

## DOLORES COUNTY - COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACTION PLAN 2009

Project	Rank	Primary Partners	Available Resources	Expected Outcomes & Actions
1. <b>PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE:</b> Identify Alternative Energy Methods to Meet Rico Infrastructure Needs	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Empire Electric</li> <li>• Century Tel</li> <li>• Atmos Energy</li> <li>• Montezuma Water</li> <li>• Dove Creek</li> <li>• DCDC</li> <li>• Farmer's Telephone</li> <li>• San Miguel Power</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Geothermal</li> <li>• Private Contractors</li> <li>• State &amp; Federal grants</li> <li>• Utilities</li> <li>• Solar Research</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Utilize Rico Hot Spring for community heating</li> <li>• Develop less expensive methods for extending electrical lines.</li> <li>• Explore other energy options such as solar and wind.</li> <li>• Find methods to assist in cost sharing.</li> </ul>
2. <b>Public Infrastructure:</b> Develop Water / Irrigation Project for Dolores Water	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dolores Water Conservancy District</li> <li>• NRCS</li> <li>• CSU Extension Office</li> <li>• Region 9 EDD</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Water rights are available</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identify use for 600 acre feet of available irrigation water.</li> </ul>
3. <b>Public Infrastructure:</b> Revamp Sewer & Sanitation Systems in Dove Creek	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dove Creek</li> <li>• Dolores County</li> <li>• CSU Extension Office</li> <li>• DoLA</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grants</li> <li>• Local funds</li> <li>• County</li> <li>• Contractor</li> <li>• CSU Extension</li> <li>• NWCCOG</li> <li>• USDA</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue plans to expand solid waste transfer station.</li> <li>• Expanded services outside the Town of Dove Creek.</li> </ul>
4. <b>Public Infrastructure:</b> Improvement of Water System in Rico	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dept. of Local Affairs</li> <li>• Health Department</li> <li>• USDA</li> <li>• EPA</li> <li>• Town of Rico</li> <li>• US Forest Service/BLM</li> <li>• Dolores and Montezuma Water Conservancy</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dept. of Local Affairs</li> <li>• Health Dept. grants</li> <li>• USDA</li> <li>• EPA</li> <li>• Increase water fees</li> <li>• Town</li> <li>• County</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increase in quality and quantity of water services that ensures compliance with State Health Regulations by 2011.</li> <li>• Possible feasibility, exploration and development of geothermal resources to aid in infrastructure and economic needs of the Rico region.</li> </ul>

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5. <b>Public Infrastructure:</b> Update Address System in County	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dolores County</li> <li>• Region 9 EDD</li> <li>• DOLA</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• County</li> <li>• Office of Community Services GIS Project</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New address system in Dove Creek and surrounding area compatible with GPS mapping for easier emergency response and deliveries.</li> </ul>
6. <b>Transportation:</b> Expand the Region's Public Transit Services	Med	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Towns</li> <li>• Dolores County</li> <li>• SW Regional Transportation Planning Commission</li> <li>• CDOT</li> <li>• San Miguel County</li> <li>• Montezuma County</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Region 9 EDD</li> <li>• CDOT</li> <li>• County</li> <li>• Towns</li> <li>• SWRPC</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Public transportation for residents and visitors, in addition to senior bus.</li> <li>• Create a public transit service that adequately serves the needs of the region.</li> <li>• Implement regional transit feasibility recommendations.</li> </ul>
7. <b>Transportation:</b> Complete Priority Intersection Projects	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CDOT</li> <li>• Regional Transportation Planning Commission</li> <li>• Towns</li> <li>• Dolores County</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• State, federal and local funding</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Complete safety improvements to US 491 at CR M.</li> <li>• Complete improvements to US 491 at CR J.</li> </ul>
8. <b>Transportation:</b> Maintain and Improve all Roads	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Southwest Transportation Planning Commission</li> <li>• CDOT</li> <li>• County, Towns</li> <li>• Region 9 EDD</li> <li>• DCDC</li> <li>• San Juan BioEnergy</li> <li>• Atlantic Richfield Company</li> <li>• Colorado Dept of Public Health</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CDOT</li> <li>• DoLA- Energy Impact</li> <li>• County</li> <li>• Towns</li> <li>• ARCO</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A highway system that can safely and efficiently support the Region's growing population and highway traffic.</li> <li>• Adequately maintained roadways.</li> <li>• Pave currently unpaved roads.</li> <li>• Sidewalks on HWY 491 and Main Street in Dove Creek.</li> <li>• Pave additional high use streets to minimize air pollution &amp; lead contamination in Rico.</li> <li>• Add stoplight in Dove Creek and access to DCDC Business Park.</li> <li>• Finalize funding agreement and maintenance plan for addressing Rico lead clean up in streets.</li> </ul>

