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SUPPORT SB10-209 CONCERNING ALLOCATION OF FOREST PAYMENTS (Schwartz, Vigil)

SB 209 attempts, on a one year basis, to implement the intent of the General Assembly to maximize federal PILT payments to Colorado.

It will only take effect if the U.S. Department of the Interior (DOI) determines that the existing statutes related to allocation of forest payments will be interpreted in a way that frustrates that intent.

A decision from DOI is expected in time for June 2010 PILT distributions but will likely come after the close of the regular legislative session.

SB 209 expresses the intent of the General Assembly to not treat forest payments transferred from counties to schools as if they were used for county purposes and reaffirms the General Assembly's intent to establish an allocation methodology that benefits both counties and schools.

By eliminating the statutory minimum allocation to schools and county road and bridge funds, SB 209 will allow Colorado counties and school districts to allocate forest payments in a way that will fulfill the General Assembly's intent in passing HB09-1250 last session and provide time to consider the impacts of a DOI opinion.

Counties that were generous with their school districts in 2008 may still suffer tremendous reductions in this year's PILT payments but **SB 209 is designed to help avoid these reductions in the calculation of next year's PILT payments.**

CCI RESPECTFULLY REQUESTS YOUR SUPPORT FOR SB10-209



2008 Forest Payment							PILT Option
County	Total Received by Counties (1/09)	Amount Provided to Schools	%	Projected PILT Payment (2010)	Difference		
Adams County	\$ -	\$ -	N/A	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	B
Alamosa County	\$ 39,860	\$ 9,965	25%	\$ 147,881	\$ (7,972)	\$ -	A
Arapahoe County	\$ -	\$ -	N/A	\$ 10,803	\$ -	\$ -	A
Archuleta County	\$ 730,344	\$ 587,276	80%	\$ 332,914	\$ (550,759)	\$ -	A
Baca County	\$ -	\$ -	N/A	\$ 480,884	\$ -	\$ -	A
Bent County	\$ -	\$ -	N/A	\$ 50,083	\$ -	\$ -	A
Boulder County	\$ 64,050	\$ 3,203	5%	\$ 325,158	\$ (0)	\$ -	A
Broomfield County	\$ -	\$ -	N/A	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	B
Chaffee County	\$ 602,996	\$ 557,116	92%	\$ 626,194	\$ (526,966)	\$ -	A
Cheyenne County	\$ -	\$ -	N/A	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	B
Clear Creek County	\$ 243,199	\$ 12,160	5%	\$ 168,800	\$ -	\$ -	A
Conejos County	\$ 884,911	\$ 781,819	88%	\$ 167,587	\$ (737,573)	\$ -	A
Costilla County	\$ 1,218	\$ 609	50%	\$ 920	\$ (548)	\$ -	A
Crowley County	\$ -	\$ -	N/A	\$ 9,496	\$ -	\$ -	A
Custer County	\$ 229,510	\$ 166,796	73%	\$ 190,981	\$ (155,321)	\$ -	A
Delta County	\$ 321,980	\$ 16,099	5%	\$ 643,815	\$ 0	\$ -	A
Denver County	\$ -	\$ -	N/A	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	B
Dolores County	\$ 559,198	\$ 100,000	18%	\$ 137,696	\$ -	\$ -	B
Douglas County	\$ 65,804	\$ 3,290	5%	\$ 279,038	\$ 0	\$ -	A
Eagle County	\$ 480,462	\$ 456,439	95%	\$ 1,534,251	\$ (432,416)	\$ -	A
El Paso County	\$ 96,747	\$ 4,837	5%	\$ 154,225	\$ 0	\$ -	A
Elbert County	\$ -	\$ -	N/A	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	B
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Grand County	\$ 818,944	\$ 327,578	40%	\$ 466,576	\$ (286,630)	\$ -	A
Gunnison County	\$ 1,419,786	\$ 70,989	5%	\$ 534,876	\$ -	\$ -	B
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Hutchinson County	\$ 513,260	\$ 25,663	5%	\$ 168,180	\$ -	\$ -	B
Jefferson County	\$ 58,572	\$ 2,929	5%	\$ 189,982	\$ 0	\$ -	A
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Kit Carson County	\$ -	\$ -	N/A	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	B
La Plata County	\$ 325,624	\$ 283,151	87%	\$ 712,640	\$ (266,870)	\$ -	A
Lake County	\$ 308,970	\$ 262,624	85%	\$ 148,080	\$ (247,176)	\$ -	A
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Mineral County	\$ 750,604	\$ 40,000	5%	\$ 130,625	\$ (61)	B
Moffat County	\$ 53,683	\$ 2,684	5%	\$ 1,230,091	\$ (6)	A
Montezuma County	\$ 338,608	\$ 246,501	73%	\$ 788,037	\$ (229,570)	A
Montrose County	\$ 409,012	\$ 20,451	5%	\$ 1,898,873	\$ 0	A
Morgan County	\$ -	\$ -	N/A	\$ 7,543	\$ -	A
Otero County	\$ -	\$ -	N/A	\$ 406,295	\$ -	A
Ouray County	\$ 96,745	\$ 67,721	70%	\$ 281,819	\$ (62,884)	A
Park County	\$ 669,443	\$ 526,528	79%	\$ 733,548	\$ (493,056)	A
Phillips County	\$ -	\$ -	N/A	\$ -	\$ -	B
Pitkin County	\$ 398,309	\$ 19,915	5%	\$ 947,758	\$ -	A
Prowers County	\$ -	\$ -	N/A	\$ 1,007	\$ -	A
Pueblo County	\$ 53,430	\$ 2,671	5%	\$ 98,499	\$ 0	A
Rio Blanco County	\$ 328,239	\$ 69,751	21%	\$ 569,253	\$ (53,339)	A
Rio Grande County	\$ 361,082	\$ 319,675	89%	\$ 442,732	\$ (301,621)	A
Rout County	\$ 313,439	\$ 297,767	95%	\$ 1,251,832	\$ (282,095)	A
Saguache County	\$ 2,794,158	\$ 155,231	6%	\$ 448,762	\$ -	B
San Juan County	\$ 224,932	\$ 11,247	5%	\$ 70,054	\$ -	B
San Miguel County	\$ 91,682	\$ 73,346	80%	\$ 826,830	\$ (68,762)	A
Sedgewick County	\$ -	\$ -	N/A	\$ 639	\$ -	A
Summit County	\$ 471,723	\$ 23,586	5%	\$ 289,614	\$ -	A
Teller County	\$ 108,177	\$ 54,089	50%	\$ 276,782	\$ (48,880)	A
Washington County	\$ -	\$ -	N/A	\$ 1,862	\$ -	A
Weld County	\$ -	\$ -	N/A	\$ 462,100	\$ -	A
Yuma County	\$ -	\$ -	N/A	\$ 17,494	\$ -	A
State Total	\$ 18,300,949	\$ 6,443,409		\$ 27,253,634	\$ (5,438,338)	

* The 2009 Statement of Federal Lands Payments collects payment amounts for a number of federal lands programs from Oct. '08 through Sept. '09 and includes the payments outlined above. It is this report that is utilized to calculate the PILT payment for 2010.

¹ The values reported for Forest Payments in the 2009 Statement of Federal Lands Payments confirm these amounts for PILT calculation purposes. The projected PILT payment column only takes into account any deductions from Forest Payments and does not consider other lands payments deductions.