Four." These strategic goals include: 1) preserve infrastructure; 2) optimize mobility; 3) reach zero fatalities; and 4) strengthen the economy. The main objective is to provide a safe and efficient transportation system.

UDOT has become very involved in promoting the Zero Fatalities Initiative that was introduced in 2000. There were approximately 286 fatalities in 2000 and that number has decreased to under 200 this year. The highest number of fatalities in one year's period of time was 373. There has also been a big emphasis throughout Region Four on safety with the installation of rumble strips, cable barriers, and new signs. Signs are placed to warn motorists when passing lanes are ending. Employees at UDOT take the Zero Fatalities program very seriously and personally. This is not just data collection, but something that has true meaning. The UDOT website provides a large amount of information about the hazards associated with those who text while driving. There are videos and other information available to help educate everyone and to spread the message.

A handout was provided outlining UDOT's emphasis areas as follows: **1) Integrated Transportation**-- Consideration of how to best meet the needs of cars, bikes, pedestrians, mass transit and freight; **2) Collaboration**-- Continue to partner with local and regional entities in creating transportation solutions; **3) Education**-- UDOT supports science, technology, engineering, math courses at Utah colleges and high schools; **4) Transparency**-- The Department will strive to be the most transparent department of transportation in the country; **5) Quality**-- Continue work to become a national leader in quality; and **6) Operational Excellence**-- Strive to set gold standard of government best practices and to optimize resources. These emphasis areas are directly related to UDOT's core values of innovation, public responsibility, dedication, passion, integrity, and fiscal responsibility.

Mr. Aldredge provided a handout outlining the UDOT traffic app that is available for public use. The app can be downloaded from the UDOT website as well. This provides access to road condition information and UDOT traffic cameras. He cautioned that users should look at the date and time stamp when utilizing traffic cameras to make sure that the information is current.

Board members questioned the purpose of installing cable barriers and their effectiveness. Mr. Aldredge indicated that the barriers are anchored into the ground

and have proven very successful in catching cars that may have otherwise crossed into other lanes of traffic. The barriers have been installed as a safety measure throughout the state. Commissioner Dale Brinkerhoff asked that an update be given regarding the South Cedar City Interchange. Mr. Aldredge indicated that the interchange is under design and construction is anticipated in 2014. Mayor Burgess, Cedar City, was very helpful in developing a funding strategy with other partners to acquire funding and address right-of-way issues that brought this interchange to a higher priority level. This helped to accelerate timing for this project. Ms. Carolyn White asked about the increased speed limits throughout the state and reasoning behind the change. Mr. Aldredge explained that highway speed limits are determined through the use of a speed study that determines the average speed of traffic. The study results indicated that increasing the speed limit to 80 miles per hour did not cause a significant increase in speeds above that limit and it did not increase fatal accidents.

Mayor Dutch Deutschlander requested Brian Head law enforcement (public safety) be allowed remote access to program the sign located in Parowan at the bottom of the canyon to reflect current conditions. For example, road conditions resulting from accidents, high winds, lift closures, etc. This would enable information to be relayed to people and eliminate their driving up the canyon when certain conditions would prevent them from access to the ski lifts. This would save a lot of grief for customers and business owners. Mr. Aldredge indicated that he would relay the message and determine if this would be a possibility.

**C. DEPARTMENT OF WORKFORCE SERVICES**

Mr. Stephen Lisonbee, DWS, indicated that he is working to fine tune information that will be presented to the Steering Committee. His goal is to provide a single page document that will include information for each county. At last month's meeting a question was asked in regard to the 22 new employees hired in Cedar City and whether funding was tied to the Affordable Care Act (ACA) or ongoing funding. He explained that DWS employs approximately 600-700 eligibility workers and generally about 15 new hires occur each month as a result of attrition. Cedar City benefitted from the need to hire additional workers who will also provide support for the ACA. The employment of these individuals is sustainable without the ACA because their focus is for ongoing case management activities in Utah. The Eligibility Services Division manages food stamps, Medicaid, child care, etc. DWS has started to receive applications for Obamacare and eligibility will begin January 1, 2014. The use of technology, specialization, and education of staff has allowed DWS to streamline their services to become much more efficient. The DWS workforce has decreased from approximately 800 to 400 workers over the course of the past several years. Even though the legislature has authorized 42 new hires, it is likely that the Department will not have to hire all of those additional workers. DWS has also implemented the largest software system in the state of Utah that will be able to sustain growth with decreased funding levels.

Mr. Lisonbee announced that this week is National Customer Service Week and several activities are underway at their employment centers. Board members are invited to visit any of the employment centers at any time. The Cedar City Employment Center staff had the opportunity to host Representative John

Westwood during a recent visit. Commissioner Dale Brinkerhoff stressed the importance of engaging with clients all of the time and not just during a special event weeks.

A handout provided outlines the four cornerstones of DWS as follows: 1) Operational Excellence; 2) Exceptional Customer Service; 3) Employee Success; and 4) Community Connection. Jon Pierpont, DWS Executive Director, indicates that "DWS will be the best-managed state agency in Utah." The second page of the handout contains an organizational chart for the Workforce Development Division Central and Southwest Counties. Managers have been hired for Iron & Beaver counties, Kane & Garfield counties and Washington County. Those individuals were introduced at last month's meeting in Beaver.

Programs offered by DWS focus on workforce development and making sure that employers have an adequate supply of trained workers to fill demands of job growth. The Department partners with Applied Technology Colleges and Universities to fill any training gaps that may exist. The BRIDGE program has been very popular and assistance has been provided to 39 employers throughout the region. There have been 177 jobs created as a result of this program with a total of \$643,500 in funds paid out. The program provides \$4,500 for each position for a one year period of time and is operated on a pay for performance basis. There are additional incentives provided to companies who hire Veterans or persons who are currently drawing unemployment benefits. A pilot program titled Work Success is offered in St. George. This engages the client as an unemployment insurance claim is filed. Clients participate in activities at the center over a two week period from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. to enable them to enter back into the workforce. This program has experienced an 80% success rate.

Mayor Dan McGuire asked about outreach to smaller rural communities. Mr. Lisonbee explained that the addition of managers in each of the regions is mainly to engage with communities. Staff is making a concerted effort to get back into rural areas and engage with all communities.

Commissioner Jim Matson asked about underemployment and the need for many individuals to work several part time jobs in order to provide for their families. Mr. Lisonbee agreed that there is a lot of underemployment, and this may be impacted directly by the Affordable Care Act. Larger employers are not as likely to change their behaviors, but small business are making very tough decisions that could impact underemployment. It was pointed out that the individual penalty for not having insurance is \$2,000 but employers that do not provide health care are to be fined \$100 per day or \$36,500 annually. Mr. Lisonbee indicated that he would not be able to answer this particular question. Speaker Lockhart indicated that she would provide contact information for Representative Jim Dunnigan who would be able to provide the answer.

## **VI. UNIVERSITIES**

### **A. SOUTHERN UTAH UNIVERSITY**

Mr. Wes Curtis asked to be excused from today's meeting.

**B. DIXIE STATE UNIVERSITY**

A representative was not in attendance.

**VII. CONGRESSIONAL STAFF UPDATES**

Congressional updates were provided at the beginning of the meeting.

**VIII. LOCAL AFFAIRS**

**A. CORRESPONDENCE**

Commissioner Clare Ramsay asked for Board consideration of a letter to Governor Herbert in support of southern Utah counties in their efforts to open the national parks.

**MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER CLARE RAMSAY, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MIKE DALTON, INSTRUCTING STAFF TO COMPOSE A LETTER TO GOVERNOR HERBERT, WITH A CARBON COPY TO CONGRESSIONAL REPRESENTATIVES, IN SUPPORT OF THE SOUTHERN UTAH COUNTIES EFFORT IN DECLARING A STATE OF EMERGENCY RELATING TO THE ECONOMIC IMPACTS OCCURRING AS A RESULT OF THE NATIONAL PARK CLOSURES. MOTION CARRIED.**

Mr. Bryan Thiriot provided a handout that outlines current and potential impacts of the federal government shut down on programs administered at the Association of Governments. The Area Agency on Aging has funding available for distribution to counties in the short term. However, the longer the shut down continues, the more likely it is that cuts will have to be made. The Care About Child Care program will be facing furloughs at the end of this month. It is uncertain what the impacts will be in terms of funding received from the Economic Development Administration. A copy of the memo has been circulated for informational purposes. Mr. Scott Leavitt explained that most sub-grantees have already allocated funds and contracts coming into the AOG will carry forward with no impacts because of the funding cycles involved. Long term impacts will have to be addressed as appropriate moving forward.

**MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER DALE BRINKERHOFF, SECONDED BY MAYOR DUTCH DEUTSCHLANDER, AUTHORIZING STAFF TO DRAFT A RESOLUTION, TO BE SENT TO THE CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION AND GOVERNOR HERBERT, OUTLINING THE IMPACTS OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT SHUT DOWN ON THE ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS. MOTION CARRIED.**

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

One out-of-state travel is included for Board consideration. Even though the cost is being picked up by another agency, Five County AOG policies require approval

for staff out-of-state travel. Youth Service America is covering the cost for Kristen Clark to attend the Youth Services Institute in Baltimore, MD, November 11-13, 2013.

**MOTION WAS MADE BY MS. CAROLYN WHITE, SECONDED BY MR. SHANE ADAMS, AUTHORIZING OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL FOR KRISTEN CLARK AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED.**

**C. PERMANENT COMMUNITY IMPACT FUND BOARD (PCIFB) APPLICATIONS**

Mr. Gary Zabriskie, Five County AOG, provided a brief summary of CIB 101 Training that is provided to jurisdictions and the current interest rate of 1.5% for loans from CIB. Jurisdictions in the Five County region submitted 11 applications to CIB during the last trimester, of which nine were funded, including the park at Brian Head that is currently under construction. Two applications were submitted for consideration as follows: **1) Big Water**-- The town is requesting funding for a road rehabilitation and drainage project as a grant/loan combination; and **2) Ivins City**-- The city is requesting a grant for \$132,000 to purchase a new fire truck. This is a result of Gold Cross Ambulance moving into the area and the increased service area that Ivins now covers. The city currently has three ambulances, but one has excess mileage and needs to be replaced.

In addition, Mr. Zabriskie explained that Escalante City will be submitting an emergency application to CIB for consideration. The application request will be for approximately \$250,000 to address a water line that was damaged during recent flood events. This will be considered as an emergency application and will likely be presented during the November CIB meeting. This impacts one of the city's water sources and repairs need to be completed prior to inclement weather.

**MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER CLARE RAMSAY, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DALE BRINKERHOFF, TO SUPPORT THE THREE APPLICATIONS TO CIB, INCLUDING THE EMERGENCY APPLICATION FOR ESCALANTE CITY. MOTION CARRIED.**

**D. PLANNING ASSISTANCE**

None.

**E. OTHER BUSINESS**

Mr. Bryan Thiriot introduced a topic that was discussed by director's of the Associations' of Government at a recent meeting regarding a gas tax local option that will be coming out of the next legislative session. Mr. Curt Hutchings explained that adequate funding directed toward transportation needs is a significant issue for Utah cities and towns. Projections indicate that the population in Utah will double within the next ten years. This legislation would provide opportunity for policy makers to take a balanced and multi-modal approach to transportation in Utah. The state of Utah Long Range Transportation has received national acclaim. The Dixie Metropolitan Planning Organization (DMPO) has been a partner in the process of

this plan development. The plan identifies capacity and transit projects that could be completed over the next 30 years. It is important to have a functional transportation system, but funding from the gas tax has not been tied to inflation and funding for transportation is losing ground in its buying capacity. Communities and counties throughout the state have had to take on a large share of the funding for transportation projects and this is not sustainable. He explained the proposal and option for counties to adopt the 3% user tax. This is closely related to the vehicle registration fee that has been adopted by various counties throughout the state. These are revenues that could be realized, provided that counties chose to take this approach to funding transportation. Funding under this proposal would go to the state of Utah with ½ of the allocation going back to counties and the other ½ allocated through the B & C road funding process. This proposal is coming out of the Joint Policy Advisory Committee (JPAC). A handout was provided outlining the local option fuel user fee distribution for each of the counties in the Five County region. This item is provided for informational purposes.

Commissioner Dale Brinkerhoff commented that the state legislature needs to consider equalizing the gas tax on all types of fuel. For example, natural gas for vehicles is not taxed at the same rate as gasoline, but those vehicles have the same impact on roads. This is a disservice to the motoring public as a whole.

Mr. Zachry Bolick, National Parks Conservation Association, introduced himself and explained their organization's status. He announced the Utah Gateways Community Forum scheduled for Thursday, November 7, 2013 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Sundance Resort, Sundance, Utah. The forum will be for public lands managers, business owners, public land partners, elected officials and tourism and economic development experts. Topics will include: enhancing visitor experience, nurturing local economies, facilitating community involvement, addressing seasonal challenges, encouraging public private partnerships, protecting natural and recreational park resources, etc. Flyers are available for those interested in attending this event.

## **IX. AREAWIDE CLEARINGHOUSE REVIEWS**

Mr. Gary Zabriskie reviewed three A-95 late arrival reviews as follows: **1) Utah State Trust Lands Administration, Range Improvement Project # 538--** SITLA plans to cooperate with the Utah Watershed Restoration Initiative to seed and rehabilitate the 2013 Black Mountain/Rush Lake fires on trust lands in Iron and Beaver counties; and **2) Utah State Trust Lands Administration, Range Improvement Project # 539--** The Division of Wildlife Resources is proposing to install a wildlife guzzler on trust lands in Beaver County west of Cove Fort; and **3) Utah State Trust Lands Administration, Minerals Permit No. 539--** SITLA has received an application from Washington City for a materials permit for sand and gravel extraction on a section of trust lands for repair of a trail that was impacted during recent flood events. Staff has consulted with each county as applicable in determining supportive recommendations for these actions.

**MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER DALE BRINKERHOFF, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CLARE RAMSAY, TO APPROVE TWO AREAWIDE CLEARINGHOUSE ACTIONS AS PER STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS. MOTION CARRIED.**

### **III. REBECCA LOCKHART, SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE**

Mr. Bryan Thiriot introduced and welcomed Speaker Rebecca Lockhart and her staff. He also recognized Representative John Westwood, Representative Jon Stanard, and Representative Brad Last who were in attendance.

Speaker Lockhart announced that she will be conducting a town hall meeting in Cedar City today and another in St. George tomorrow. She provided some background information about herself, and noted that it is interesting to learn of the many challenges for the area as a result of the federal government failure. Closure of the national parks has had a very dramatic impact on communities, tourists, and the state of Utah in general. The state of Utah may be confronted with providing funds to maintain services such as operation of food pantries, meals on wheels, and other programs that are so vital to low income and elderly individuals. Information provided regarding impacts of the shut down will be very helpful in this evaluation.