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9. <b>Telecommunications:</b> Expand Broadband Fiber Optic Services	Med	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Towns</li> <li>• Region 9 EDD</li> <li>• Private telecommunications companies</li> <li>• Dolores County</li> <li>• DCDC</li> <li>• CSU Extension Office</li> <li>• State Multi-use network</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Internet providers</li> <li>• USDA</li> <li>• Private funding</li> <li>• Region 9 EDD</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increased service &amp; capacity.</li> <li>• Attract telecommuters.</li> <li>• Increase ability for radio signals to be received and specifically serve Rico population to connect them to the regional population.</li> </ul>
10. <b>Arts &amp; Culture:</b> Develop a Fine Arts Center in Dove Creek	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dove Creek School Dist.</li> <li>• Recreation Dept.</li> <li>• Chamber of Commerce</li> <li>• Dove Creek</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grants</li> <li>• Local funds</li> <li>• DCDC</li> <li>• DCTV</li> <li>• Region EDD</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Evaluate feasibility and measure level of public support for arts facility.</li> </ul>
11. <b>Arts and Culture:</b> Support & Promote Local Theatre and Orchestra	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• School District &amp; Towns</li> <li>• Dove Creek School Dist.</li> <li>• Chamber</li> <li>• DCDC</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Community Center</li> <li>• High School</li> <li>• DCTV</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Promote public performances.</li> <li>• Support &amp; publicize high school music program.</li> </ul>
12. <b>SERVICES:</b> Increase Accessibility of County Services/Social Services to Rico Residents	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dolores County</li> <li>• Town of Rico</li> <li>• Private care providers</li> <li>• Montezuma County</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• County budget/Commissioners</li> <li>• High Speed Internet</li> <li>• Montezuma County</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increasing accessibility to county information, services and staff to assist residents from West Fork to Rico with county service and/or social service needs.</li> <li>• Setup High Speed internet in public buildings</li> </ul>
13. <b>Education:</b> Maintain Quality Preschool Program	Med	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dove's Nest</li> <li>• County/Dove Creek/Rico</li> <li>• School Districts</li> <li>• Region 9 EDD</li> <li>• CSU Extension Office</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dove's Nest Building</li> <li>• Mill levy – quality of life initiative</li> <li>• USDA</li> <li>• School Districts</li> <li>• State &amp; federal funding</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide high quality affordable childcare focused on early childhood education.</li> <li>• Build on existing program, including Headstart.</li> </ul>

