



# FIVE COUNTY NEWS FROM 'R' VIEW

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## Five County to Sponsor Funding Workshop

The Five County Association of Governments is sponsoring a workshop for jurisdictions in the Five County district to assist in identification of funding sources for various projects. A representative from each community and county is encouraged to attend.

Experts from various agencies will provide presentations on specific types of funding available to local jurisdictions throughout the Five County district. Agencies invited to participate include: Community Impact Board (CIB); USDA Rural Development; Division of Drinking Water; Division of Water Quality; Division of Water Resources; and Division of Housing and Community Development.

Each agency's presentation will be approximately 15 minutes, with a short question and answer period to follow. After the presentations, tables will be provided in the foyer and throughout the office where jurisdictions can meet individually with participating agencies to discuss specific projects. Information packets and application materials will also be available.

The workshop is scheduled as follows:

**Friday, April 22, 2005, 1:00 p.m.**  
**Five County Association of Governments**  
**Conference Room**  
**1070 West 1600 South, Building B**  
**St. George, Utah**

Because of limited seating in the conference room, we are asking that jurisdictions send only one representative to the workshop. Please RSVP your attendance by Friday, April 15th to Diane Lamoreaux at (435) 673-3548 or [dlamoreaux@fcaog.state.ut.us](mailto:dlamoreaux@fcaog.state.ut.us)

## Senate Bill 60

Senate Bill 60 was passed by the 2005 General Session of the Utah Legislature and signed into law March 18th by Governor Huntsman. SB60 makes many changes to Utah's land use management statutes. The law takes effect on

May 2, 2005 and was the result of a year-long process in which many interests, i.e. the Utah Association of Counties, Utah League of Cities and Towns, home builders associations, State Legislators, etc. worked to reach consensus on the changes.

A seminar on SB60, sponsored by the Utah Chapter of the American Planning Association in conjunction with the Utah Local Governments Trust, was held for land use planners from across Utah on March 23rd in North Salt Lake. FCAOG staff facilitated video recording of the training session and question & answer session in order to make the workshop session available to our communities and counties here in southwest Utah. Two CD-ROM discs containing the 2 hour seminar, playable on most Windows based PC with speakers, has been prepared. If you are interested in obtaining a set, please contact Gary Zabriskie, Associate Planner at the FCAOG, (435)673-3548, or e-mail [gzabriskie@fcaog.state.ut.us](mailto:gzabriskie@fcaog.state.ut.us). A printed copy of the seminar's PowerPoint presentation will also be provided.

The Utah League of Cities and Towns (ULCT) has informed us that they will be providing a "process chart" with information and action recommendations for SB60 to its member communities. Mr. Craig M. Call, Utah's Property Rights Ombudsman, has also prepared a short primer on SB60 which can be obtained by contacting Mr. Call at (801) 859-2255 or e-mailing him at [utahlanduse@aol.com](mailto:utahlanduse@aol.com)

The FCAOG Community and Economic Development Division staff is becoming versed in the provisions of this 192 page bill to assist our local governments in implementing its requirements.

The following is but a partial list of the effects of the law:

- The Zoning Ordinance is now referenced as "Land Use Ordinance";
- References to the Board of Adjustment and other appeals boards is now referred to as an "appeal authority";
- Replaces references to specific boards, officials and commissions with references to a "land use authority";
- Specifically enables the use of "development agreements" by local governments;
- Consolidates definitions into a revised section of the statute;

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- Makes numerous changes in "public notice" requirements for land use actions;
- Affects the composition, authority and roles of the Planning Commission;
- Specifies land use procedures and the delegation of power to act on a land use application;
- Specifies additional requirements in a jurisdiction's General Plan;
- Provides for elimination of minimum size of an area to be zoned and minimum number of lots;
- Specifies conditions of zoning of land annexed into a municipality;
- Clarifies approvals of conditional use permits;
- Permits the imposition of the location of streets on landowners in the process of development, under specific conditions;
- Provides guidelines for imposing exactions on development consistent with U.S. Supreme Court rulings;
- Clarifies vested development rights;
- Requires local governments to comply with its own ordinances;
- Establishes guidelines for non-conforming buildings and uses;
- Sets conditions for subdivision approvals;
- Establishes local appeals procedures and appeals authorities;
- Specifies District Court review processes.

