

# ROUTT COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

## AGENDA COMMUNICATION FORM

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| <b>ITEM DATE:</b> 05/07/2019 | <b>ITEM TIME:</b> 1:35 PM |
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| <b>FROM:</b>         | <b>PDR Board – Helena Taylor</b>                  |
| <b>TODAY’S DATE:</b> | 05/01/2019  |
| <b>AGENDA TITLE:</b> | PDR PROJECT 104 – Conservation Easement Amendment |

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>ACTION ITEM</b> |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>DIRECTION</b>              |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>INFORMATION</b>            |  |

**I. DESCRIBE THE REQUEST OR ISSUE:**

Yampa Valley Land Trust (YVLT) is requesting an amendment to the conservation easement on PDR project 104. The easement was purchased in 2000. In order to resolve some boundary issues that currently exists, YVLT and Mr. Wilhelm are proposing amending the existing 325-acre conservation easement by adding 35-acre parcel to the existing easement, making it 350-acre conservation easement and adding a 20-acre building envelope to accommodate the existing residence in its current location. The balance of the 35-acre tract that would be added to the existing conservation easement is in an area of dense mountain shrub vegetation. This amendment will result in a net gain of 15 acres of conserved land, protecting additional open space and wildlife habitat. There will be no changes to the terms and provisions of the conservation easement.

**II. RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Consideration to approve and authorization for the Chair to sign the Amendment to Deed of Conservation Easement for the Wilhelm property, PDR Project 104.

**III. DESCRIBE FISCAL IMPACTS (VARIATION TO BUDGET):**

**PROPOSED REVENUE:** n/a

**PROPOSED EXPENDITURE:**

**FUNDING SOURCE:** n/a

n/a

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

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**V. BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

In 2000, PDR along with CPW, through the Habitat Partnership Program, awarded funding to YVLT to assist with the purchase of a conservation easement on a 325-acre tract of land known as the Wilhem property, PDR 104. In 2011 Rick Wilhelm purchased the conserved property from his mother's estate. The conserved property is adjacent to Mr. Wilhelm 35-acre residence.

**VI. LEGAL ISSUES:**

All documentation has been reviewed by the County Attorney's Office.

**VII. CONFLICTS OR ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES:**

**VIII. SUMMARY AND OTHER OPTIONS:**