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14. <b>Education:</b> Provide Continuing Education Classes & Adult Education Opportunities	Med	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Small Business Development Center</li> <li>• Fort Lewis College</li> <li>• CSU Extension Office</li> <li>• DCDC</li> <li>• Area education centers and colleges</li> <li>• Area nonprofits</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Abundance of local expertise</li> <li>• CSU Extension</li> <li>• Existing DCTV station</li> <li>• Internet</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide business and EMT classes.</li> <li>• Utilization of local expertise.</li> <li>• Establishment of Dove Creek Adult Education Program.</li> <li>• Internet</li> </ul>
15. <b>Education:</b> Expansion of Public School Building in Rico	Med	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dolores County School District SE-j2</li> <li>• Town of Rico</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• County school district tax base</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increase the size of the Rico School to account for increase in preschool and elementary students.</li> </ul>
16. <b>Fire Protection:</b> Upgrade Volunteer Fire Department Equipment & Facilities	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dove Creek Volunteer Fire Dept.</li> <li>• Rico Volunteer Fire Dept.</li> <li>• Towns</li> <li>• County</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• USDA</li> <li>• EMS grant</li> <li>• Towns</li> <li>• County</li> <li>• DOLA</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Purchase extrication and training equipment.</li> <li>• Preserve natural resources and forest.</li> <li>• Adequate facilities &amp; equipment for increasing demand.</li> </ul>
17. <b>Health &amp; Human Services:</b> Maintain and Support the Dove Creek Community Clinic	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Health Clinic Board</li> <li>• County/Town</li> <li>• DCDC</li> <li>• Region 9 EDD</li> <li>• DOLA</li> <li>• Public Health Services</li> <li>• CSU Extension Office</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clinic building expanded</li> <li>• EZ Project designation</li> <li>• Grants from foundations</li> <li>• Local interest</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clinic will have adequate funding to provide comprehensive service.</li> <li>• Clinic will provide resources or referrals to dental services and specialists.</li> </ul>
18. <b>Health &amp; Human Services:</b> Provide Physician or Physician Assistant Services Locally	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Health Clinic Board</li> <li>• County/Town</li> <li>• Region 9 EDD</li> <li>• Federal Health Service</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• EZ Project designation</li> <li>• Federal funds</li> <li>• Local support</li> <li>• Clinic expansion will allow for office space</li> <li>• Medical services through internet</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secure adequate providers to offer services.</li> <li>• Increase access to pharmacy services.</li> <li>• Increase access to specialists.</li> <li>• Medical services through internet</li> </ul>

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19. <b>Health &amp; Human Services:</b> Upgrade Ambulance Equipment in Dove Creek	Med	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Town/County</li> <li>• VFW</li> <li>• Sheriff's Dept.</li> <li>• Fire Dept.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grants</li> <li>• Volunteers</li> <li>• USDA</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Improved local support and new equipment.</li> </ul>
20. <b>Health &amp; Human Services:</b> Construct New Senior Center/Community Center Facility in Dove Creek	Med	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Town</li> <li>• County</li> <li>• Citizens</li> <li>• Area Agency on Aging</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• County</li> <li>• USDA</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide seniors and community with a quality facility.</li> <li>• Continue to provide senior lunches.</li> <li>• Provide meeting space for community workshops and events.</li> </ul>
21. <b>Health &amp; Human Services:</b> Increased Wellness Benefits for West Fork/Rico Residents	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Area Agency on Aging</li> <li>• Dolores County and/Montezuma County Health Dept.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• USDA</li> <li>• County Health nurses</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• More accessibility to county level nurses and health prevention services in West Fork/Rico area.</li> </ul>
22. <b>Land Use:</b> Natural Heritage Program Biodiversity/ Ecosystem Mapping	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Colorado Natural Heritage Program</li> <li>• Southwest Land Alliance</li> <li>• County</li> <li>• San Juan RC &amp; D</li> <li>• Nature Conservancy</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forest Service/BLM</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identify, inventory and map plants, animal habitats &amp; unique natural features in the county.</li> </ul>

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<b>23. Public/Private Lands:</b> Maintain Sustainability of Ponderosa Pine and Pinon Forest	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Colorado State Univ.</li> <li>• Colorado State Forest Service</li> <li>• US Forest Service/BLM</li> <li>• Office of Community Services – FLC</li> <li>• Montezuma County Federal Lands Program</li> <li>• State Forestry</li> <li>• Fire Protection Districts</li> <li>• Timber Industry</li> <li>• Ute Mountain Ute Tribe</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• County Comprehensive Plan</li> <li>• National Fire Plan funds</li> <li>• Fire hazard mitigation contractors</li> <li>• USDA if private land</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fire risk mapping completed.</li> <li>• Fire risk is reduced and timber products industry is strengthened</li> <li>• Improve Forest health.</li> <li>• Control Pine Beetle infestation.</li> <li>• Reduce risk to life and property and protect watershed/ community water supplies.</li> <li>• Defensible space education resulting in defensible space created around residences.</li> </ul>
<b>24. Public Lands:</b> Upgrade Dolores/Norwood Road	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• US Forest Service/BLM</li> <li>• Dolores County</li> <li>• Montezuma County</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• US Forest Service/BLM</li> <li>• Federal Highway Admin.</li> <li>• Cooperative agreement between Forest Service and area Counties.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Upgrade an additional six miles of road.</li> </ul>
<b>25. Public Lands:</b> Maintain Public Land Management Relationships within Dolores District	Med	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Town of Rico</li> <li>• US Forest Service/BLM</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Town</li> <li>• US Forest Service/BLM</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Keep ongoing relations and work with public lands offices that preserve the San Juan National Forest.</li> <li>• Active participation in current MOU.</li> <li>• Establish additional MOUs as needed.</li> </ul>
<b>26. Park &amp; Recreation:</b> Develop a Roller Skating Rink & BMX Park in Dove Creek	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• County</li> <li>• Dove Creek</li> <li>• Rec. Dept.</li> <li>• Dove Creek School Dist.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rec. Dept.</li> <li>• Town</li> <li>• County</li> <li>• DoLA</li> <li>• GoCO</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Improved/developed parks geared toward youth activities.</li> </ul>