As you can see, there are quite a number of effects of this legislation. It is recommended that you contact the Utah League of Cities and Towns or the Utah Association of Counties for specific information regarding what your community or county needs to be doing to be ready for the effective date of this law. (Gary Zabriskie)

### Staff Spotlights:



Nancy Seibert, has been named Foster Grandparent Program Coordinator, assuming responsibility for recruiting, training and placement of nearly 30 senior men and women in service to at-risk children and youth in Washington and Kane counties. The FGP coordinator will work part-time, generally in the office Monday, Tuesday and in the morning on Wednesday.

This native-Californian and her husband Heinz moved to Ivins in November, 2003 to enjoy retirement and to pursue her interest in hiking, photography and Native American history in the breathtakingly beautiful southern Utah terrain. Nancy was formerly employed by Trans World/American Airlines at LAX and has enjoyed decades of travel as a result. A favorite destination remains Germany where her husband's family still lives. An amateur photographer, cook, quilter and lifelong learner, Nancy keeps busy exploring her new surroundings and loves the wide variety of activities available in her new neighborhood. In this, her first experience with volunteers,

she is getting to know the names and faces of those who make a difference everyday in the lives of children and youth!



Sandy Van Asch, an AmeriCorps\*VISTA member, will coordinate the Volunteer Center's Court-ordered Community Service Program in her hometown of Hurricane, Utah. In this national service assignment, Sandy will work closely with offenders assigned by the Hurricane Justice Court to community service in lieu of incarceration.

Sandy, a California native and her husband Ronny, born in Indonesia and a U.S. citizen since 1999, met in southern California, lived two of their 36 years together in Holland and moved to Hurricane in 2001. After six years in the San Francisco Bay area, she and her husband were laid off almost immediately after the September 11th attack on America due to their company's need to downsize and decided to take advantage of a friend's job offer requiring the couple to relocate to SW Utah.

She has an Associate's Degree in Business Administration which she received alongside her son, who competed in their shared classes for highest GPA. Sandy is enthusiastic about her assignment and her association with the staff of the Volunteer Center, particularly Dennis Broad who has coordinated the countywide program for three years.



Jennifer Allen-Taylor joined the staff of the Volunteer Center of Washington County in September as an AmeriCorps member, recruiting youth volunteers and coordinating their involvement in the Washington County Youth Court. A 2002 graduate from Pine View High School and newly married (October 9) to Jarom Taylor, another

AmeriCorps member in the Youth Volunteer Corps of Washington County, Jenni had no background in national service when she applied. In short order, she gained enough background to serve as team leader for approximately 20 middle and high school students who hear cases each Wednesday from 4 - 6:30 of first time offenders who plead guilty of underage alcohol and tobacco use, truancy, shoplifting, bullying/fighting and other minor offenses. While attending Dixie State College, Jenni will serve as an AmeriCorps member for one year with an option to sign up for a second year at the Volunteer Center of Washington County.

## “Empowering Seniors: Strategies for Enhancing Health and Well-Being”

A Caregiver Conference will be held on Friday May 6, 2005 in the Festival Hall/Heritage Center located at 105 North 100 East, Cedar City, UT. The keynote speaker for this event will be Dr. G. Kim Rowland, Medical Director at the Valley View Medical Center, presenting an “Update on Medications and Supplements”.

Other sessions include: **1) Caregiving 101** - Kay P. Edwards, Ph.D., Emeritus Professor of Family Sciences, Brigham Young University; **2) Ten Ways to Maintain Your Brain** - Carrie Hill, Ph.D., Alzheimer’s Association, and **3) Resident Rights** - Chad McNiven, MPA, Utah State Long-Term Care Ombudsman.

Sponsors for the conference include: Five County Caregiver Support Program; Five County Senior Corps Programs; Health Insurance Information Program, State of Utah; Iron County Council on Aging; St. George Regional Office, Alzheimer’s Association of Utah.

Those interested in registering for the conference should contact the Alzheimer’s Association at 435-628-8656 or the Volunteer Center of Iron County at 435-867-8384. In addition, Five County Caregiver Support Program can assist with respite care for your loved one during the conference by calling Carolyn Moss by April 29th at 435-673-3548.

