

**RESOLUTION NO. 2023-21**

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

STATE OF COLORADO    )  
  ) ss.  
County of Bent            )

At a Regular Meeting of the Board of County Commissioners for Bent County, Colorado, held at the Courthouse in Las Animas, Colorado, on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of October, A.D., 2023, there were present:



Jean Sykes,	Chairwoman
Kim MacDonnell,	Commissioner
Alan Stump,	Commissioner
Lynda G. Moss,	Clerk to the Board

WHEREAS, the Bent County Commissioners responsibilities include the health, safety and welfare of the residents of Bent County; and

WHEREAS, Bent County is a member of the Southeast 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 2.02.1.3 states “A statement of justification for the change considering transportation commonalities.”; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.02.1.4 states “A copy of the resolution stating the concurrence of the affected Regional Planning Commission.”; and

WHEREAS, The Bent County Commissioners believe that any change to the TPR boundary for the South Central and Southeast 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 Southeast 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 Southeast TPRs have been voiced to CDOT representatives regarding the proposed boundary changes.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Bent County Colorado that the proposed change in boundaries of the South Central and Southeast TPRs 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.

INTRODUCED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED ON THE 26th DAY OF OCTOBER, 2023.

ATTEST:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF  
BENT COUNTY, STATE OF COLORADO:



*Lynda G. Moss*

Lynda G. Moss,  
Bent County Clerk

*Jean Sykes*

Jean Sykes, Chairwoman

*Kim MacDonnell*

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