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<b>27. Parks &amp; Recreation:</b> Build Swimming Pool at Dove Creek Community Center	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dove Creek</li> <li>• Dolores County</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Town</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Improve recreational opportunities.</li> </ul>
<b>28. Parks &amp; Recreation:</b> Develop Campground & Designated Trails in Rico	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GoCO</li> <li>• Property Owners</li> <li>• Town</li> <li>• Rico Alpine Society</li> <li>• Dolores District Office</li> <li>• San Juan Public Lands</li> <li>• Third party owners</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GoCO</li> <li>• Fishing is Fun</li> <li>• EPA sustainable community and wetland protection programs</li> <li>• Rico Alpine Society</li> <li>• Town</li> <li>• DoLA</li> <li>• US Forest Service/BLM</li> <li>• Donations – including land</li> <li>• Land Use Code land dedication requirements</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Complete revegetation of Jones Park.</li> <li>• Promote potential winter recreational economy.</li> <li>• Aid in reducing satellite camping and pollution of the river.</li> <li>• Monitoring utilization of trail and campground areas.</li> <li>• Establishment of foot trails and passive recreation trails along river corridor.</li> </ul>
<b>29. Parks &amp; Recreation:</b> Develop and Promote Trail System in Dove Creek	Med	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• BLM</li> <li>• Forest Service</li> <li>• County</li> <li>• Dove Creek</li> <li>• Chamber</li> <li>• Trail committees</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dove Creek</li> <li>• County</li> <li>• Forest Service</li> <li>• DoLA</li> <li>• GoCO</li> <li>• BLM</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Complete walking trail around baseball park.</li> <li>• Develop additional jogging, bike and leisure paths that do not interfere with traffic and utilize the natural resources the area has to offer.</li> </ul>
<b>30. Public Safety:</b> Full-time Law Enforcement Presence in Rico	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Town of Rico</li> <li>• Area law enforcement</li> <li>• Dolores County</li> <li>• Dolores Sheriff's Dept.</li> <li>• San Miguel Sheriff's Dept.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Town</li> <li>• Dolores County</li> <li>• Dolores Sheriff's Dept.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide local law enforcement professional in community.</li> <li>• Better enforcement of laws &amp; reduce crime.</li> <li>• An agreement was arranged with Dolores County and the Town of Rico for the establishment of Dolores County sheriff presence on a more regular basis in the Rico area.</li> </ul>