Ms. Lockhart indicated that this is the first time learning of the gas tax proposal that is circulating. However, there is also another proposal that could switch out funding received by the B & C road fund and with a sales tax as opposed to the gas tax. The legislature recognizes the importance of providing adequate funding to address transportation needs. She explained that it is a struggle to address the gas disparity. A portion of the legislative intent was to encourage natural gas and electric transportation modes because of environmental concerns. This created the disparity which does not make sense in terms of impact to our highways. The legislature also recognizes that the gas tax is a dying revenue stream, and that another funding source will be needed in the future to address roads. It is a delicate balance to encourage the use of alternative fuels but to also address the parity in the tax.

Ms. Lockhart addressed urbanized and smaller non-urbanized areas in terms of establishing districts throughout the state. Representatives endeavor to use a holistic view of the entire state of Utah to make decisions that are good for everyone and not just their particular district. Governor Herbert recently named Spencer Cox, who has a rural background, as the new Lieutenant Governor. Representatives from the rural portions of the state have established a rural caucus that meets every Friday to discuss issues of concern. A number of districts throughout the state have agriculture and water issues in common. Representative Jon Stanard explained that he views his district in Washington County as rural taking into account all of Washington County. He reported that rural legislators work well together to focus on all issues.

Commissioner Jim Matson mentioned HB 164, the amount of utility in dealing with the federal government, and indemnification issues that also come into play. The original bill had this content, but it was struck from the bill. This is a huge deal for counties, and the Utah Association of Counties (UAC) will be working to push this discussion during the upcoming legislative session. He noted that Governor Herbert has also been asked to get involved in this issue. Ms. Lockhart indicated that the influence of counties on the Governor will be very helpful. The legislature would like to help in doing the right thing, but the Executive Branch will need to be behind any legislation. It was mentioned that effects of the Affordable Care Act will come back on counties in terms of substance and mental health issues and those on Medicaid that are in poverty. Some individuals will not be eligible for

a government subsidy because they are above the poverty level. These are issues that the state will need to address in the future.

Ms. Carolyn White, Beaver County School District Representative, expressed the School District's displeasure with the legislative action to grade schools. This is very political and does not help the child at all in terms of what is happening in the classroom. It is demeaning to teachers and the school boards because it does not really tell the story of what is happening in the schools. Federal and state requirements take away so much time that could be spent in the classroom to better focus on the students. Ms. Lockhart expressed her appreciation for input in this regard and indicated that the Legislature will be working during the next session to address some of these issues. The 90% grading and curve issues will be readdressed. The main purpose of the grading is to determine where attention needs to be focused and what can be learned from schools that are doing a good job. Ms. White mentioned that the UCAT system will be coming out in the near future as well, and it is difficult to understand the need for additional grading of schools. All of the government regulations, as well as directives received through the State Office of Education, are resulting in the loss of focus on the classroom. There is a need to clarify the role of the legislature, State Office of Education, State School Board and local School Boards.

Ms. Lockhart thanked Mayor Deutschlander for hosting the luncheon and meeting at the new public safety facility. She also thanked the Steering Committee for allowing her to observe and provide comments.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 13, 2013 in St. George at the Five County Association of Governments office at 10:00 a.m.

**MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER MIKE DALTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DALE BRINKERHOFF, TO ADJOURN.**

The meeting adjourned at 2:55 p.m.

## **AGENDA ITEM # IV.**

### **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT - POLICY COMMITTEE**

The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Policy Committee provides policy guidance for the CDBG program. The committee is made up of elected officials selected by the Governor from the regional review commissions and formally established by a Governor's Executive Order dated November 1, 1986.

The CDBG Policy Committee is composed of seven (7) members from each of the seven regional districts of the state. Members of this committee are as follows:

**M. Lynn Lemon**, County Executive, Cache Co. - Bear River Association of Governments  
**Darlene Burns**, Commissioner, Uintah County - Uintah Basin Association of Governments  
**Rick Blackwell**, Commissioner, Piute County - Six County Association of Governments  
**Hilary Gordon**, Mayor, Huntington City - Southeastern Association of Local Governments  
**Jerry Taylor**, Mayor, Escalante City - Five County Association of Governments  
**Jan Zogmaister**, Commissioner, Weber County - Wasatch Front Regional Council  
**Kendall Chrittenden**, Councilman, Wasatch Co. - Mountainland Association of Govts.

Members serve two year terms and are designated by the local Regional Review Committee (RRC), Steering Committee, of the Five County Association of Governments. The term of Mayor Jerry Taylor will expire in January, 2014. Mayor Taylor currently serves as chair for this committee. The Utah Division of Housing and Community Development, CDBG staff, is asking that names be provided for submission to the Governor prior to the term expiration.

Staff is recommending the reappointment of Mayor Jerry Taylor to serve an additional two year term on this committee. In addition, state CDBG staff is recommending that an alternate member be selected to serve in the absence of Mayor Taylor.

## **AGENDA ITEM # V.**

### **Five County Association of Governments**

#### **Title IV Plan for Federal Transit Programs**

Title VI was enacted as part of the landmark Civil Rights Act of 1964. It prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, and national origin in programs and activities receiving federal financial assistance. All recipients and sub-recipients of Federal Transit Administration (FTA) funds must ensure that programs, policies and activities comply with FTA Title VI regulations. The most recent transportation legislation requires all sub-recipients of FTA funds to adopt a Title VI plan that exhibits policy adoption, public outreach and involvement procedures and complaint procedures. The Five County AOG Staff, in cooperation with UDOT, has developed a Title VI plan for FTA programs administered by FCAOG, including coordinated human service-public transportation planning and mobility management and recommends adoption of this plan by the Five County Association of Governments Steering Committee. A copy of the plan can be found at <http://fcaogtpo.files.wordpress.com/2013/10/five-county-aog-title-vi-plan-fy2014.pdf> .

<http://fcaogtpo.files.wordpress.com/2013/11/five-county-aog-title-vi-plan-fy2014.pdf>

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

### Five County Association of Governments Title VI Subrecipient Plan

## **2. Policy on Title VI**

### **Five County Association of Governments**

#### **The Agency affirms:**

1. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 prohibits discrimination in federally assisted programs. Title VI was amended by the Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987 (P.L. 100-259), effective March 22, 1988, which added Section 606, expanding the definition of the terms "programs or activities" to include all of the operations of an educational institution, governmental entity, or private employer that receives federal funds if any one operation receives federal funds.
2. Five County Association of Governments is an association of local governments. It is the policy of Five County Association of Governments to ensure compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and all related statutes or regulations in all programs and activities so administered.
3. The Five County Association of Governments Title VI Coordinator is granted the authority to administer and monitor the Title VI Plan as promulgated under Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and any subsequent legislation. The Title VI Coordinator will provide assistance as needed.
4. The Five County Association of Governments will take all steps to ensure that no person shall, on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, or be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity of the Agency.
5. The Agency recognizes the need for annual Title VI training for Agency personnel.

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Commissioner James Matson, Chair  
Five County Association of Governments  
Steering Committee

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Date

## **AGENDA ITEM # VI.**

### FIVE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

#### BYLAWS

These Bylaws are established to define the functions, duties and responsibilities of the various branches, officers, offices and organizations within the Five County Association of Governments.

#### ARTICLE I

##### STEERING COMMITTEE

###### Section 1 - Name

There shall be established a permanent committee within the Five County Association of Governments to be known as the Steering Committee.

