

**PARK COUNTY, COLORADO
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
RESOLUTION ____ - ____**

A RESOLUTION RELATED TO THE PARK COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD ON THE
ENVIRONMENT ("ABE")

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Park County (BOCC herein), has for the purposes of implementing the policies contained in the Local Government Land Use Control Enabling Act of 1974, C.R.S. 29-20-104, as amended; and NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That resolution No. 87-29,87-34, 94-43 and 19-20 are hereby repealed and reenacted as follows:

1. Mission Statement:

The mission of the Park County Advisory Board on the Environment (ABE) is to advise on issues that influence the environment. Such issues may include, air, water, wildlife, lands and minerals. ABE will help to facilitate public and other stakeholder dialogue on specific issues and make factual recommendations to the Park County Planning Commission, Board of Adjustments, other County Agencies and the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) for their policy decision-making.

2. ABE will research and provide input/recommendations regarding the Park County Regulation authority of:

- a. development and activities in hazardous areas.
- b. protection of lands from activities which would cause immediate or foreseeable danger to significant wildlife habitat and would endanger wildlife species.
- c. the location of activities and development which may result in significant changes in population density.
- d. the use of land, on the basis of environmental impact thereof.
- e. the use of land as to provide for the planned and orderly development of use of land and protection of the environment.
- f. development and activities that may detrimentally impact water and air quality.

3. All applications submitted to Park County for Development including but not limited to Special Use Permits (SUP), Conditional Use Permits (CUP) Planned Unit Developments (PUD), 1041's, marijuana related businesses, rezoning or subdivisions pursuant to Park County's Land Use Regulations shall be referred to ABE for comment.

4. The Advisory Board on the Environment (ABE), shall be composed of seven members serving staggered terms, who shall be appointed by the BOCC, and shall serve at their pleasure. Of the seven member at least one will have expertise in water, agriculture, business and wildlife (including Habitat). The Commissioners may appoint up to two (2) alternate members to serve in the place of any regular appointed committee member of ABE. Said alternate members shall serve in the place and stead of any of the regular members appointed by the said Commissioners whenever said regular member should be absent from a meeting of ABE and when so serving shall have the same powers and duties as a regular ABE member.

5. The duties and functions of the ABE shall be:

a. To develop and recommend actions, including policies, rules and regulations to foster improvements of environmental quality and conservation while keeping in mind the social wellbeing, economic stability, health quality and other good of Park County.

b. To advise and make recommendations to the Park County BOCC, the Planning Commission, the Board of Adjustments, and other County Agencies on actions regarding land use decisions.

c. To recommend investigations, studies, surveys, research and analysis relating to ecological systems and environmental quality which will serve to assist the Planning Commission and the BOCC in the formulation of policies and decisions related to the environment.

d. To assist in the review of Environment Impact Statements and Environmental Assessments by other government agencies on proposed development within Park County including other documents related to the environment and provide the results of such review to the BOCC, the Planning Commission and other appropriate Agencies.

e. To help facilitate outreach efforts designed to communicate with residents of Park County, non-resident property owners and other stakeholders on issues related to the environment. To communicate the results to the BOCC and Planning Commission.

f. To assist in the review of amendments and/or revisions to the Park County "Land Use Regulations" and the "Strategic Master Plan" as the documents relate to the environment and provide the results to the BOCC and Planning Commission.

6. An initiated project is defined as a project initiated by a private person, corporation, partnership or other business for development on privately owned land. The projects which are initiated and subject to comment, include but are not limited to

a. amendments to zoning regulations.

b. proposed new subdivisions.

c. revisions to existing subdivision plats.

d. water diversions.

e. proposed sewage treatment facilities or systems.

f. a publicly initiated project is defined as a project initiated by a public entity, government entity for development on publicly owned land. Such as but not limited to:

- Oil and Gas exploration and development
- Mining activities; including in situ mining

g. Conditional Use Permit, Special Use Permit, Planned Unit Developments and 1041 permit applications.

NOTE: Administrative actions are exempt.

7. When a review has been conducted by ABE, there shall be a written response to the appropriate agency respecting timeframes for comment as applicable. Such response shall be set forth in detail regarding the environmental issues which ABE believes should be further addressed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE PARK COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS THAT THE RESOLUTION RELATED TO THE PARK COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD ON THE ENVIRONMENT IS APPROVED.

Moved, seconded, and approved this _____ day of _____, 2022

Park County Board of County Commissioners

Richard Elsner, Chairperson