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<b>31. Public Safety:</b> Complete Pre Disaster Mitigation Plan for County and Towns	Med	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• County</li> <li>• Towns</li> <li>• Community of Dunton</li> <li>• Colorado State Forest Service</li> <li>• US Forest Service</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• FEMA</li> <li>• Homeland Security</li> <li>• Colorado Disaster Preparedness</li> <li>• US Forest Service</li> <li>• Colorado State Forest Service</li> <li>• Land owners</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Implement the Dolores County plan approved by FEMA &amp; the State of Colorado.</li> <li>• Reduce the risk to life and property loss from listed hazards in the county such as fire, avalanche, and flood.</li> </ul>
<b>32. Historic Preservation:</b> Preserve and Utilize Rico's Historic Assets	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rico Historical Society</li> <li>• State Historical Society</li> <li>• Property owners</li> <li>• Town of Rico</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• State Historical Preservation Grants</li> <li>• Federal Historical restoration grants</li> <li>• Rico Historic Society funds</li> <li>• Donations</li> <li>• CDPHE/ARCO</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increase number of local historic designations.</li> <li>• Pursue Historic Residential District.</li> <li>• Repair and remodel interior of Town Hall Courthouse Building (Phase III of remodel).</li> <li>• Increased capacity of Historic Society to facilitate preservation projects.</li> </ul>
<b>33. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Business Recruitment</b> Promote & Market County as Location for New Business Expansion	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dove Creek</li> <li>• Rico</li> <li>• DCDC</li> <li>• Region 9 EDD</li> <li>• Rico Downtown Dev. Assoc.</li> <li>• County</li> <li>• CSU Extension</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Available promotional material</li> <li>• Affordable land</li> <li>• Available utilities</li> <li>• EDA</li> <li>• DoLA</li> <li>• DCDC</li> <li>• CSU Extension</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Obtain small manufacturing/ relocation in Dove Creek.</li> <li>• Aid in improving identity of Rico from post mining town to great place for families</li> <li>• Support of the Rico DDA in downtown development interests.</li> </ul>
<b>34. Business Recruitment:</b> Recruit New Businesses for Weber Business Park	Med	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dove Creek</li> <li>• County</li> <li>• DCDC</li> <li>• Region 9 EDD</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DCDC</li> <li>• CSU Extension</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide support businesses for San Juan Bio-energy.</li> <li>• Create job opportunities in area.</li> </ul>

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<p>35. <b>Business Recruitment:</b> Maintain and Administer the Southwest Colorado Enterprise Zone Boundaries and Marketing Plan</p>	NR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Region 9 EDD</li> <li>• Area Accountants</li> <li>• Local Businesses</li> <li>• DCDC</li> <li>• Colorado Office of Economic Development</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Colorado Economic Development Commission</li> <li>• OEDIT -- State Enterprise Zone Coordinator</li> <li>• Economic Development Administration (EDA) Planning and Technical Assistance</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide incentives for business expansion and relocation through EZ tax credits.</li> <li>• Utilize newly created Rico Downtown Development Authority as a resource for local businesses.</li> </ul>
<p>36. <b>Business Expansion &amp; Retention:</b> Expand and Retain Local Businesses</p>	Med	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Towns</li> <li>• Small Business Development Center</li> <li>• Region 9 EDD</li> <li>• DCDC</li> <li>• Dove Creek School Dist.</li> <li>• Local Residents</li> <li>• CSU Extension</li> <li>• SBDC</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Current businesses</li> <li>• EDA &amp; CDBG funding</li> <li>• Area Banks</li> <li>• SBDC</li> <li>• Grants</li> <li>• Local funding</li> <li>• Local expertise</li> <li>• CSU Extension</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide support to local businesses.</li> <li>• Provide support to San Juan Bio-energy as an anchor in Weber Business Park.</li> <li>• Improve Main Street in Rico &amp; Dove Creek.</li> <li>• Minimize dollars leaving the County.</li> <li>• Increased number and quality of jobs.</li> <li>• Utilization of EZ business tax credits.</li> <li>• Build on Leading Edge Leadership training to include mentorship opportunities as well as business skills training.</li> </ul>
<p>37. <b>Business Retention &amp; Expansion:</b> Provide Business Revolving Loan Fund for the County including a Micro-Loan program</p>	NR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dove Creek State Bank</li> <li>• Region 9 BLF</li> <li>• Small Business Development Center</li> <li>• DCDC</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Region 9's Business Loan Fund</li> <li>• Region 9 Economic Dev. Group Fund</li> <li>• DCDC</li> <li>• SBDC</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide financial assistance from the BLF to eligible businesses.</li> <li>• Make available funds from \$500 to \$1,000 to individuals and small businesses.</li> </ul>