### Fourth Annual Rural Business Conference May 3-4, 2005

Hosted by Senator Bob Bennett and the Utah Rural Development Council.

Conference Venue:  
College of Eastern Utah  
451 East 400 North  
Price, Utah

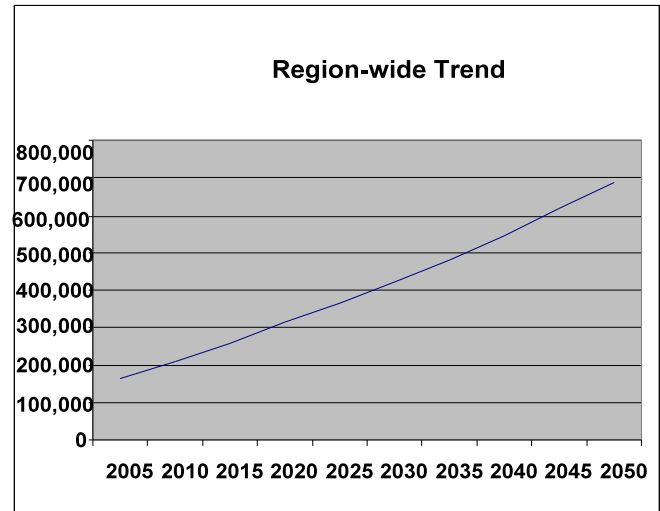
Keynote Speakers:  
Dr. Patrick M. Byrne, President of  
Overstock.com  
Governor Jon Huntsman, Jr.

For further information please contact: Bruce Richeson, 801-244-9452 or [info@ruralutah.com](mailto:info@ruralutah.com)

## Region-Wide Population Projections

Since the middle of January, FCAOG staff has been involved in working with each community and county in developing population projections. Initially, the Governor’s Office of Planning & Budget (GOPB) gave us population projections for each county for every year up to 2050. Our assignment and challenge was to create projections for each town or city in each county that did not exceed the county total provided by GOPB. To begin the process staff used formulas that GOPB has used in the past to develop city projections, realizing that these figures were only a beginning point for discussion. Staff then met with working groups in each county with representation from each community. The purpose of the meetings was to review the figures and make changes where possible to reflect conditions that local officials felt bear on projections.

These meetings were very productive and identified factors, such as faster growth rates, annexation practices, average household size, geologic & topographic restraints, employment forecasts, etc that influenced and adjusted the figures we began with, in some cases. Some of those changes increased the projections and others were decreased while there were a few that did not change.



This work will not only provide better projections on the short term, but will also provide an avenue to influence GOPB as they develop projections for each county.

This process repeated each year or every other year, depending on the schedule set by GOPB, will result in more accurate population projections. More accurate and timely planning processes, based on these projections, with better and more efficient use of resources available to each community in our region is a reachable goal. (Curt Hutchings)

## WEATHERIZATION CREW RECOGNITION

The Five County Weatherization crew received several awards at the Utah's 50,000 home celebration. Kirby Lambert received an award for 18 years of dedication to the Five County Weatherization program. Ferl Chamberlain received an award for outstanding work performance, and Todd Ille for outstanding furnace technician.



Doug Carlson recently attended the Central Region Weatherization Training Conference held in Austin, Texas where he received a special recognition award. One person from each state was presented \$100 and a

special plaque in recognition of their exemplary service to the Weatherization Program.

**CONGRATULATIONS GUYS!!**

Please submit articles to Diane Lamoreaux via e-mail (newsletter@fcaog.state.ut.us) or in writing to: P.O. Box 1550; St. George, Utah 84771-1550. For other information or services, please call (435) 673-3548 or visit our web site at: [www.fcaog.state.ut.us](http://www.fcaog.state.ut.us)

### ***Steering Committee Meeting Schedule***

**Wednesday, April 13, 2005 - 1:00 p.m.**  
Parowan Public Library - Meeting Room  
16 South Main Street; Parowan, UT

**Wednesday, May 11, 2005 - 1:00 p.m.**  
Panguitch City Library - Council Chambers  
25 South 200 East; Panguitch, UT

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P.O. Box 1550  
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