

Performance Note SB0200 - Rural Economic Development Modifications Sponsor: Sen. Sandall, Scott D.



Performance Note Report

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Funding For: Serving a New or Larger Population

Public Benefit:

Purpose: It is expected that the bill will consolidate existing programs into a single Rural County Economic Development Grant Program that allows for more streamlining and flexibility at GOED to support Rural Utah.

Services: The new grant program is intended to target counties as recipients of grants and allows them to focus on their own strategic plans which coordinate/align with the Statewide Economic Development goals. The grants can be used in various ways to support infrastructure, marketing, consulting, studies, etc. with the intent that counties have focused efforts to improve their situation.

Expected Outcome: Counties should receive grants that support their strategic mission and "move the needle" for county wide efforts rather than individual companies receiving grants under current programs which have been less focused and impactful over a broader scope.

Implementations and Resources: The bill is self appropriating and with grant funding and legislative intent the program will be developed and implemented to support and grow rural Utah counties.

How: Counties will receive funding to support their self identified strategic goals that focus efforts county wide.

Performance Measures

Goal

Title: GOAL: To provide grant funding for eligible rural projects related to qualifying Strategic Economic Development Plans.

Description: Create the Rural Economic Development County Grant Program application and create a grant outreach plan to communicate to the eligible rural counties how to use the program. The grant development process will address issues such as an application and application process being established, training on grant cycles, developing a grant scoring rubric/metrics and a funding distribution method. The outreach plan will incorporate a website landing page, training webinars, strategic outreach calendar, annual reporting, brochure/newsletter, informational sheets, etc.

Collection Method: Reporting on number of grants and dollars distributed annually, and report on number of outreach efforts in annual report. Baseline: Currently zero, as this is a new program. Target, Year One: 50% of eligible rural counties with qualifying Strategic Economic Development Plans (roughly 11 projects) will receive grant approvals. Target, Year Two: 75% (roughly 16 projects) of eligible rural counties with qualifying Strategic Economic Development Plans will receive grant approvals.

	2019	2020	2021
County Approved Applications	0.00	11.00	16.00
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