# AGENDA ITEM or FINAL CONTRACT REVIEW SUBMITTAL FORM

**AgendaTitle:**
Out-of-State Travel Request; 2015 National Planning Conference; Geographic Information Systems Director; Seattle, WA; 4/18/15 thru 4/21/15; $3,030

**Action Requested:** Discussion

**Parties to the Agreement:**

**Term Begins:** **Term Ends:** **Grant Contract #:**

**Summary:**
This is a request to discuss the issues related to joining Garfield and Montrose Counties on a panel regarding GuSG at 2 conferences, one of which requires out-of-state travel approval.

**Fiscal Impact:** $2,300

**Submitted by:** Mike Pelletier **Submitter's Email Address:** mpelletier@gunnisoncounty.org

**Finance Review:** (●) Required ( ) Not Required

Comments:

Total travel related budget in GIS for 2015 is $3,100

Reviewed by: GUNCOUNTY1\lNienhueser Discharge Date: 1/13/2015

**County Attorney Review:** ( ) Required (●) Not Required

Comments:

Reviewed by: Discharge Date: Certificate of Insurance Required Yes ( ) No ( )

**County Manager Review:**

Comments:

Reviewed by: GUNCOUNTY1\mbirnie Discharge Date: 1/13/2015

( ) Consent Agenda (●) Regular Agenda ( ) Worksession Time Allotted: 5

Agenda Date: 1/27/2015 Follow Up Agenda Date:

*Revised April 2013*

To: Board of County Commissioners

From: Mike Pelletier, GIS Manager

Date: January 12, 2015

RE: GuSG presentations

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Garfield County Planning Director, Fred Jarman, has organized a panel to present County experiences and lessons learned regarding Sage-grouse at two conferences. The first is the Rocky Mountain Land Institute annual conference in Denver on March 13th. The second is at the 2015 national planning conference in Seattle, April 18-21.

Jim Cochran, David Baumgarten, and I have discussed this in relation to the pending litigation and concluded that these presentations represent a good opportunity to tell our story. David has offered to review the presentation materials as it is very important to get the message correct.

Both Jim and I have been invited to both presentations to join Fred Jarman and Jon Waschbusch (Montrose County). Jim and I are planning to attend the Denver presentation and currently the thought is that just I would attend the Seattle conference. However, we wanted to have a short discussion with the BoCC regarding the matter given the pending litigation and that this requires approval for out-of-state travel.

Travel costs should be less than $2,300 for one person and include $730 for the conference registration.