

RESOLUTION NO. 2016 - 25

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF RIO BLANCO COUNTY, COLORADO, DECLARING SUPPORT FOR THE
LIQUID NATURAL GAS EXPORT FACILITY IN
THE UNITED STATES INCLUDING JORDAN COVE**

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado (“the Board”) recognizes that Liquid Natural Gas utilization leads to reduced carbon footprint impact; and

WHEREAS, liquid natural gas is a stable energy source; and

WHEREAS, liquid natural gas extraction activity provides greater economic stability to impacted areas within the United States and provides desirable employment; and

WHEREAS, the Piceance Basin, located in Western Colorado, is a tight sands formation that is part of the Mancos Shale formation; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Geological Survey estimates the Mancos Shale formation holds about Sixty-six trillion cubic feet of natural gas; and

WHEREAS, The Mancos Shale of the Piceance Basin is the second largest deposit of natural gas reserves in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the adoption of this Resolution is necessary and proper to provide for the safety, preserve the health, promote the prosperity, and improve the order, comfort, welfare and convenience of the County and the inhabitants thereof;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF RIO BLANCO COUNTY, COLORADO FINDS AS FOLLOWS:

1. Development of liquid natural gas export facilities in the United States will help stabilize the economic impacts in communities of impact.
2. Greater utilization of liquid natural gas as a source of domestic and international energy has the potential to reduce the carbon footprint and decrease air quality impacts.
3. Exporting liquid natural gas to countries politically aligned with the United States increases global security.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

The Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado hereby endorses the further development of liquid natural gas export facilities within the United States, specifically in Jordan Cove.

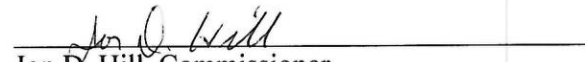
DULY MOVED, SECONDED, AND PASSED ON A VOTE OF 3 FOR AND 0
AGAINST, THIS 14 DAY OF November, 2016.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF RIO BLANCO COUNTY, COLORADO**

ATTEST:


Boots M. Campbell, Clerk to the Board


Shawn J. Bolton, Chairman


Jon D. Hill, Commissioner


Jeffrey D. Eskelson, Commissioner