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<b>38. Economic Development:</b> Sustain County-wide Economic Development Position	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• County</li> <li>• Town of Rico</li> <li>• Dove Creek</li> <li>• DCDC</li> <li>• Private businesses</li> <li>• Region 9 EDD</li> <li>• CSU Extension</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• County</li> <li>• Region 9 EDD</li> <li>• Private businesses</li> <li>• EDA</li> <li>• OEDIT</li> <li>• CSU Extension</li> <li>• DCDC</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Full time position focusing on county-wide growth and planning, workforce training and retention, recruiting new and sustaining current local businesses.</li> </ul>
<b>39. Economic Development:</b> County Administrator Position	NR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• County</li> <li>• Region 9 EDD</li> <li>• DoLA</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DoLA</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Explore the feasibility of having a County Administrator for Dolores.</li> </ul>
<b>40. Infrastructure:</b> Develop Industrial Sites in County	Med	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DCDC</li> <li>• Region 9 EDD</li> <li>• Planning Commission</li> <li>• CSU Extension Office</li> <li>• Towns</li> <li>• Atlantic Richfield Company</li> <li>• Rico Renaissance</li> <li>• Forest Service</li> <li>• EDA</li> <li>• EPA</li> <li>• State Health</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Land is still relatively inexpensive</li> <li>• USDA</li> <li>• EPA</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identify suitable sites and create feasibility plans.</li> <li>• New jobs and increased business retention.</li> <li>• Brownfield site north of Rico cleaned up to potentially act as industrial park to attract viable light industry businesses.</li> <li>• Increased opportunity for business.</li> </ul>
<b>41. Infrastructure:</b> Expand "DC TV" Television Station Facilities including adding a Radio Station and studio.	Med	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dove Creek</li> <li>• Dolores</li> <li>• CSU Extension Office</li> <li>• SW TV Translator Association</li> <li>• DCDC</li> <li>• KSJD</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Region 9 EDD</li> <li>• County</li> <li>• CSU Campus</li> <li>• DOLA</li> <li>• Fund for Rural America</li> <li>• Public Broadcasting Grants</li> <li>• SW TV Translator Assoc.</li> <li>• KSJD</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Expanded facilities.</li> <li>• Add a radio station.</li> <li>• Provide additional remote transmission sites, and personnel to support additional programming and camera work.</li> </ul>

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<b>42. Infrastructure:</b> Expand Public Radio Access in Rico Area	Med	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Community Radio Project</li> <li>• Rico Radio Project</li> <li>• Town of Rico</li> <li>• Dolores County</li> <li>• KSJD</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• USDA</li> <li>• Public Broadcasting Grants</li> <li>• KSJD</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Development of FCC tower and satellite studio for broadcasting.</li> </ul>
<b>43. Infrastructure:</b> Continue to Maintain and Develop Adequate Infrastructure to Accommodate Regions Increasing Population & Business Needs	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• County and Towns</li> <li>• Region 9 EDD</li> <li>• Southwest Regional Transportation Planning Commission</li> <li>• CDOT</li> <li>• DCDC</li> <li>• CSU Extension</li> <li>• Montezuma Water</li> <li>• Empire Electric</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CDOT</li> <li>• DOLA</li> <li>• EDA</li> <li>• USDA DCDC</li> <li>• Region 9 EDD</li> <li>• DCDC</li> <li>• CSU Extension</li> <li>•</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Each community would have adequate infrastructure for business development and expansion including power, water, roads and regulations.</li> </ul>
<b>44. Infrastructure:</b> Expand Fairgrounds Exhibit Hall and bring power to the facility. Insulate and heat the exhibit hall for year round use.	Med	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dolores County</li> <li>• Dove Creek</li> <li>• Fair Board</li> <li>• CSU Extension Office</li> <li>• Chamber</li> <li>• Rec. Dept.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dove Creek</li> <li>• County</li> <li>• DOLA</li> <li>• GoCO</li> <li>• Chamber</li> <li>• Fair Board</li> <li>• USDA</li> <li>• Empire Electric</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Construction to install electrical power, lights, and shaded grandstand. Expand Exhibit hall to accommodate more people. Insulate building</li> </ul>
<b>45. Infrastructure:</b> Establish and Maintain Business Incubator Site in Rico	Med	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Region 9 EDD</li> <li>• Town of Rico</li> <li>• Rico Downtown Dev. Assoc.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Building</li> <li>• Third party property owners</li> <li>• Rico Downtown Dev. Assoc.</li> <li>• Rico</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New jobs and increased business retention.</li> </ul>
<b>46. Infrastructure:</b> Establish Adequate Parking in Rico	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Town of Rico</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rico</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• More parking to meet future growth needs.</li> </ul>

