

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-24

A RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING THE BALANCE OF COUNTY LIVESTOCK LOSS AUTHORITY FUNDING FROM SIERRA COUNTY TO CATRON COUNTY FOLLOWING THE AMENDMENT OF THE JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Sierra County met in a duly noticed, regular Commission meeting on March 18, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. in the Sierra County Administration Building, 1712 North Date Street, Truth or Consequences, NM 87901; and,

WHEREAS, Sierra County, Catron County, and Socorro County (collectively, "Counties") entered into a Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) under the authority of the Joint Powers Act, NMSA 1978, Sections 11-1-1 et seq., to establish a County Livestock Loss Authority (CLLA) to address economic impacts arising from the implementation of the Mexican Grey Wolf Recovery Program (MGWRP); and,

WHEREAS, on February 28, 2025, the Department of Finance and Administration (DFA) has approved an amendment to the JPA, shifting fiscal agent responsibility for the CLLA from Sierra County to Catron County; and,

WHEREAS, the amended JPA divests Sierra County of the authority and responsibility to serve as fiscal agent for the CLLA, and vests that authority exclusively in Catron County; and,

WHEREAS, in furtherance of the shift in fiscal agent responsibility, Sierra County seeks to transfer the remaining balance of CLLA funding to Catron County to ensure the continued administration of the program and the processing of outstanding and future CLLA claims; and,

WHEREAS, Sierra County will comply with all applicable provisions of the Joint Powers Agreement, the Joint Powers Act, NMSA 1978, Sections 11-1-1 et seq., and any directives from the DFA in effectuating this transfer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners of Sierra County hereby authorizes the transfer the remaining CLLA funds under Sierra County's administration to Catron County, in accordance with the amended Joint Powers Agreement and DFA approval; and, **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the Board of County Commissioners of Sierra County directs County staff to take all necessary actions to facilitate the orderly and immediate transition of fiscal responsibilities to Catron County.

APPROVED, ADOPTED, AND PASSED on this 18th day of March, 2025.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SIERRA COUNTY

Travis Day, Chairman

Vice-Chairman James Paxon.

Hank Hopkins, Commissioner

Attest:

Amy Whitehead, County Clerk