



RESOLUTION NO. 2025-91

DELEGATING THE AUTHORITY TO MAKE THE APPOINTMENT OF THE LIVESTOCK PRODUCER MEMBER AND NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION MEMBER OF THE COUNTY LIVESTOCK LOSS AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Sierra County met in a duly noticed, regular Commission meeting on December 16, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. in the Sierra County Administration Building, 1712 North Date Street, Truth or Consequences, NM 87901; and,

WHEREAS, the County Livestock Loss Authority (CLLA) was established on July 18, 2022 by the Boards of County Commissioners of Catron, Sierra, and Socorro County with the approval of a Joint Powers Agreement (JPA), which was subsequently amended on February 28, 2025; and,

WHEREAS, the CLLA was created to ameliorate the disproportionate impacts of the Mexican Wolf Recovery Program on the region and replaced the Mexican Wolf/Livestock Coexistence Council for processing livestock producer claims for Mexican wolf depredations and presence; and,

WHEREAS, the founding Counties have charged the CLLA with making compensation to livestock producers on a more timely basis and to compensate them more fully for the losses they sustain due to Mexican wolf depredations and presence; and,

WHEREAS, the section 4.1 of the JPA provides that "[t]he activities of the CLLA shall be governed by a five (5) member Board consisting of one representative appointed by each of the participating parties, and one livestock producer in the impacted area and one non-governmental organization (NGO) to be selected by the three participating Counties;" and,

WHEREAS, the appointments of the current Livestock and NGO representatives have expired per the terms of their appointment.

WHEREAS, this Board has appointed Jim Paxon as Sierra County's representative to the CLLA and he has personal knowledge of the operational needs of the organization.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners delegates its authority to Jim Paxon to nominate and select the County's choice for NGO and livestock producer representatives to the CLLA.

PASSED, ADOPTED, AND APPROVED this 16th day of December 2025 by the Board of County Commissioners.

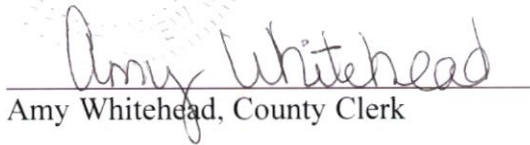
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SIERRA COUNTY


James Paxon, Chairman


Hank Hopkins, Vice-Chair


Sandy Jones, Commissioner

Attest:


Amy Whitehead, County Clerk

