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TRANSFER OF TWO COUNTIES TO SOUTHEAST WORKFORCE REGION COMPLETED

*Realignment to have no impact on services in
Huerfano and Las Animas counties*

(DENVER) – In late June, Governor John Hickenlooper approved the transfer of employment and training responsibilities in Huerfano and Las Animas counties from the South Central to the Southeast Workforce Region.

The realignment was based on a request from the County Commissioners of both counties. That request was reviewed by the Colorado Workforce Development Council, whose executive committee unanimously recommended approval of the request to the governor.

Ellen Golombek, Executive Director of the Colorado Department of Labor and Employment, the agency that operates Workforce Centers in the South Central and Southeast Regions, stresses that the realignment will be transparent to customers.

“Regardless of how Workforce Centers are configured on the map, they remain solidly connected to the communities they serve. Our Workforce Centers in Trinidad and Walsenburg will continue to assist local employers with their staffing needs and offer a triage of services to job seekers, from job placement to more intensive services such as job counseling and training.”

That same community-based approach remains in place for all the Workforce Centers across the South Central Region. For a full listing of Workforce Center locations in both South Central and Southeastern Colorado, go to <http://www.colorado.gov/cdle> and click on “Divisions” and then “Workforce Centers”. A map of Colorado’s Workforce Regions is attached.

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