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Roy Romer
Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER

TRANSFER OF THE OFFICE OF RURAL JOB TRAINING FROM THE
DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL AFFAIRS

WHEREAS, subject to the requirements of the Job Training Partnership Act of 1982 (Public Law 97-300, Section 101), Governor Richard D. Lamm designated forty-five (45) rural counties (state planning regions 1, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, and 14) as a sub-state service delivery area, effective March 17, 1983; and

WHEREAS, subject to the requirements of the Job Training Partnership Act of 1982 (Public Law 97-300, Section 102), Governor Richard D. Lamm certified a Private Industry Council for the forty-five (45) county rural service delivery area, effective June 15, 1983; and

WHEREAS, subject to the requirements of the Job Training Partnership Act of 1982 (Public Law 97-300, Section 103), the forty-five (45) county service delivery area Chief Local Elected Officials Board and the Private Industry Council have reached agreement to designate the Office of Rural Job Training under the Department of Labor and Employment as the grant recipient and the entity to administer the Job Training Partnership Act in the forty-five (45) county rural service delivery area; and

WHEREAS, subject to the agreement between the Chief Local Elected Officials Board and the Private Industry Council, specific management and functional responsibilities have been delegated to the Office of Rural Job Training; and

WHEREAS, effective linkages have been built among employment and training programs in the rural areas, and maintaining these linkages the economic development agenda for rural Colorado would strengthened a closer tie between the Office of Rural Job Training and economic development initiatives; and

WHEREAS, the Governor and the Joint Budget Committee of the Colorado Legislature have agreed to transfer the Office of Rural Job Training from the Department of Labor and Employment to the Department of Local Affairs in order to facilitate Colorado's rural economic development strategic plan, by linking economic development job creation efforts and job training programs administered by the Office of Rural Job Training; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Chief Local Elected Officials Board and the Private Industry Council to maintain continuity of programs, and that Office of Rural Job Training staff be allowed the option to transfer to the Department of Local Affairs under the Office of Rural Job Training or to exercise their rights within the Department of Labor and Employment; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the forty-five (45) county service delivery area Chief Local Elected Officials Board and the Private Industry Council to support the transfer of the Office of Rural Job Training from the Department of Labor and Employment to the Department of Local Affairs in order to promote a stronger link with economic development.


NOW, THEREFORE, I, Roy Romer, Governor of the State of Colorado, pursuant to the authority vested in me under the statutes and Constitution of the State of Colorado, do hereby order that:

1. The Office of Rural Job Training be transferred from the Department of Labor and Employment to the Department of Local Affairs.
2. The staff of the Office of Rural Job Training shall be transferred to the Department of Local Affairs or be provided the option to exercise their rights within the Department of Labor and Employment.
3. Management and functional responsibilities delegated to the Office of Rural Job Training shall be duly recognized and maintained as prescribed by the Chief Local Elected Officials Board and Private Industry Council Agreement.

4. The statutory authority, powers, duties and functions, records, personnel, property and contractual obligations of the State under the Office of Rural Job Training are transferred to the Department of Local Affairs.
5. The purpose of the Office of Rural Job Training shall be "to provide job training and employment opportunities for economically disadvantaged, unemployed, or underemployed persons which shall result in an increase in their earned income, and to assure that training and other services lead to maximum employment opportunities and enhance self-sufficiency" as set forth in the Job Training Partnership Act for the forty-five (45) county rural service delivery area.
6. The Office of Rural Job Training shall be, in addition, responsible for the coordination between the Chief Local Elected Officials Board and the Rural Colorado Private Industry Council in executing the Job Training Partnership Act as the agent for both entities.
7. The transfer of the Office of Rural Job Training to the Department of Local Affairs shall be effective as of July 1, 1987.

Given under my hand and the
Executive Seal of the State of
Colorado this 15th day of July,
1987.




Roy Romer
Governor