###### Section 2 - Origin

This committee is provided for in the Articles of Association of the Five County Association of Governments.

###### Section 3 - Purpose

The Steering Committee shall act as both the executive and legislative branch of the Association.

###### Section 4 - Responsibilities

The responsibilities of the Steering Committee is established in the Articles of Association of the Five County Association of Governments.

###### Section 5 - Membership

The Mayor or Town President representing each county shall be chosen in the following manner. During the Association of Governments' first year of operation, the respective county commissions shall determine who the representative from their towns and cities shall be. In the following years the cities and towns in each county shall determine who their representative shall be. Should the cities and towns within a particular county fail to choose a representative, the county commission shall choose the city and town representative.

###### Section 6 - Organization

The procedure for electing the officers of the Steering Committee is established in the Articles of Association of the Five County Association of Governments.

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### Section 7 - Duties of Officers

The Chairman of the Steering Committee shall be the principal executive officer of the Association. He shall preside at all meetings of the Steering Committee and at all general meetings of the Association. He shall have general supervision of the affairs of the Association at the discretion of the Steering Committee and shall perform other duties as may be assigned to him by the Steering Committee.

The Vice-Chairman shall have all the powers and perform all the duties of the Chairman when serving in his absence. The Vice-Chairman shall have such other duties as may be assigned to him either by the Chairman or the Steering Committee.

The Executive Director shall supervise the financial affairs of the Association under the direction of the Steering Committee. He shall present a financial statement of receipts and expenditures on a quarterly basis or at the request of the Chairman. He shall receive and receipt all monies due or payable to the Association and shall deposit all such monies in such depositories as shall be selected by the Steering Committee. He shall be responsible for distributing all monies payable and shall co-sign such payments, together with such other officers of the Association as may be designated by the Steering Committee to that purpose. He shall perform such other duties as may be assigned to him by the Steering Committee and shall submit financial accounts for an annual audit upon the change of Executive Director.

### Section 8 - Meetings

The first Friday of each month is designated as the regular meeting date of the Steering Committee unless otherwise designated by the Steering Committee. The meeting location shall be designated by the Steering Committee. An agenda shall be mailed out prior to each meeting. A special meeting may be called by the Chairman or at the request of at least eight (8) members of the Steering Committee.

An agenda shall be prepared by the Executive Director for each meeting of the Steering Committee. Items to be included in each agenda shall first be cleared by the Chairman or through the Steering Committee.

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ARTICLE II

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Section 1 - Name

There shall be established an officer within the Five County Association of Governments to be known as the Executive Director.

Section 2 - Origin

This officer is provided for in the Articles of Association of the Five County Association of Governments.

Section 3 - Purpose

The Executive Director shall act as the principal administrative officer of the Association under the direction of the Steering Committee.

Section 4 - Responsibilities

The responsibilities of the Executive Director are established in the Articles of Association of the Five County Association of Governments.

Section 5 - Appointment and Removal

The Executive Director shall be appointed and removed by the Steering Committee. Any compensation to the Executive Director shall be determined by the Steering Committee.

ARTICLE III

STANDING COMMITTEES

Section 1 - Name

There shall be established eight (8) permanent committees within the Five County Association of Governments to be known as Standing Committees on Development Services, Education, Natural Resources, Transportation, Law Enforcement Planning, Manpower Planning, Health and Social Services, and Local Affairs.

Section 2 - Origin

These committees are provided for in the Articles of Association of the Five County Association of Governments.

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### Section 3 - Purpose

These committees shall serve as specialized planning, reviewing, advisory, and policy bodies for the Steering Committee of the Five County Association of Governments.

### Section 4 - Responsibilities

The Standing Committees shall perform those responsibilities as prescribed by the Steering Committee.

### Section 5 - Membership

The membership of the Standing Committees is established in the Articles of Association of the Five County Association of Governments.

### Section 6 - Officers

There shall be a Chairman and Vice-Chairman of each Standing Committee. The method of selection is established in the Articles of Association of the Five County Association of Governments.

### Section 7 - Duties of Officers

The Chairman of each Standing Committee shall preside at all meetings of the Standing Committee. The Vice-Chairman shall preside in the Chairman's absence.

### Section 8 - Meetings

Each Standing Committee shall determine where and when its meetings shall be held, with the exception that when called by the Steering Committee, the Steering Committee shall determine where and when the meeting shall be. A quorum at all Standing Committee meetings shall consist of a majority of the total committee members. A majority vote of the total Standing Committee membership is necessary to carry any question.

## ARTICLE IV

### CENTRAL STAFF

#### Section 1 - Name

There may be established an administrative, research, and planning staff within the Five County Association of Governments to be known as the Central Staff.

#### Section 2 - Origin

This organization is provided for in the Articles of Association of the Five County Association of Governments.

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### Section 3 - Purpose

The Central Staff shall act as the administrative, research and planning staff for all branches, committees, and subcommittees of the Association.

### Section 4 - Responsibilities

The Central Staff shall perform under the coordination and direction of the Executive Director all such duties and responsibilities as may be assigned by the Steering Committee. The Central Staff shall perform its activities for and be directly responsible to the Executive Director of the Association.

### Section 5 - Organization

The Executive Director shall act as the principal administrative officer of the Central Staff. From time to time the Steering Committee may authorize the Executive Director to hire such additional staff, subject to approval, as the Committee shall deem necessary to carry on the activities of the Association. The Executive Director may organize the Central Staff into such departments or groupings as he may consider necessary to efficiently perform the activities of the Association.

## ARTICLE V

## FINANCES

### Section 1 - Annual Budget

The Executive Director of the Association of Governments shall prepare a proposed annual budget for the consideration of the Steering Committee in their August meeting. After analyzing the proposed budget and making any corrections or revisions that it may find necessary, the Steering Committee shall adopt a final annual budget on or before its October meeting.

The annual budget shall include an itemized listing of all projects, programs, research studies, and activities together with a list of all sources of funding and an assessment schedule.

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### Section 2 - Assessments

After adoption of the annual budget, the Steering Committee shall recommend to each county within the Association the amount of the budget that constitutes their assessment for the year. Assessments shall be levied on member counties on the basis of population as determined by the most recent census, assessed valuation, and retail sales, and shall be for funding projects, programs, research studies, and activities involving more than one local unit of government. Special assessments shall be levied on a member local unit of government in the event that it wishes to contract with the Association to provide a special service to that unit of government alone.

### Section 3 - Annual Audit

If an Association annual budget is funded, the Steering Committee shall cause an annual audit of the financial affairs of the Association to be made by a certified public accountant at the end of each fiscal year. The Steering Committee shall direct the Executive Director to employ a certified public accountant that shall have been approved by the Committee for such audit. The audit report shall be made available to each of the member local units of government and to the general public.

### Section 4 - Fiscal Year

The fiscal year of the Association shall commence on January 1, and shall end on December 31.

## ARTICLE VI

### ADOPTION AND AMENDMENTS OF THESE BYLAWS

#### Section 1 - Majority Vote for Adoption

These Bylaws may be adopted by a majority vote of the Steering Committee.

#### Section 2 - Majority Vote for Amendment

These Bylaws may be amended by a majority vote of the Steering Committee.

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ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION FOR  
FIVE COUNTY  
ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS  
(REGION V)

PREAMBLE

We, the representatives of local governments in the respective counties of Beaver, Garfield, Iron, Kane and Washington, conclude: that problems of growth and development often transcend the boundary lines of existing local governmental units; that intergovernmental cooperation on a regional basis is an effective means of pooling the resources of local government to approach such problems; and that multi-county planning activities available under various laws of the United States should be conducted and administered in a coordinated manner.