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47. <b>Infrastructure:</b> Remodel Rico Fire House into Museum	Med	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rico Historical Society</li> <li>• Dolores County Historical Society</li> <li>• Town of Rico</li> <li>• Dolores County</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rico</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Remodel old firehouse into a museum.</li> <li>• Provide historical assessment on building.</li> <li>• Museum granted \$50,000 for restoration work and repairs, Pending purchase of a second historic structure by The Rico Center</li> </ul>
48. <b>Infrastructure:</b> Build Road & Bridge Maintenance Shop in Rico	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Town of Rico</li> <li>• EPA</li> <li>• Colorado Dept of Public Health &amp; Environ.</li> <li>• Atlantic Richfield Company</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DOLA</li> <li>• Rico</li> <li>• EPA</li> <li>• CDPHE/Brownfields funding</li> <li>• ARCO</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Establishment of location to store Rico equipment.</li> </ul>
49. <b>Infrastructure:</b> Upgrade Community Center Facility in Dove Creek	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Town</li> <li>• Rec. Dept.</li> <li>• Chamber</li> <li>• County</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GoCO</li> <li>• DoLA</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Expanded and renovated facility including a paved parking lot.</li> </ul>
50. <b>Tourism:</b> Promote the Region as a Tourism Destination	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lodgers Tax/Tourism Board</li> <li>• Southwest Colorado Travel Region</li> <li>• Colorado Tourism Office</li> <li>• National Tour Operators</li> <li>• Local Businesses</li> <li>• Environmental groups</li> <li>• US Forest Service/BLM</li> <li>• Local Businesses</li> <li>• Local newspaper</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lodgers Tax Revenues</li> <li>• State Tourism Funding</li> <li>• EZ Marketing Funds</li> <li>• Natural resources</li> <li>• Office of Community Services/FLC</li> <li>• State Historic Fund</li> <li>• GoCO</li> <li>• Colorado Brownfield's Funding</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Maintain and improve regional tourism.</li> <li>• Focus on rafting, fishing and hunting.</li> <li>• Involve tourism coordinator.</li> <li>• Promote Dolores Overlook and existing trails.</li> <li>• Protect natural resources through eco-tourism efforts.</li> <li>• Support low impact recreation.</li> <li>• Support hunting &amp; fishing economies.</li> <li>• Investigate mining reclamation funding and rehabilitation possibilities.</li> </ul>

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<b>51. Tourism:</b> Expand and Improve the Antique Tractor and Farm Implement Display at Weber Business Park	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DCDC</li> <li>• CSU Extension</li> <li>• Dolores County</li> <li>• Town of Dove Creek</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DCDC</li> <li>• CSU Extension</li> <li>• State Agri-tourism</li> <li>• Mesa Verde Country</li> <li>• National Heritage Foundation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Improved visibility and access to Tractor Display.</li> <li>• Establish walking paths and covered picnic areas around display.</li> <li>• Increased tourism and stops in the community.</li> </ul>
<b>52. Tourism:</b> Improve the Visitors Center in Dove Creek	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chamber</li> <li>• DCDC</li> <li>• Region 9 EDD</li> <li>• CSU Extension Office</li> <li>• Dove Creek/County</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Natural attractions</li> <li>• Through traffic</li> <li>• County/Town funding</li> <li>• Building is remodeled and opened</li> <li>• Regional &amp; local funding</li> <li>• Volunteers</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide information about area attractions to people passing through to the Dove Creek area.</li> <li>• Support Tourism Coordinator position.</li> <li>• Central location to give tourist information.</li> <li>• Strengthen tourism sector.</li> </ul>
<b>53. Workforce:</b> Develop and Retain Local Workforce	Med	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Regional School Districts and Colleges</li> <li>• Local Businesses</li> <li>• Southwest Forum for Teaching Technology</li> <li>• Southwest Workforce Advisory Board</li> <li>• Small Business Development Center</li> <li>• DCDC</li> <li>• CSU Extension</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Federal and State funding</li> <li>• DCDC</li> <li>• Area Workforce Centers</li> <li>• CSU Extension</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Expanded local work force.</li> <li>• Better retention of local workers in the community.</li> <li>• Local workforce better qualified to meet needs of local businesses.</li> <li>• Keep SW Workforce Satellite Office in Dove Creek.</li> </ul>
<b>54. Agriculture:</b> Diversify & Expand Technology and Crop Uses	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CSU Extension Office</li> <li>• Local growers</li> <li>• CSU Experiment Station</li> <li>• Regional universities</li> <li>• San Juan Biodiesel</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CSU Extension</li> <li>• NRCS</li> <li>• Local growers</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New crop introduction.</li> <li>• Provide seed crops for Biodiesel facility.</li> <li>• Evaluate interest in developing crops for pharmaceutical use.</li> </ul>

