



MEMORANDUM

MEETING TYPE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

MEETING DATE: SEPT. 12, 2023

ITEM NAME: South Region Emergency Management Mutual Aid Agreement

SUBMITTED BY: Brittney Ciarlo, Emergency Management

SUMMARY: This Mutual Aid Agreement allows assistance with Emergency Operations personnel, resources, equipment and facilities from our Emergency Management region partners when our capability has been exceeded.

RECOMMENDATION: I recommend that a motion is made to approve this agreement on behalf of our County.

BACKGROUND: The South Region EM Mutual Aid agreement has been reviewed by each County's legal team and signed by three of the five counties. Las Animas is still pending review. When this is in place for all parties, it allows each of us a stronger network to access items, personnel or facilities. It is important this is already in place before we need it during a disaster. The agreement begins with a three year term and no cost associated with the first three operational periods, for equipment and personnel.

BOARD ACTION TAKEN:

APPROVED

DENIED

OTHER

SIGNATURE OF THE CHAIR: _____

NOTES:

RESOLUTION NO. 22 183

**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF PUEBLO COUNTY, COLORADO**

**APPROVING THE SOUTH REGION EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT MUTUAL AID
AGREEMENT BETWEEN CUSTER, FREMONT, HUERFANO, LAS ANIMAS,
AND PUEBLO COUNTY**

WHEREAS, to establish the terms and conditions by which the South Region Counties (Collectively the “Parties” and individually the “Party”) may request aid and assistance from the other Party with respect emergency services in responding to a significant event, an emergency or a disaster that exceeds the resources available to the requesting Party, the Parties desire to clarify the role and duties of each Party and have submitted a Mutual Aid Agreement between the following Parties:

- Custer County, Colorado
- Fremont County, Colorado
- Huerfano County, Colorado
- Las Animas County, Colorado
- Pueblo County Sheriff’s Office

WHEREAS, the Colorado General Assembly has authorized such intergovernmental mutual aid agreements by the provisions of Sections 29-1-203 and 29-5-101 through 29-5-109, C.R.S.; and

WHEREAS, the danger of catastrophes to the public welfare knows no jurisdictional boundary; and

WHEREAS, each of the Parties desire to aid and assist each other by the exchange of services and equipment for the purposes of preserving the health, safety and welfare of their inhabitants; and

WHEREAS, through greater cooperation in mutual aid, each Party may have greater resources available to aid their community in time of disaster; and

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of the Pueblo County Sheriff’s Office, Emergency Services Bureau, that a Mutual Aid Agreement be entered into with the listed Parties to serve a public purpose and promote the safety, security, and general welfare of the public; and

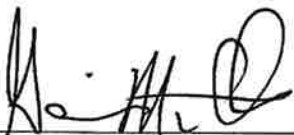
WHEREAS, this Board concurs with the that recommendation and desires to execute the Mutual Aid Agreement with the Parties regarding request for aid and assistance in responding to requests for aid and assistance from the other Parties with respect to emergency services.

RESOLUTION NO. 22183 (CONTINUED)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Pueblo County, Colorado, that the Mutual Aid Agreement between the Parties regarding request for aid and assistance in responding to a significant event, an emergency, or a disaster, the terms and conditions of which are incorporated herein by this reference, is hereby approved and the Pueblo County Sheriff is authorized to execute said Mutual Aid Agreement on behalf of Pueblo County.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 19th day of July 2022, in Pueblo County, Colorado.

**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF PUEBLO COUNTY, COLORADO**

By: 
Garrison M. Ortiz, Chair

ATTEST:

By: 
Gilbert Ortiz, County Clerk

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**Fremont County, Board of County
Commissioners Chairperson**

Name Date

Attest:

Deputy Clerk of the Board

WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the date first written above.

**Huerfano County, Board of County
Commissioners Chairperson**

Name Date

Attest:

Deputy Clerk of the Board

**Las Animas County, Board of County
Commissioners Chairperson**

Name Date

Attest:

Deputy Clerk of the Board

Pueblo County, Sheriff

Sheriff Kirk M. Taylor 7/25/22

Name Date



Sheriff – Pueblo County

Attest:

Deputy Clerk of the Board