



MEMORANDUM

MEETING TYPE: Board of County Commissioners

MEETING DATE: January 23, 2024

ITEM NAME: Recommended Changes to Section 7 Regulations

SUBMITTED BY: Carl Young, County Administrator

SUMMARY: On Thursday January 11, 2024 the Huerfano County Planning Commission voted to recommend changes to Section 7 of the Huerfano County Land Use Code on Matters of State Interest. These changes update Section 7 to reflect changes in the underlying statute as well as to provide additional clarity around permit requirements and application standards.

RECOMMENDATION: Motion to direct the Administrator to schedule a workshop on the proposed changes to Section 7 of the Huerfano County Land Use Code
OR
Motion to direct the Administrator to prepare a resolution for the adoption of the changes to Section 7 of the Huerfano County Land Use Code as recommended by the Planning Commission

BACKGROUND: The following is a summary of the major changes proposed by the Planning Commission:

- Section 7.01 includes several new or revised definitions including, but not limited to: (1) Desiccated water rights; (2) Water supply system; (3) Ground subsidence; (4) New communities; (5) Site Selection; (6) Urbanized growth center; and (7) Water related activities.
- Updates to Section 7.03 are proposed to clarify: (1) when permits are required for water related matters; (2) which water and sewage treatment activities are exempt from the permit process; (3) how determinations on whether a proposed activity or process should go the permit process are made; and (4) what specific uses are exempted from the permitting process.
- Section 7.04 includes a proposed increase in the application fee from \$300 to \$5000 as well as updates to (1) application submittal requirements; (2) referral processes; and (3) application standards and approval criteria.

BOARD ACTION TAKEN:

APPROVED

DENIED

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SIGNATURE OF THE CHAIR: _____

NOTES: