

ROUTT COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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REGULAR MEETING

August 4, 2020

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The Routt County Board of Health or Board of Commissioners may enter executive session pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(b) to receive legal advice related to specific legal questions concerning Routt County's COVID-19 response.

1. **9:30 A.M. CALL TO ORDER**
2. **APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE, MANUAL WARRANTS, AND PAYROLL**
3. **CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

Items of routine and non-controversial nature are placed on the consent agenda to allow the Board of County Commissioners to spend its time and energy on more important items on a lengthy agenda. Any Commissioner may request that an item be "PULLED" from the consent agenda and considered separately. Any member of the public may "REQUEST" any item to be "PULLED" from the consent agenda.

A. APPROVAL OF THE OIL AND GAS LETTER TO SENATOR BENNET.

Documents:

[SENATOR BENNET LETTER- O AND G BONDING.PDF](#)

4. **CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS PULLED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA**

5. **9:40 A.M. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Public Comment will be heard on any item except quasi-judicial land use items. County Commissioners will take public comment under consideration but will not make any decision or take action at this time.

1. DUE TO THE CURRENT PANDEMIC, THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REQUEST CITIZENS ATTEND THE MEETINGS VIA PHONE. To make a public comment raise your hand on the zoom platform if online; if calling in press *9. Another option is to download the Zoom app that allows you to raise your hand as well. The moderator will then select you when it is your turn. Written public comment can also be submitted to bcc@co.routt.co.us. Please make sure to indicate in the subject line of your email that it is public comment and reference the agenda item to which it relates. Public comments will be entered into the record.

6. **9:40 A.M. LEGAL**

Erick Knaus, County Attorney

A. 9:40 A.M. LEGAL WEEKLY COUNTY POLICY DISCUSSION

Discussion with the Board of County Commissioners on various County policy statements.

Presenter: Erick Knaus, County Attorney

Documents:

[BCC COMM FORM FOR POLICY DISCUSSION.PDF](#)

[BULLETIN BOARD.DRAFT.PDF](#)

[4 - RIVER TRESPASS.9-29-1998.PDF](#)

B. RESOLUTION CONTINUING DECLARATION OF LOCAL DISASTER

Consideration of and adoption of a Resolution Continuing Declaration of Local Disaster

Documents:

[DISASTER DECLARATION COMMUNICATIONS FORM 7-29-2020.PDF](#)

[DISASTER DECLARATION FIFTH CONTINUE RESOLUTION 7-29-2020.PDF](#)

7. **10:30 A.M. EXECUTIVE SESSION COUNTY ATTORNEY EVALUATION**

Executive session may be requested for discussion of a personnel matter under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(f)(I)&(II) and not involving: any specific employees who have requested discussion of the matter in open session; any member of this body or any elected official; the appointment of any person to fill an office of this body or of an elected official; or personnel policies that do not require the discussion of matters personal to particular employees;

8. **11:30 A.M. COVID-19 WORK SESSION**

The Commissioners will address critical items for regular county and emergency operations related to the COVID-19 pandemic. Action may be taken and direction to staff may be given in relation to any of these items.

The Routt County Board of County Commissioners may enter executive session pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(b) to receive legal advice related to specific legal questions concerning Routt County's COVID-19 response.

9. 12:00 P.M. MEETING ADJOURNED

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U.S. Senator Michael Bennet
261 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Bennet:

We support your continued efforts to protect taxpayers, our communities and our environment from the harmful consequences of orphaned oil and gas wells, including by sponsoring legislation to improve the efficacy of the federal onshore bonding program and supporting cleanup efforts. As has been well documented, the federal onshore oil and gas bonding program does not provide adequate financial assurances to prevent orphaned wells from becoming a taxpayer liability, along with a threat to local communities and our climate.

We urge you to pursue a legislative solution to this problem that ensures federal bonds are sufficient to cover the full costs of reclamation and adequately protect other public lands resources, such as wildlife and recreation, while considering options to address needed remediation and reclamation more broadly.

The state's recent study has confirmed the need to address orphaned oil and gas wells in Colorado and the current economic situation is likely to increase the scope of the problem. We would like to see the current risks from orphaned wells addressed but we cannot afford to keep adding to the problem on federal lands.

Oil and gas wells that are abandoned by companies without being fully plugged and reclaimed pose many risks to our communities and our nearby public lands. Orphaned wells can leak methane into the air, leach toxins into groundwater, harm wildlife and livestock, and impact other public lands resources and recreation opportunities. A 2019 GAO report shows that 84% of federal bonds are too low to cover reclamation costs of the wells they cover, leaving the BLM liable for upwards of \$333 million in potential reclamation costs.¹

While oil and gas development is a part of Colorado's economy, its economic value is diminished when costs associated with cleaning up drilling sites are shifted to taxpayers and government agencies. Colorado's public lands are important to our economy, too, and where oil and gas development occurs, it should be fully reclaimed to protect wildlife, recreation, and sustain our outdoor economy and environment for all Coloradans.

¹ <https://www.gao.gov/assets/710/701450.pdf>

We appreciate your efforts to protect public lands, such as through the Colorado Outdoor Recreation and Economy Act. We further support your work to ensure that our public lands are protected against orphaned oil and gas wells, our taxpayers do not have to bear the burden of cleaning them up, and our communities are safeguarded from the risks they pose.

Sincerely,
Routt County Commissioners

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Tim Corrigan

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Beth Melton'.

Beth Melton

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Doug Monger'.

Doug Monger



ROUTT COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA COMMUNICATION FORM

ITEM DATE: Weekly Tuesdays	ITEM TIME: 9:40 a.m.
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FROM:	Erick Knaus
TODAY'S DATE:	
AGENDA TITLE:	Discussion and Direction on County Policy Statements.

CHECK ONE THAT APPLIES TO YOUR ITEM:	
<input type="checkbox"/> ACTION ITEM	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DIRECTION	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> INFORMATION	

I. DESCRIBE THE REQUEST OR ISSUE:
Discussion with the Board of County Commissioners on various County policy statements.

II. RECOMMENDED ACTION:
Direction from the Commissioners on whether to rescind the policy in whole, recommend changes to the policy, or determine if the policy is sufficient as is. Based on the direction from the Commissioners, each policy will be reformatted into the approved format and a responsible department will be assigned to maintain the policy in the future.

III. DESCRIBE FISCAL IMPACTS (VARIATION TO BUDGET):
PROPOSED REVENUE:
PROPOSED EXPENDITURE:
FUNDING SOURCE:

N/A

IV. IMPACTS OF A REGIONAL NATURE OR ON OTHER JURISDICTIONS (IDENTIFY ANY COMMUNICATIONS ON THIS ITEM):
N/A

ROUTT COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
AGENDA COMMUNICATION FORM

V. BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Currently, numerous policies and policy manuals are in place across the various departments under the auspices of Routt County government. Over time, numerous “stand alone” policies (often called “Statements of Policy” or “Memorandum”) have developed as well as the Department Head Resource Manual, and the Routt County Personnel Manual. At the direction of the Commissioners, a policy committee began compiling, reviewing, and recommending action on the policies of the County with the goal being that they are ultimately published in a uniform manner with easy access to all County employees. The end result will be a uniform and comprehensive compilation of all of the County’s policies. To date, the committee has reviewed a majority of the policies and made comments and suggestions. The next step is for the Commissioners to provide direction on each policy and to establish an adoption/amendment protocol for all future policies.

VI. LEGAL ISSUES:

N/A

VII. CONFLICTS OR ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES:

N/A

VIII. SUMMARY AND OTHER OPTIONS:

N/A

**ROUTT COUNTY
ADMINISTRATIVE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES**

TITLE Posting of Written Matter on or at County Buildings	Date of First Approval May 6, 2003
RESPONSIBLE DEPARTMENT	Date Last Revised

Purpose: To address the posting of written matter on property of Routt County in a manner that promotes the efficient operation of official County and other public business in County Buildings while also permitting the reasonable exercise of the public's freedom of expression pursuant to the First Amendment of the United States Constitution and Section 10 of Article II of the Colorado Constitution. For the purposes of this Policy "written matter" includes all writings, graphic representations, images, and tangible objects of any sort.