Therefore, we the representatives of local government of Beaver, Garfield, Iron, Kane, and Washington counties in the State of Utah, hereby join together in a voluntary organization to be known as the Five County Association of Governments (Region V), for the purpose of meeting at regular intervals to discuss and study areawide problems of common interest and concern, and to develop policy and action recommendations for ratification and implementation by member governments in the area served by the region.

The voluntary inter-county association which is hereby formed is a vehicle for closer cooperation and is not a new layer of government nor is it a supergovernment. As a voluntary organization of local governments, the members seek to establish a framework for effective execution and coordination of programs to meet the common needs of the citizens of the region.

Our goal is to serve as a multi-purpose organization utilizing our combined total resources, to provide a more effective means for planning and development of the physical, economic, and human resources of the region.

**I. PURPOSE**

The Five County Association of Governments (Region V) hereinafter referred to as "The Association," shall be a voluntary organization of Governments to facilitate intergovernmental cooperation and to ensure the orderly and harmonious coordination of federal, state, and local programs for the solution of mutual problems of the region. The purposes of this organization are:

- A. To provide a common forum to identify, discuss, study, and resolve areawide problems.
- B. To achieve advantages of cooperative action which cannot be achieved individually and to make the most effective use of local leadership and staff resources.
- C. To provide local input into state programs which are undergoing increasing decentralization on a regional basis.

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- D. To serve as a multi-purpose "umbrella-type" organization to engage and carry out planning and development programs with respect to existing and emerging problems of industry, commerce, transportation, population, housing, agriculture, public services, local governments and any other matters which are relevant to the Association's purposes.
- E. To maintain liaison with members, governmental units and groups or organizations, and to serve as regional spokesman for local governments.
- F. To perform such other functions as may be deemed appropriate.
- G. **Power to Contract.** The Association shall have authority to act in its own name, to sue and where appropriate under Utah Code Annotated 1953, Repl. Vol. 7A, 63-30-1 et seq., to be sued, to make and enter into and enforce by court action all manner and kinds of contracts, agreements, and obligations by or with any person or persons, corporation or corporations, or any government or government agency not inconsistent with law for the purposes stated in these Articles including coordinating, administering and operating programs.

### II. FUNCTIONS

The functions of the Association shall include:

#### A. Administration and Coordination of Programs

The Association is authorized to act as the parent organizational unit for the coordination, administration or operation of common programs of mutual interest and development programs which may have multi-county or regional level designation. The Association is the authorized agency to receive federal grants for all planning and development programs which may have multi-county or regional level designation. In regard to these functions, the Association may establish boards, committees, commissions, councils, or similar sub-unit governing bodies as may be required to meet organizational and procedural requirements of various federal programs or programs of its own creation. The composition of any of these sub-units of the Association shall be determined by the Steering Committee of this Association. Such bodies when appointed or otherwise selected, shall, as far as practical, serve as advisory groups to the Association.

#### B. Planning

The Association shall prepare and amend areawide plans for the physical, economic, and social resources of the region, and conduct studies and research on matters of regional concern. Such plans shall serve to foster the development and review of policies and priorities for regional growth and for coordinating intergovernmental affairs within the region.

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### C. Review of Federal and State Aid Programs.

The Association shall be eligible to serve as the official clearinghouse agency for the purpose of Section 204 of the Demonstration Cities and Metropolitan Development Act of 1966 and Title IV of the Intergovernmental Cooperation Act of 1968, acting on behalf of, and under the recommendations of the members of the Association. The Association shall review and coordinate federal, state and local applications to the United States of America for loans and grants from all units of government operating within the region. Review procedures shall be developed in accordance with Bureau of the Budget Circular A-95, "Evaluation, Review, and Coordination of Federal Assistance Programs and Projects".

### D. Services to Local Governments

The Association may furnish general and technical aid to local units of government within the region, to provide them with services and technical assistance in the conduct of planning and development activities.

### E. Joint-Powers Authorization

The Association may, by appropriate action of the member government, exercise such other powers as are exercised or capable of exercise by the member governments and necessary or desirable for dealing with problems of mutual concern. Authorization may include joint financing, scheduling, and development of public facility projects with interjurisdictional significance or involve direct public services functions.

### F. Assessments

The Steering Committee shall have the authority to levy assessments on member counties for funds to operate the Association. The participating units of government within each county shall determine their proportionate share of the assessment.

## III. DEFINITIONS

### A. "Association"

The Association as used in these Articles means the Inter-County Association of Governments or Cooperative body of city, county, and school district governments as established by these Articles.

### B. Regional Problem

A regional problem is one that meets the following criteria:

1. That problem which is common to two or more counties, the solution of which cannot be achieved by governmental agencies acting independently of each other, or which cannot be achieved separately as economically as when acting cooperatively.
2. A solution is required by consideration of public health, safety, or welfare.

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### C. Official Representative

Official representative as used in these Articles means the mayor, town president, or members of the governing body of member cities and towns from each county; the chairman or members of the Board of County Commissioners of each county; and the President or members of the Board of Education of every county in the region.

### D. Region

Region means a geographic area composed of groupings of counties designated and established for carrying out the purposes of these Articles.

### E. Ex Officio Members

Ex officio members of the Steering Committee of the Association as used in these Articles means those members who have a voice in regards to the functions of the Committee, but no vote.

## IV. MEMBERSHIP AND REPRESENTATION

### A. Steering Committee

The policy body for the Five County Association of Governments shall be known as the Steering Committee. The membership of the Steering Committee shall consist of:

1. The Chairman of each County Commission.
2. A Mayor or Town President from each County.
3. The Chairman of each County School Board.
4. A Representative from Southern Utah State College, a Representative from Dixie College, and all State Senators and State Representatives whose districts extend into the Five County area shall serve on the Steering Committee as ex officio members. Any member of the Steering Committee may select an alternate.

### B. Terms of Office

Steering Committee members shall serve for terms of one (1) year or until their successors have been duly elected.

### C. Officers

There shall be a Chairman and a Vice-Chairman who shall serve as Chairman in the former's absence. The position of Chairman shall rotate on an annual basis in the following manner: Iron County, Beaver County, Garfield County, Kane County, Washington County. Each county delegation shall determine who their Chairman shall be. If the county responsible to provide the Chairmanship of the Association for any specific year is unable to carry out the responsibility, the Chairmanship may be passed to the next county in sequence if approved by a majority vote of the total membership of the Steering Committee. In the event that the Chairman is unable to serve a full term in office, his county delegation shall choose a new Chairman to fill the unexpired term. Terms of office shall begin as of the first Association meeting in February of each year.

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### V. DUTIES OF THE STEERING COMMITTEE

#### A. Voting

Each member of the Steering Committee shall have one (1) vote. A majority vote of the total committee membership is necessary to carry any question.

#### B. Quorum

A quorum of the Steering Committee shall consist of a majority of the total voting members.

#### C. Meetings

The Steering Committee shall be required to meet monthly or upon the call of its Chairman. The Steering Committee shall convene in a general meeting to be attended by all constituent elective officials from every county which is a member of the Five County Association of Governments (Region V) at least once every quarter. The purposes of the general meetings shall be to:

1. Submit a full report on current activities of the Association.
2. Report on budget and financial transactions since the previous general meeting.