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55. <b>Agriculture:</b> Strengthen and Support the Region's Agricultural Economy	Med	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Local farmers, growers and producers</li> <li>• San Juan R C &amp; D</li> <li>• Fours Corners agriculture</li> <li>• CSU Extension</li> <li>• NRCS</li> <li>• Experiment Station</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Colorado Dept. of Agriculture</li> <li>• CSU Extension</li> <li>• USDA</li> <li>• National Resource Conservation Service</li> <li>• Farm Service Agency</li> <li>• Colorado State University Ag. Extension</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Development of strategies to diversify the county's agricultural economy.</li> <li>• Development of measurements of the economic and social impacts of agriculture in Southwest Colorado.</li> <li>• Maintain/enhance farms, ranches, rural character and economic viability of this sector.</li> </ul>
56. <b>Agriculture:</b> Create Agri-Business Incubators in Dove Creek & Rico	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Region 9 EDD</li> <li>• Dove Creek</li> <li>• Dolores County</li> <li>• CSU Extension Office</li> <li>• Colorado Dept. of Ag.</li> <li>• DCDC</li> <li>• Town of Rico</li> <li>• Rico Alpine Society</li> <li>• Roots in Rico</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DoLA</li> <li>• CSU Extension</li> <li>• Region 9 EDD</li> <li>• Dept. of Ag. Grants</li> <li>• DCDC</li> <li>• EDA &amp; USDA</li> <li>• The Rico Center</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Establish and promote incubator site at Weber Business Park and/or with San Juan BioEnergy.</li> <li>• Find location and funding for community greenhouse in Rico, making use of Rico's unique geothermal opportunities.</li> </ul>
57. <b>Agriculture:</b> Develop Local Farmer's Market	Med	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Colo. Dept. of Ag.</li> <li>• CSU Extension Office</li> <li>• County/Town</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Region 9 EDD marketing funds</li> <li>• Local growers</li> <li>• Dept. of Ag.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A Farmer's Market featuring specialty crops and local agriculture.</li> </ul>
58. <b>HOUSING:</b> Provide Safe & Fair Housing for Residents	Med	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• County</li> <li>• Housing Solutions of the SW</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• State and Federal funding</li> <li>• Montezuma/ Dolores Housing Authority</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Improve publicity of resources available to low and moderate income residents.</li> <li>• Provide additional housing rehabilitation and replacement.</li> </ul>

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59. <b>Housing:</b> Advocate for Affordable Housing	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Colorado Housing Inc.</li> <li>• Housing Solutions for the Southwest</li> <li>• Habitat for Humanity</li> <li>• HUD</li> <li>• DCDC</li> <li>• Towns</li> <li>• County</li> <li>• USDA</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CDBG/RLF</li> <li>• Colorado Housing Finance Authority (CHFA)</li> <li>• Community Reinvestment Act</li> <li>• USDA</li> <li>• Housing Providers</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increased affordable housing opportunities.</li> <li>• A greater number of first time buyers can purchase homes.</li> </ul>
60. <b>Housing:</b> Increase Availability of Housing	Med	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• County</li> <li>• Housing Solutions of the Southwest</li> <li>• Montezuma/ Dolores Housing Authority</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Housing Authority</li> <li>• County</li> <li>• USDA</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increase the supply of housing that is available and affordable (both owner occupied and rental housing).</li> </ul>