

SAN JUAN COUNTY COMMISSION

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May 6, 2025

Lisa Wilkolak, Realty Specialist Moab Field Office Bureau of Land Management 82 East Dogwood Avenue Moab, Utah 84532

Re: Proposed Communications Tower, Black Ridge

Dear Ms. Wilkolak:

San Juan County supports the proposal for a 250-foot-tall communications tower and associated infrastructure on Black Ridge with its stated purpose and need to improve voice and data services particularly along US Highway 191 and Utah Highway 46.

Communications towers are essential to San Juan County especially in its remote and rugged areas many of which are "dead spots" to wireless communication.

Communications towers are essential for the health, safety and well-being of county residents and visitors especially along busy highway corridors and adjacent remote areas. The proposed 250-foot-tall communication tower would greatly improve communications in the service area enhancing efforts in search and rescue, emergency management services and law enforcement as well as improving the communications capability of residents and visitors alike. The proposal is consistent with the County Resource Management Plan guidance and objective for Pipelines and Infrastructure which states "Pipelines, powerlines, communication lines and other infrastructure are present to provide for transport and delivery of petroleum products, water, electric power and telecommunications services to meet current and future needs of the county."

We would be happy to provide any support we can to see this proposal implemented.

Sincerely,

Sylvia Stubbs Commission Chair

cc: Nicollee Gaddis-Wyatt, BLM Grand County Council