

**IRON COUNTY, UTAH
RESOLUTION 2014-22**

**A RESOLUTION OF IRON COUNTY, UTAH DENOUNCING THE ACTIONS
OF THE BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT, BLM STATE DIRECTOR JUAN
PALMA, US ATTORNEY CARLIE CHRISTENSEN WITH REGARD TO THE
PROTEST OF RECAPTURE CANYON IN SAN JUAN COUNTY, UTAH**

WHEREAS, Iron County is a political subdivision of the State of Utah;

WHEREAS, over 63% of land in Iron County is managed by the federal government, either the BLM or USFS;

WHEREAS, On May 10th 2014 hundreds of protestors gathered in Blanding Utah and Recapture Canyon near Blanding Utah for a peaceable protest against the BLM's illegal closure of the Recapture Canyon Road / Trail;

WHEREAS, the BLM and the US District Attorney's office have selectively chosen 5 individuals out of hundreds to charge with Conspiracy and riding ATV's on a closed trail;

WHEREAS, no resource damage was done and no charges were filed for resource damage;

WHEREAS, one of those charged, Commissioner Phil Lyman is an elected official who was acting on behalf of his oath of office and on behalf of the citizens of San Juan County;

WHEREAS, BLM State Director Juan Palma, the BLM and US Attorney Carlie Christensen chose to charge an elected official directly vs. challenge San Juan County directly through court proceedings;

WHEREAS, the BLM has had an extremely heavy handed approach to dealing with these types of issues and has been untruthful in many of their claims, findings and dealings with regard to the road closure;

WHEREAS, Iron County believes this is an attempt to squelch the voice of Elected Officials and Citizens who are willing to take a stand against wrongdoing by federal agencies;