#### D. Responsibilities

The responsibilities of the Steering Committee are:

1. To adopt and amend these Articles of Association.
2. To propose, initiate, approve, or carry out any studies, policies or other Association matters.
3. To prepare and evaluate policies, plans, and programs, and adopt a consistent set for consideration by all public and private agencies within the region responsible for implementing programs.
4. To serve in a review capacity to assure that all federal, state and local development projects are consistent with adopted areawide plans and programs.
5. To apply and receive state and federal grants for regional purposes.
6. To allocate components of the Regional Work Program among the Association's staff, staffs of other public agencies, and private consultants.
7. To establish representative technical advisory committees as needed to assist in the preparation of plans, programs, and project reviews.
8. Initiate, advise, and aid in the establishment of cooperative arrangements, including interlocal agreements, among local governments in the region.
9. To render advice and technical assistance on request of member governments in regard to local government problems having regional impact.

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10. To appoint, fix salary of, and remove the Executive Director.
11. To review actions of the Executive Director and the Staff.
12. To perform other activities as the Steering Committee may decide.

### VI. STANDING COMMITTEES

#### A. Functional Areas

There shall be eight (8) Standing Committees representing the functional areas of Development Services, Education, Natural Resources, Transportation, Manpower Planning, Law Enforcement Planning, Health & Social Services, and Local Affairs. Additional Standing Committees and Subcommittees to the Standing Committees may be created by a majority vote of the total vote of the Steering Committee.

#### B. Membership

The Steering Committee shall choose the membership of each Standing Committee subject to the following limitations:

1. Each Standing Committee shall be composed of elective officials, professionals in the field and from related government agencies, and clientele of the related government agencies.
2. There need not be equal county representation on each Standing Committee, however, no county shall have more than three (3) representatives on each Committee.

#### C. Officers

Each Standing Committee shall designate a Chairman and Vice-Chairman subject to the approval of the Steering Committee.

#### D. Meetings

The Standing Committees shall meet as often as the respective members consider it necessary, or, upon call of the Steering Committee. When necessary, the Standing Committees may coordinate their meeting time and location with that of the Steering Committee.

#### E. Duties

The Standing Committees shall perform those duties as prescribed by the Steering Committee.

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### VII. STAFF AND STAFF SERVICES

#### A. Central Staff

The Association may provide basic administrative, research, and planning services for all regional planning services for all regional planning activities hereafter undertaken. The Association may contract to obtain or perform services with state agencies, non-profit regional groups, councils of government, general units of local government and sub-district organizations as the result of federal programs. The staff shall perform its activities for and be directly responsible to the Steering Committee of the Association.

#### B. Executive Director

1. The Executive Director shall be appointed and removed by the Steering Committee.
2. Responsibilities of the Executive Director shall include:
  - a. Coordinating and directing all staff and consultant services as may be provided through the Association.
  - b. Recommending to the Steering Committee all staff appointments, advancements, and other employment policies.
  - c. Preparing and administering an annual approved work program and budget, and supervising the financial affairs of the Association under the direction of the Steering Committee.
  - d. In addition to the above designated duties, the Executive Director shall perform all other duties delegated to him by the Steering Committee.

#### C. Other Staff

The Staff of the Association shall be appointed and removed by the Steering Committee - taking into consideration the recommendations of the Executive Director.

### VIII. STATUTORY AUTHORITY

The Five County Association of Governments (Region V) shall be an agency established by the joint powers agreement among the members, pursuant to Title II, Chapter 13, Utah Code Annotated 1953, as amended.

### IX. DURATION, WITHDRAWAL

#### A. Duration

The duration of the Five County Association of Governments (Region V) shall be perpetual.

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**B. Withdrawal**

Any county, municipality, or school board which is a member of the Association may withdraw from membership upon thirty (30) days written notice to the Steering Committee, prior to the effective date of withdrawal. Any assessment monies paid by the withdrawing member shall be retained by the Association.

**C. Dissolution of Funds and Properties**

Upon dissolution of the Association the properties and funds of the Association shall be divided among the participating governmental units, on the basis on which they contributed during the last year.

**X. AMENDMENTS**

These Articles may be amended, repealed, or added to at regular or special meetings of the Steering Committee, provided that written notice shall state the amendments and changes which are proposed to be made. Proposed amendments shall be considered to have passed if two-thirds of the total members' vote is affirmative.

**XI. EFFECTIVE DATE**

These Articles of Association shall go into effect immediately upon the effective date of the agreement.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we attach our signatures on this 3rd day  
of August, 1973.

<u>Fred Harris</u> FRED HARRIS, Beaver County Commission	<u>Aug. 3 1973</u> Date
<u>Elmer Paice</u> ELMER PAICE, Mayor of Beaver	_____ Date
<u>Karl Truman</u> KARL TRUMAN, Beaver County School Board	_____ Date
<u>James F. Yardley</u> JAMES F. YARDLEY, Garfield County Commission	<u>8/3/73</u> Date
<u>Kay Heywood</u> KAY HEYWOOD, Mayor, Panguitch	<u>Aug. 3, 1973</u> Date
<u>Ivan Willis</u> IVAN WILLIS, Garfield County School Board	<u>10-5-73</u> Date
<u>Keith Smith</u> KEITH SMITH, Iron County Commission	<u>Aug 3 1973</u> Date
<u>Loren Whetten</u> LOREN WHETTEN, Mayor, Cedar City	<u>aug 3, 1973</u> Date
<u>Ken Knight</u> KEN KNIGHT, Iron County School Board	<u>3 Aug 73</u> Date
<u>Merrill R. Macdonald</u> MERRILL R. MacDONALD, Kane County Commission	<u>8/3/73</u> Date
<u>Dee Porter</u> DEE PORTER, Town President, Glendale	<u>Aug 3 73</u> Date
<u>Jack H. Maxwell</u> JACK H. MAXWELL, Kane County School Board	<u>Aug 3/73</u> Date
<u>Merrill R. Macdonald</u> TRUMAN BOWLER, Washington County Commission	<u>Aug 3/73</u> Date
<u>Marion H. Bowler</u> MARION BOWLER, Mayor, St. George	_____ Date
<u>Grant Clove</u> GRANT CLOVE, Washington County School Board	<u>Aug 3, 1973</u> Date

APPROVED AS TO FORM  
VERNO L. ROMNEY  
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By \_\_\_\_\_

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**October 10, 2013**

**The Honorable Gary Herbert  
Governor of Utah  
350 State Capitol Building, Suite 200  
Salt Lake City, UT, 84114**

**Dear Governor Herbert:**

**The Five County Association of Governments, comprised of Beaver, Garfield, Kane, Washington and Iron counties of southern Utah fully support the declared proclamations in these counties concerning the “state of a local emergency” in the Five County area affected by the federal government shutdown; and subsequent closing of Zion National Park, Bryce Canyon National Park, Cedar Breaks National Monument, and the Glen Canyon National Recreation Area, and all other federal parks administered by the Department of the Interior in Utah.**

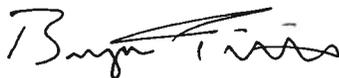
**We request your immediate leadership, and ask you to do everything within your power to negotiate an agreement with the Depart of Interior to open the National Parks in Utah.**

**Local business, county and state revenues are directly impacted by the closure. Moreover – international, national, and local visitors are negatively impacted with the closure.**

**In the interim, please know that the organization of Five County will do everything within our power to assist you in seeking a resolution to this matter. Should you require a letter of support to the Utah Congressional Delegation, we would be happy to provide another voice of southern Utah for you as you advocate for your constituents of Utah.**

