



ROUTT COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA COMMUNICATION FORM

ITEM DATE: 01/10/2023	ITEM TIME: 10:05
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FROM:	Caroline McClenahan, Grant Administrator
TODAY'S DATE:	01/03/2023
AGENDA TITLE:	Building Resilient Economies in Coal Communities (BRECC) / Coal Communities Action Challenge

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I. DESCRIBE THE REQUEST OR ISSUE:

Routt County would like to submit an application to the BRECC Challenge on behalf of the Northwest Colorado Development Council (NWCDC). The BRECC Challenge is a 12-month program which provides consultation and capacity building support to cross-sector teams representing coal communities with the eventual goal of developing a specialized economic diversification plan. This application is for **technical assistance** only, no financial support will be awarded, if selected. NACO estimates that up to 15 community teams will be competitively selected through this process. Teams will be announced in mid-February with the kick-off webinar taking place shortly thereafter. BCC support of this application is requested.

II. RECOMMENDED ACTION *(motion)*:

Motion to approve the BRECC Community Action Challenge application for technical assistance to the NWCDC.

III. DESCRIBE FISCAL IMPACTS (VARIATION TO BUDGET):

PROPOSED REVENUE <i>(if applicable)</i>: N/A
CURRENT BUDGETED AMOUNT:
PROPOSED EXPENDITURE:
FUNDING SOURCE:
SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET NEEDED:

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



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V. BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Each BRECC “team” is comprised of 3 cross-sector community members with a minimum of one member being a government official (Commissioner Redmond). Christina Oaxley from CDLE and Sasha Nelson from CNCC are the other two team members. During a call with NACO, we were advised to really hone in on one focus area for the technical assistance. The team agreed that this focus area should be the energy transition –molten salt, nuclear, etc. as well as the impacts to the workforce. Alongside this focus area, the team wants some support sourcing relevant funding streams to aid the region with its transition.

I volunteered to be the point of contact for the application. The time commitment for this program is:

- Kickoff webinar in February
- Willing to receive 12 months of one-on-one coaching
- Attend quarterly virtual learning series
- Network with other selected coal communities
- Participate in in-person capstone event (travel costs covered for up to two people)

VI. LEGAL ISSUES:

VII. CONFLICTS OR ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES:

VIII. SUMMARY AND OTHER OPTIONS:

IX. LIST OF ATTACHMENTS (*signatures needed*: wet, digital, Resolution Processed by BCC)

BRECC Application draft