Department(s) Affected: All.

Authority: This Policy is based on the inherent and express authority of the Board of County Commissioners ("Board") in regard to County property, specifically the power under C.R.S. § 30-11-107(1)(a), (c) & (e):

to make such orders concerning the property belonging to the county as it deems expedient;
to build and keep in repair county buildings and cause the same to be insured in the name of the county treasurer for the benefit of the county, and in case there are no county buildings, to provide suitable rooms for county purposes; and
to represent the county and have the care of the county property and the management of the business and concerns of the county in all cases where no other provisions are made by law.

The Board finds that prior to the adoption of this Policy, no part of any County Building was considered, established or designated as a public forum for the purposes of posting written matter not associated with Official Government Business. It is the intent of this Policy to establish designated public forums in County Buildings for the purposes of the posting of written matter by the public.

Waiver Authority, if any: None.

I. County Buildings.

- A. Routt County owns and leases a variety of buildings where the business of Routt County government and other government and public offices is conducted, hereinafter referred to as "County Buildings."

- B. All County Buildings, whether in use or existence as of the date of this Policy or which may in the future be in use or existence, are intended for the primary purpose of carrying on the business, pursuant to law, of Routt County government and other government and public offices housed therein. Secondly, certain County Buildings may be permitted to be open and used for other limited public purposes, so long as consistent with the primary purpose of carrying on government business in accordance with law. This Policy is intended to define that part of the secondary public purpose of County Buildings specific to the use of County Buildings for the public posting of written matter. This Policy is not intended to expand or limit in any way any other public use of County Buildings such as, for example but without limitation, the use of County Buildings for non-government meetings, gatherings, or any other expressive activities.
- C. County Buildings Are Reserved for Official Government Use. The walls, doors, windows, display cases, bulletin boards, and all other parts of the interior and exterior of all County Buildings shall, with the exceptions listed below, be reserved solely for official government use by Routt County, its various elected officials, departments, and employees, and any other government or public entities which occupy any part of such County Buildings or which are otherwise permitted by Routt County to use such County Buildings ("Official Governmental Use").
1. Such Official Governmental Use shall include, without limitation,
 - a. the official posting or publication of notices for public purposes or for employment purposes as may be required or permitted by law;
 - b. the display of public information related specifically to the governmental or public mission or function of a particular office, official, or department occupying the County Building;
 - c. building directory, informational or regulatory signage;
 - d. in the reasonable discretion of the Board of County Commissioners, the decoration of any County Building with historic photographs, artifacts, or information for educational or commemorative purposes;
 - e. in addition, the personal office space of employees may be decorated by such employees consistent with the personnel policies of the County or other employer occupying any County Building.
 2. It is hereby declared that, with the exception of Designated Public Forums, all portions of all County Buildings which are reserved for Official Government Use are non-public forums and are therefore not open for the posting of written matter which is not included in Official Government Use and any such written matter may be removed without notice.
 3. The Board hereby designates the County Manager, and reserves the right to designate additional departments or employees as necessary, to manage County Buildings for compliance with these provisions regarding Official Governmental Use of County Buildings. This provision is not intended to override any provision of

law which imposes the duty of posting and maintaining particular notices on any specific person or official.