**We look forward to an immediate and favorable outcome to this catastrophic economic crisis in the Five County area, and southern Utah. Thank you for your dedication and all you do for the people of Utah, and we look forward to your response.**

**Respectfully,**

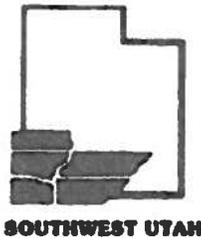


**Bryan Thiriot  
Executive Director**

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### **A RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE FIVE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS OUTLINING THE IMPACTS OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT SHUTDOWN**

**Resolution 2013-02**

**WHEREAS** the five counties of Beaver, Garfield, Iron, Kane and Washington encompass over 11 million acres of land in southwestern Utah and the Five County Association of Governments serves those five counties as well as the 37 incorporated cities and towns located within those counties; and

**WHEREAS** the Vision of the Five County Association of Governments is to facilitate the development and delivery of programs assigned by local officials to assure southwestern Utah remains a premier region in which to live, work and recreate; and

**WHEREAS** the Mission of the Association is to plan, prepare and partner with federal, state and local governments to strengthen the role of southwestern Utah local officials in the execution of state and federal programs at the local level; and

**WHEREAS** the governing body of the Association is the Steering Committee which includes a county commissioner, a mayor, and a school board member from each of the five counties as well as an ex-officio representative from Southern Utah University and Dixie State University; and

**WHEREAS** the overall purpose of the Association is to provide a forum to identify, discuss, study, and resolve area-wide planning and development concerns; and

**WHEREAS** the Association provides planning, technical assistance, and direct services in Community and Economic Development, Transportation Planning, Small Business Financing, Aging Programs, Human Services Planning, Child Care Resource and Referral, Home Rehabilitation and Weatherization; and other activities, as directed by our local governing officials; and

**WHEREAS** the Association provides professional staff expertise to local elected and appointed officials for the purpose of aiding in the development and implementation of effective decision-making processes and program delivery; and

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**WHEREAS** the Association operates largely on funding allocated from numerous federal and state contracts, matched with local government contributions; and

**WHEREAS** the delivery of services to the public in this region have already, or may soon be adversely affected, both directly and indirectly, through the partial shutdown of certain federal government agencies and programs;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE STEERING COMMITTEE OF THE FIVE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS** that the Five County Association of Governments supports both the Congress and the President to recognize the impacts, the budgetary uncertainties; and eventual disruptions of local services provided by the Association for the constituents of Utah . Please seek an immediate resolve to this federal budget impasse.

The foregoing resolution adopted the 9<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2013.

**James Matson**

Digitally signed by James Matson  
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**Commissioner James Matson, Chair**

**ATTEST:**



**Bryan D. Thiriot, Executive Director**

**AGENDA ITEM # X-A. (Continued)**



United States  
Department of  
Agriculture

Forest  
Service

Dixie National Forest  
1789 N. Wedgewood Lane  
Cedar City, UT 84721

Phone: (435) 865-3700  
Fax: (435) 865-3791

File Code: 1580  
Date: October 25, 2013

Five County Association of Governments, Utah  
Attention: Ken Sizemore, Executive Director  
P.O. Box 1550  
St. George, Utah 84771

RE: Memorandum of Understanding # 06-MU-11040700-038

Dear Mr. Sizemore:

Thank you for the opportunity to partner with the Five County Association of Governments through the Memorandum of Understanding #06-MU-11040700-038 which has expired. This document established Cooperating Agency status to FCAOG and its member counties in developing the Dixie National Forest's Motorized Travel Plan (MTP). This document was only supposed to remain in effect until the notice of availability for the final EIS was published in the Federal Register. We would like to close this document at this time. If you don't believe that this agreement should be closed please contact me within thirty (30) days. If not, you can consider this agreement closed.

If you have any questions or concerns relating to this agreement, feel free to contact Pat Fordham at 435-896-1060.

Sincerely,

Pat Fordham  
Grants & Agreements Coordinator  
115 East 900 North  
Richfield, UT 84701



**AGENDA ITEM # X-A. (Continued)**

**From:** Bulletts, Angelita S -FS [<mailto:asbulletts@fs.fed.us>]

**Sent:** Wednesday, October 30, 2013 11:01 AM

**To:** FS-pdl r4 dixie employee; Bryan Thiriot; Ellen Schunk; Gary Webster; Florence, Scott R ([S1Floren@blm.gov](mailto:S1Floren@blm.gov)); Jeff Bradybaugh ([jeff\\_bradybaugh@nps.gov](mailto:jeff_bradybaugh@nps.gov)); Whitworth, Jock ([jock\\_whitworth@nps.gov](mailto:jock_whitworth@nps.gov)); Christensen, Todd S ([tchriste@blm.gov](mailto:tchriste@blm.gov)); Bill Swadley; [Wade.Garrett@mail.house.gov](mailto:Wade.Garrett@mail.house.gov); Victor Iverson; Alan Gardner; [denny.drake@washco.utah.gov](mailto:denny.drake@washco.utah.gov); Jim Eardley

**Subject:** Selection of the Pine Valley District Ranger

Please help me to congratulate Joseph Rechsteiner as the new Pine Valley District Ranger! Though the candidate pool was very competitive, Joe best meets the needs of the district and will forward the Dixie NF's vision.

For those of you not familiar with Joe's background, he gained his BS in Forestry from Utah State University and for the past 12 years has worked performing district staff program management for recreation, special uses, facilities and minerals. He has detailed as the acting District Ranger for the Powell Ranger District and most recently, the Salida Ranger District in Colorado.

Joe has gained experience in management and supervision; and has had strong partnership experiences and has the capacity to accomplish even more with local partners in the St. George area.

Joe's start date will be December 1<sup>st</sup> and he and his family are looking forward to beginning a new chapter in the St. George area.

Congratulations Joe!

Angelita S. Bulletts, Forest Supervisor  
Dixie National Forest  
1789 N. Wedgewood Lane  
Cedar City, UT 84721  
(435)865-3701  
Fax: (435) 865-3791

**AGENDA ITEM # X-A. (Continued)**

**From:** Berkhoudt, Rene [<mailto:rberkhou@blm.gov>]  
**Sent:** Friday, November 01, 2013 10:20 AM  
**To:** Bryan Thiriot  
**Subject:** GSENM Plan Amendment Notice of Intent (NOI) - Status Update

Hello Brian; To follow up on my voice mail, I wanted to apprise you that the Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument Notice of Intent (NOI) for the Livestock Grazing Monument Management Plan Amendment and associated Environmental Impact Statement (MMP-A/EIS) will be published in the Federal Register Notice on Monday, November 4, 2013. This will kick-off the 60 day scoping period for public comment.

During this public scoping period, the BLM is seeking input from the public to determine relevant issues that will influence the scope of the environmental analysis, including alternatives, and guide the process for developing the EIS. To provide the public an opportunity to review the proposal and project information, the BLM will host public scoping from 6:00-9:00 PM on:

- Dec. 10 in Kanab at the Monument Headquarters building, 669 S. Hwy 89A;
- Dec. 11 in Escalante at the Interagency Visitor Center, 755 W. Main;
- Dec. 12 in Salt Lake City at the downtown city library.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions concerning this matter.

Sincerely,

René C. Berkhoudt  
Monument Manager  
Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument  
Office: (435) 644-1240  
FAX: (435) 644-1250

## AGENDA ITEM # X-A. (Continued)



For Immediate Release  
November 4, 2013

Contact: Larry Crutchfield, (435) 644-1209

### BLM Seeks Public Input on GSENM Livestock Grazing Plan Amendment

**Kanab, Utah**—The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument is seeking public input on a Livestock Grazing Monument Management Plan Amendment and Associated Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) that will replace existing grazing management decisions and amend the Monument Management Plan.

