

**RESOLUTION
OF
THE BOARD OF OURAY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

Concerning: Repeal of H.R. 3283, the Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act

Whereas, H.R. 3283, the Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act, allows the federal land management agencies to change access fees for recreational use of federally managed public lands by the general public; and

Whereas, these public lands access fees have been highly controversial and are opposed by hundreds of organizations and county governments, by state legislatures including the Colorado General Assembly, and by millions of rural Americans; and

Whereas, H.R. 3283 is substantive legislation, including criminal penalties, that fundamentally changes the way America's public lands are funded and managed; and

Whereas, federal policies regarding management of public lands have a profound impact on the wellbeing of the citizens of Colorado and changes to them should be conducted in an open public forum; and

Whereas, H.R. 3283 was never approved by the U.S. House and was never introduced, never had hearings, and was never approved by the U.S. Senate but was instead attached to an omnibus spending bill as an appropriations rider; and

Whereas, the Board of County Commissioners considered this matter at a special meeting on January 31, 2005.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Ouray, State of Colorado, that the County requests that H.R. 3283 be repealed by the United States Congress.

Be it Further Resolved, that copies of this resolution be sent to the Governor of Colorado, to the President of the United States of America, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, the majority and minority leadership of the United States Senate, and to each member of the Colorado Congressional Delegation.

Adopted this 31st day of January, 2005.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF OURAY COUNTY, COLORADO

ATTEST:

Don Batchelder, Chairman

Michelle Nauer,
Clerk and Recorder

Tom Hollenbeck, Vice-Chairman

By: _____
Linda Munson-Haley
Deputy Clerk of the Board

Heidi M. Albritton, Commissioner Member