- II. Exceptions--Designated Public Forums. The Board may from time to time in the ordinary course of business, designate particular places in any County Building for the installation and use of Public Bulletin Boards to leave open ample alternative channels for public communication in County Buildings. Public Bulletin Boards shall be marked as such and shall include all applicable rules for their use, as established in this Policy.
 - A. The public may post, within the space provided on any Public Bulletin Board, written matter of a public or community nature such as notices of information, upcoming events, availability of public or community resources, or activities of public or community interest. Commercial advertising of products or services is prohibited and may be removed at any time.
 - B. Any written matter permitted to be posted on any Public Bulletin Board may remain posted for a reasonable time, after which it may be removed. Written matter that is date specific (e.g., a notice for a meeting or event on a particular day) may be removed at any time after the date specified. Written matter which is not date specific should be stamped by a designated County employee prior to its being posted and may be removed at any reasonable time after such date stamped thereon as may be determined from the context of the written matter, provided that in all cases ninety days shall constitute a reasonable time. Written matter that is not date stamped prior to being posted may be date stamped by a designated County employee at any time after being posted.
 - C. In those locations where the Board has designated and installed a Public Bulletin Board, the Board shall also designate a responsible department, employee or employees who shall monitor the Public Bulletin Boards in such locations. Such monitoring shall include provision of information to the public regarding the use of the Public Bulletin Board, date stamping written matter as necessary, and removal of written matter as provided in this Policy.
- III. Written Matter Prohibited from Being Posted.
 - A. Written matter that is obscene, or harassing or discriminatory on the basis of race, sex, religion, or other legally recognized basis of diversity, or which threatens or causes imminent violence or breach of the peace, or which threatens to disrupt the efficient operation of a County Building for official public business, is prohibited from being posted on Public Bulletin Boards and if posted may be removed at any time without notice by designated County employees.
 - B. No written matters of any kind may be posted by members of the public anywhere in County Buildings, including the doors, windows, or walls of such County Buildings, except as provided in this Policy.

- C. Routt County is not responsible for the removal, destruction, or alteration of any written matter on Public Bulletin Boards or any other place in any County Building. Questions or objections regarding this Policy should be directed first to the responsible department, employee or employees designated pursuant to this Policy, and second to the County Manager and Board of County Commissioners, and the Board shall have the final say on any such question or objection.

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Cattlemens Association or individual landowners shall reimburse Routt County for the cost of such signs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Routt County, Colorado, that:

1. a. Signs bearing the following notice may be placed on those bridges in Routt County identified in section 1.b. of this Resolution:

PRIVATE PROPERTY ON RIVER
ASK FIRST
RIVER USERS MAY BE SUBJECT TO TRESPASS LIABILITY

b. Designated bridges located in Routt County which may be posted in accordance with this Resolution:

- i. Bridge over the Elk River on CR 42, located in Section 5 T6N R85W
- ii. Bridge over the Elk River on CR 44, located in Section 22 T7N R85W
- iii. Bridge over the Elk River on CR 52E, located in Sections 3 and 4 T7N R85W
- iv. Bridge over the Elk River on CR 58, located in Section 33 T9N R85W
- v. Bridge over the Elk River on CR 62, located in Section 28 T9N R85W
- vi. Bridge over the Elk River on CR 64A, located in Section 8 T9N R84W
- vii. Bridge over the Elk River on CR 129 located in Section 27 T9N R85W
- viii. Bridge over the Yampa River on CR 14F located in Section 32, T6N R84W
- ix. Bridge over the Yampa River on CR 21B located in Section 28, T3N R85W
- x. Bridge over the Yampa River on CR 22 located in Sections 8 and 14, T5N R84W
- xi. Bridge over the Yampa River on CR 33A located in Section 8, T6N R85W
- xii. Bridge over the Yampa River on CR 179 located in Section 15 T6N R86W
- xiii. Bridge over the Yampa River on CR 205 located in Section 16 T6N R86W

2. Posting of signs pursuant to this Resolution shall be the responsibility of the County through its Road & Bridge Department and no other party shall have the authority to post any such sign in the County right-of-way or on any County bridge. Unauthorized signs may be removed by Routt County forces without liability to Routt County. The Routt County Cattlemens Association, or a landowner requesting the posting of such a sign, shall reimburse Routt County for the cost of any and all such signs, including posts and hardware necessary to erect the signs.

3. Posting of signs pursuant to this Resolution is for the sole purpose of providing notice and has no legal effect whatsoever on the rights, if any, of river users to boat or float on rivers in Routt County or the rights, if any, of private landowners to exclude such persons from boating or floating on such rivers through their property.