The announcement was published in the *Federal Register* on November 4, 2013 and initiates a public scoping period that will end 60 days from the notice date of publication, or 30 days after the last public scoping meeting, whichever is the latest date. During this public scoping period, the BLM is seeking input from the public to determine relevant issues that will influence the scope of the environmental analysis, including alternatives, and guide the process for developing the EIS. To provide the public an opportunity to review the proposal and project information, the BLM will host public scoping meetings that will take place in Kanab, Utah on December 10; Escalante, Utah on December 11; and Salt Lake City, Utah on December 12. Locations of the meetings will be published at least 15 days in advance through local media outlets and on the BLM GSENM website at: [www.ut.blm.gov/monument](http://www.ut.blm.gov/monument).

You may submit comments on issues and planning criteria in writing to the BLM at any public scoping meeting, or by any of the following methods:

- Mail: Bureau of Land Management  
Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument  
669 S. HWY 89-A  
Kanab, Utah 84741
- Email: [BLM\\_UT\\_GS\\_EIS@blm.gov](mailto:BLM_UT_GS_EIS@blm.gov)
- Fax: (435)644-1250

Please reference “GSENM Livestock Grazing Plan Amendment” when submitting comments.

To be most helpful, please submit comments before the close of the scoping period. Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment – including your personal identifying information – may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot

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guarantee that we will be able to do so. BLM will not consider anonymous comments. The minutes and list of attendees for each scoping meeting will be available to the public and open for 30 days after the meeting to any participant who wished to clarify the views he or she expressed.

For further information, please contact Matt Betenson, Planning and Support Services Division Chief at (435) 644-1205. Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 to contact the above individual during normal business hours. The FIRS is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, to leave a message or question with the above individual. You will receive a reply during normal business hours.

The BLM manages more than 245 million acres of public land, the most of any Federal agency. This land, known as the National System of Public Lands, is primarily located in 12 Western states, including Alaska. The BLM also administers 700 million acres of sub-surface mineral estate throughout the nation. The BLM's multiple-use mission is to sustain the health, diversity, and productivity of the public lands for the use and enjoyment of present and future generations. In Fiscal Year 2012, activities on public lands generated \$4.6 billion in revenue, much of which was shared with the States where the activities occurred. In addition, public lands contributed more than \$112 billion to the U.S. economy and helped support more than 500,000 jobs.

– BLM –

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# FIVE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS OUT OF STATE TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION REQUEST

Employee Name: Gary Zabriskie

Date: 11/05/2013

Pursuant to the Five County Association of Governments personnel policies and procedures, I am requesting authorization to travel out of state for the following purposes:

**PURPOSE OF TRAVEL:**

Travel to Denver, Colorado on, or about, November 20-22, to receive specialized Revolving Loan Fund technical assistance training by staff at the Denver Regional Office of the Economic Development Administration. Our FCAOG Economic Development District Revolving Loan Fund has been capitalized twice by EDA. This training is necessary for me to keep current with loan programmatic and federal reporting requirements. This travel is an eligible administrative expense from program income. Exact dates subject to EDA schedules and flight availability.

**PLEASE ATTACH SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION**

**Estimated Travel Costs:**

Airfare/Surface Transportation : \$325.00

Lodging 2 Nights @ \$99.00 : \$198.00

Per Diem 2 Days @ \$45.00 : \$90.00

Registration Fees      Days :                     

Other Costs: :                     

Explanation of other costs:

**TOTAL ESTIMATED TRAVEL COSTS: : \$613.00**

Source of travel funds: RLF Administrative Funds (Program Income)

Budget line item: 530-05 (RLF)

CFO Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Executive Director Signature:  Date: 05 Nov 13

**Review Trip Itinerary**

<b>Fare Details</b>	
1 Adults (age 18 to 64)	\$268.00
Additional Taxes/Fees	\$14.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$282.00</b>

✈ Unrestricted Fare for \$640.00 more

Choose this fare to take advantage of these additional benefits:

- Most flexible refundable fare
- Fee-waived itinerary changes
- Fee-waived, same-day flight changes (when available)
- MileagePlus bonus Premier qualifying miles



**✈ Flight Details**

**✈ Wed., Nov. 20, 2013 | St. George, UT (SGU) to Denver, CO (DEN)**

Flight: UAS293  
 Operated by SKYWEST DBA UNITED EXPRESS.  
 Aircraft: Canadair Regional Jet 200  
 Fare Class: United Economy (Y)  
 Meal: None  
 No Special Meal Offered.

Distance:  
**520 miles**

Travel Time:  
**1 hr 33 mn**

Arrive:  
**3:11 p.m.**  
 Wed., Nov. 20, 2013  
 Denver, CO (DEN)

**✈ Fri., Nov. 22, 2013 | Denver, CO (DEN) to St. George, UT (SGU)**

Flight: UAS293  
 Operated by SKYWEST DBA UNITED EXPRESS.  
 Aircraft: Canadair Regional Jet 200  
 Fare Class: United Economy (Y)  
 Meal: None  
 No Special Meal Offered.

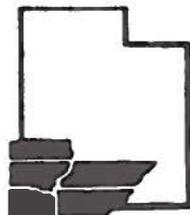
Distance:  
**520 miles**

Travel Time:  
**1 hr 46 mn**

Arrive:  
**1:08 p.m.**  
 Fri., Nov. 22, 2013  
 St. George, UT (SGU)

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### FIVE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS STEERING COMMITTEE **TENTATIVE ANNUAL MEETING SCHEDULE - 2014**

Date	Location	Address	Time
January 8, 2014	Five County AOG Large Conference Room	1070 West 1600 South Bldg. B.; St. George, UT	1:00 p.m.
February 12, 2014	Kane County Emergency Services Training Facility/ Search & Rescue Building	30 West Airport Drive Kanab, UT	1:00 p.m.
March 12, 2014	Beaver City Office Conference Room	30 West 300 North Beaver, UT	1:00 p.m.
April 16, 2014	Heritage Center Rooms 3 & 4	105 North 100 East Cedar City, UT	1:00 p.m.
May 14, 2014	Garfield County Courthouse Conference Room (Upstairs)	55 South Main Street Panguitch, UT	1:00 p.m.
June 11, 2014	Kane County Emergency Services Training Facility/ Search & Rescue Building	30 West Airport Drive Kanab, UT	1:00 p.m.
August 13, 2014	Garfield County Courthouse Conference Room (Upstairs)	55 South Main Street Panguitch, UT	1:00 p.m.
September 17, 2014	Beaver City Office Conference Room	30 West 300 North Beaver, UT	1:00 p.m.
October 8, 2014	Brian Head Public Safety Facility	535 South Vasels Road Brian Head, UT	1:00 p.m.
November 12, 2014	Five County AOG Large Conference Room	1070 West 1600 South Bldg. B.; St. George, UT	10:00 a.m.

**Conferences:**

UT Association of Counties: Management Conference, April 16-18, 2014, SLC;  
Annual Conference, November 12-14, 2014, St. George

UT League of Cities & Towns: Mid Year Conference, April 9-11, 2014, St. George; Road School,  
April 22-25, 2014, SLC; Annual Conference, Sept. 10-12, 2014, SLC

Wash. Co. Economic Development Summit: Thursday, January 16, 2014

Utah Rural Summit at SUU: August 7-8, 2014