

Resolution No. R24-3

October 2, 2024

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE  
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING  
BETWEEN BOX ELDER COUNTY, CACHE COUNTY,  
RICH COUNTY, BEAR RIVER HEALTH DEPARTMENT  
AND BEAR RIVER MENTAL HEALTH, INC.

WHEREAS, the Parties participate and assist in providing health, mental health and substance abuse treatment services and assistance to the residents of the Counties; and

WHEREAS, the health and wellbeing of the residents and the availability of core services is a priority of all Parties; and

WHEREAS, the existing structure of the multicounty local health department and separate District 1 Mental Health Authority do not adequately meet the requirements of the current State of Utah Local Health Department Act (§ 26A-1); and

WHEREAS, the Counties desire to comply with all of the requirements of the Utah Local Health Department Act, and improve efficiencies in the oversight and operation of the local health department, substance abuse authority, and mental health authority; and

WHEREAS, the Parties desire to continue the existing partnerships in providing these core services to County residents in an effort to maintain service levels, and minimize disruption during the restructuring period and into the foreseeable future; and

WHEREAS, in order to meet the requirements of the Utah Local Health Department Act, and to maintain current service levels and availability of assistance to county residents, the Parties have agreed that they should work cooperatively together and jointly to restructure the existing Bear River Health Department, and District 1 Mental Health Authority to create a multicounty united local health department that will act as the Counties health department, mental health authority and substance abuse authority; and

WHEREAS, this Commission determines that entering this Memorandum of Understanding is in the best interests of the people of Rich County.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, the Rich County Board of Commissioners authorizes the approval of the Memorandum of Understanding (attached).

This resolution shall be effective on the date it is adopted.

APPROVED and signed this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of October, 2024.

BOARD OF RICH COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Simeon W. Weston  
Sim Weston, Chairman

ATTEST:

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Rich County Clerk

Commissioner Bill Cox voted yes

Commissioner Jonathan Lee voted yes

Commissioner Simeon Weston voted yes