4. Posting of signs pursuant to this Resolution is not and shall not be deemed an endorsement or adoption by Routt County of a policy or position in regard to the legal or factual issue whether boating or floating on a river in Routt County does or does not constitute a trespass,

either civil or criminal. Any determination of such issue shall be pursuant to the law of the State of Colorado independent of and without regard to this Resolution or any signs posted pursuant hereto. Posting of signs pursuant to this Resolution shall not affect the authority of the sheriff or other law enforcement officer to investigate or make arrests for any crime.

5. The language of any signs posted pursuant to this Resolution shall be construed as follows:

a. "PRIVATE PROPERTY ON RIVER" is intended only to put the public on notice that at least some of the land through which the river flows is private property. Determining what is "private property" and what rights and obligations are associated with it shall be pursuant to the law of the State of Colorado independent of and without regard to this Resolution or any signs posted pursuant hereto.

b. "ASK FIRST" is intended as a general courtesy, requesting river users to ask for permission where necessary before entering private property. It is not intended to and shall not create an obligation to ask permission before boating or floating on rivers in Routt County. Routt County takes no position on the existence or non-existence of any such obligation. If such an obligation exists, it exists independently of and without regard to this Resolution and any sign posted pursuant hereto.

c. "RIVER USERS MAY BE SUBJECT TO TRESPASS LIABILITY" shall be strictly construed solely to provide notice that there is a possibility of trespass liability when boating or floating on rivers in Routt County. This language has no legal effect whatsoever. It neither creates nor abolishes any legal right or obligation. To the extent any trespass liability, either civil or criminal, exists for floating or boating on rivers in Routt County, it does so pursuant to the law of the State of Colorado independent of and without regard to this Resolution or any signs posted pursuant hereto.

6. It is the position and policy of Routt County that users of the river do so at their own risk. Routt County neither permits nor prohibits boating or floating on rivers in Routt County or the access to such rivers at bridges on Routt County road rights-of-way.

ADOPTED AND EFFECTIVE this 27th day of September, 1998.

BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ROUTT COUNTY,
COLORADO.

Nancy J. Stahoviak
Nancy J. Stahoviak, Chairman

Vote: Ben S. Beall (Aye) ~~(Nay)~~
Nancy J. Stahoviak ~~(Aye)~~ (Nay)
Daniel R. Ellison ~~(Aye)~~ (Nay)

ATTEST:

Kay Weiland by Debra Hesse, Deputy
Kay Weiland, Routt County Clerk and Recorder

ROUTT COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA COMMUNICATION FORM

ITEM DATE: August 4, 2020	ITEM TIME:
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FROM:	Erick Knaus/Lynaia South
TODAY'S DATE:	July 29 2020
AGENDA TITLE:	Consideration of and adoption of a Resolution Continuing Declaration of Local Disaster (Fifth)

CHECK ONE THAT APPLIES TO YOUR ITEM:	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ACTION ITEM	
<input type="checkbox"/> DIRECTION	
<input type="checkbox"/> INFORMATION	

I. DESCRIBE THE REQUEST OR ISSUE:
Consideration of and adoption of a Resolution Continuing Declaration of Local Disaster.

II. RECOMMENDED ACTION:
Motion to approve a Resolution Continuing Declaration of Local Disaster

III. DESCRIBE FISCAL IMPACTS (VARIATION TO BUDGET):
PROPOSED REVENUE:
PROPOSED EXPENDITURE:
FUNDING SOURCE:
N/A

IV. IMPACTS OF A REGIONAL NATURE OR ON OTHER JURISDICTIONS (IDENTIFY ANY COMMUNICATIONS ON THIS ITEM):
N/A

V. BACKGROUND INFORMATION:
On March 13, 2020, the Chair signed a Declaration of Local Disaster relating to the COVID-19 global pandemic. On March 16, 2020, the Board of County Commissioners ratified and extended this Declaration of Local Disaster. This is the fifth Resolution extending the Declaration and extends the Declaration for another 30 days.

