

Las Animas County



Board of County Commissioners

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Resolution 23-022

A RESOLUTION OPPOSING A CHANGE TO THE SOUTH CENTRAL AND SOUTHEASTERN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING REGION BOUNDARIES.

WHEREAS, the Las Animas County Commissioners' responsibilities include the health, safety, and welfare of the residents of Las Animas County; and

WHEREAS, Las Animas County is a member of the South Central Transportation Planning Region (TPR); and

WHEREAS the Colorado Department of Transportation initiated legislation for the 2023 General Assembly to review the TPR boundaries; and

WHEREAS, the legislation passed creating a process for reviewing the TPR boundaries; and,

WHEREAS, 2 CCR 601-22 Section 2.02.1 specifically identifies the conditions which must be met for requesting changes to TPR boundaries; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.02.1.2 states "A statement of justification for the change considering transportation commonalities."; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.02.1.3 states "A copy of the resolution stating the concurrence of the affected Regional Planning Commission."; and

WHEREAS, The Las Animas County Commissioners feel that any change to the TPR boundary for the South Central and South East TPRs will be detrimental to the planning process that has been in place for over 25 years; and

WHEREAS, there appears to be no benefit to the South Central and South East TPRs in support of combining while another area of the State gains a vote on the Statewide Transportation Advisory Committee; and

WHEREAS, repeated objections from representatives from both South Central and South East TPRs have been voiced to the CDOT representatives regarding the proposed boundary changes.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Las Animas County Colorado that the proposed change in boundaries of the South Central TPR is hereby opposed;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners that copies of this resolution be sent to the Transportation Commission, CDOT Headquarters, and the Governor of the State of Colorado.

This Resolution, upon motion made and seconded, and an affirmative vote was adopted on this 17th day of October 2023.

By Order of the Board of County Commissioners of Las Animas County, Colorado


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ATTEST:


Karrie L. Apple, Las Animas County Clerk and Recorder