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Subject: Letter of Support for the Acquisition of the 5 Kivas Ruins Acquisition by the Utah Utah Division of State Parks

To Whom It May Concern:

The San Juan County Commission is pleased to provide this letter of support for the Utah Division of State Parks acquisition for the 160-acre parcel of land in San Juan County. The property in Westwater Canyon, which is located in the unincorporated area of Blandy City contains the “Little Westwater Ruins”, also known as the “Five Kivas Ruins”.

As the Board of County Commissioner, we recognize the benefits of the potential of bringing this property into Utah State Parks system as it will bring this well-known and important cultural site under their care and help ensure its long-term preservation. We look forward to the continued educational and recreational opportunities for the community and to expanding our ability to tell the story of the rich cultural heritage of the region.

We fully support this endeavor and believe it merits your serious consideration. We appreciate your consideration of this request and look forward to a long-lasting relationship with the State Parks here in San Juan County.

Sincerely,

Lori Maughan
Commission Chair