

ORDINANCE NO.2018-3

GARFIELD COUNTY, UTAH

AN ORDINANCE ENACTED BY THE GARFIELD COUNTY COMMISSION TO:

- (1) PROHIBIT THE NON-GRAZING USE AND DEVELOPMENT OF UNINCORPORATED LAND IN GARFIELD COUNTY THAT IS SITUATED IN A STATE OR COUNTY DESIGNATED AGRICULTURAL GRAZING ZONE

WHEREAS the Garfield County Commission are charged with the responsibility of preserving and promoting Garfield County's culture, practices, customs and way of life; and

WHEREAS grazing is a critically important and vital practice, custom and industry in Garfield County and is central to its culture and way of life; and

WHEREAS grazing is vital to Garfield County's economy; and

WHEREAS an important part of grazing in Garfield County takes place on land public and private lands situated within State and/or County designated agricultural grazing zones; and

WHEREAS Grazing Agricultural Commodity Zones have been established by State statute and county plan to recognize and promote grazing on federally managed public lands in Garfield County; and

WHEREAS putting those lands to developmental uses beside grazing not only negatively impacts Garfield County's culture, customs, practices and way of life, but also places additional significant burdens on Garfield County's already-strained capacity to provide county services; and

WHEREAS, Garfield County wishes to exercise its inherent planning and zoning authority over all private unincorporated lands within the County, in order to further the policies and objectives stated above;

NOW THEREFORE, THE FOLLOWING ORDINANCE IS ENACTED WITH RESPECT TO ALL PRIVATELY-OWNED UNINCORPORATED LAND IN GARFIELD COUNTY:

1. FOR ANY AND ALL PRIVATELY-OWNED UNINCORPORATED LAND IN GARFIELD COUNTY THAT MAY BE SITUATED IN A STATE AND/OR COUNTY AGRICULTURAL ZONE, WHICH LAND MAY BE ACQUIRED, SOLD, CONVEYED, EXCHANGED, DISPOSED OF OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED BY GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY, PRIVATE ENTITY, OR NATURAL PERSON OR PERSONS TO A PRIVATE OWNER OR OWNERS,
 - a. ANY AND ALL USE AND DEVELOPMENT OF SUCH LAND SHALL BE CONTINUE TO BE FOR LIVESTOCK GRAZING PURPOSES ONLY.
 - b. ANY AND ALL USE AND DEVELOPMENT OF SUCH LAND FOR OTHER THAN LIVESTOCK PURPOSES IS PROHIBITED;
2. THIS ORDINANCE SHALL TAKE EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY UPON PASSAGE.

ADOPTED by vote of ____ in favor and ____ against, and ____ abstaining, this
____ day of October, 2018.

Leland F. Pollock, Commission Chair

ATTEST

Camille A. Moore, County Clerk/Auditor