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VI. LEGAL ISSUES:
N/A
VII. CONFLICTS OR ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES:
N/A
VIII. SUMMARY AND OTHER OPTIONS:
N/A

STATE OF COLORADO)

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-__

) ss

COUNTY OF ROUTT)

**A RESOLUTION OF THE ROUTT COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS CONTINUING THE
DECLARATION OF LOCAL DISASTER**

WHEREAS, the Colorado Disaster Emergency Act, C.R.S. 24-33.5-701, *et seq*, provides procedures for statewide and local prevention of, preparation for, response to, and recovery from disasters; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-33.5-703(3), a “disaster” is defined to mean “the occurrence or imminent threat of widespread or severe damage, injury, or loss of life or property resulting from any natural cause or cause of human origin, including but not limited to fire, flood, earthquake, wind, storm, wave action, hazardous substance incident, oil spill or other water contamination requiring emergency action to avert danger or damage, volcanic activity, epidemic, air pollution, blight, drought, infestation, explosion, civil disturbance, or hostile military or paramilitary action, or a condition of riot, insurrection, or invasion”; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-33.5-709, a local disaster may be declared “only by the principal executive officer of a political subdivision;” and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to C.R.S. §§ 30-10-307 and 308, as amended, the chair of the Board of County Commissioners (“Board”) is the principal executive officer of Routt County and, in the absence of the chair, the vice-chair is statutorily authorized to act as the principal executive officer; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-33.5-709(1), the declaration of a local disaster “shall not be continued or renewed for a period in excess of seven days except by or with the consent of the governing board of the political subdivision;” and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-33.5-709(1), any order declaring, continuing, or terminating a local disaster “shall be given prompt and general publicity and shall be filed promptly with the county clerk and recorder;” and,

WHEREAS, the Routt County Director of Emergency Management has advised the Board of a disaster currently present in Routt County, to wit, the occurrence or imminent threat of widespread or severe damage, injury or loss of life or property resulting from COVID19 Pandemic (“Pandemic”) requiring emergency action to avert danger or damage, which began to occur on or before March 10, 2020, and which continues; and

WHEREAS, it would be appropriate and in the interests of the public health and safety, and would further protect property, for the Board to implement said recommendation; and

WHEREAS, the cost and magnitude of responding to and recovery from the impact of the Pandemic is far in excess of the county's available resources; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-33.5-709(2), the effect of declaring a local disaster "is to activate the response and recovery aspects of any and all applicable local and interjurisdictional disaster emergency plans and to authorize the furnishing of aid and assistance under such plans"; and

WHEREAS, Colorado Governor Polis issued a Declaration of a Disaster Emergency on March 10, 2020; the President of the United States declared a National Emergency on March 13, 2020; and those declarations continue; and

WHEREAS, the Chair of the Board declared a Local Disaster on March 13, 2020. On March 16, 2020, the Board adopted Resolution No. 2020-08 Ratifying and Continuing the Declaration of Local Disaster. The Board adopted Resolution Nos. 2020-21, 2020-27 and 2020-34 Continuing the Declaration of Local Disaster and it is the intent of this Resolution to further continue that Declaration; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. That the Board hereby continues the Declaration of Local Disaster. There is a local disaster in Routt County, to wit, the occurrence or imminent threat of widespread or severe damage, injury or loss of life or property resulting from the Pandemic requiring emergency action to avert danger or damage.

2. The effect of this declaration of disaster shall be to activate the response and recovery aspects of any and all applicable local and interjurisdictional disaster emergency plans and to authorize the furnishing of aid and assistance under such plans.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the principal executive officers of all other cities and towns in Routt County affected by said disaster are urged to proclaim similar declarations and to cooperate with Routt County as necessary to cope with this incident.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Declaration of Local Disaster shall be effective as of the date of the original Declaration, March 13, 2020. This Resolution and the Declaration of Local Disaster shall continue in effect through September 3, 2020. True copies will be filed promptly with the Colorado Office of Emergency Management and the Routt County Clerk and Recorder, and shall be promptly distributed to the appropriate representatives of the news media.

ADOPTED THIS 4th DAY OF AUGUST, 2020, BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR ROUTT COUNTY, COLORADO.

Timothy V. Corrigan, Chair

Vote:	Timothy V. Corrigan	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
	Douglas B. Monger	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
	M. Elizabeth Melton	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent

ATTEST:

Kim Bonner,
Routt County Clerk and Recorder