



# Arapahoe County

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## Board Summary Report

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**To:** Board of County Commissioners

**Through:** Tyler S. Brown, Sheriff, Sheriff's Office

**Prepared By:**  
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**Subject:**  
Renew National Weather Service License Agreement for Weather Radio Transmitter in Deer Trail

**Purpose and Request:**

Request for the BOCC to approve and authorize the Chair to sign the license agreement with the United States of America (US Department of Commerce, National Weather Service) for the use of the Deer Trail radio mast. Once signed, the OEM will facilitate the NWS signature.

**Alignment with Strategic Plan:** Safe and Healthy Communities - Advance public safety by strengthening partnerships across law enforcement, emergency response, and community stakeholders.

**Background and Discussion:** The National Weather Service (NWS) is updating the Weather Radio alerting transmitter that provides critical weather safety alerts to all of Arapahoe County and much of the adjacent eastern plains. The NWS is performing all labor and assuming all costs. The current transmitter is beyond its serviceable life and is not expected to continue providing alerts in a reliable manner.

**Alternatives:** NWS weather radio is a critical component of the alert and warning system and there are no viable alternatives.

**Fiscal Impact:** None.

**Alignment with Strategic Implementation Strategies:** The attached framework helps Arapahoe County institutionalize values-based, transparent decision-making, documenting how we make decisions and carry out actions to achieve the county's strategic plan.

**Concurrence:** US Department of Commerce, National Weather Service.