

**MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT
ON BEHALF OF LEWIS COUNTY, A MEMBER
OF THE EVERGREEN FOREST COUNTY GROUP
A Rural Public Lands County Council Affiliate
2025**

I. PARTIES

This Memorandum of Agreement is by and between Robert K. Weidner, hereinafter "Weidner", with offices in the Washington, D.C. area and Lewis County, hereinafter "the County".

II. RESPONSIBILITIES

Pursuant to the terms of this Memorandum of Agreement, Weidner will serve as Washington, D.C. government relation's advisor to Lewis County and other counties of the Evergreen Forest County Group hereinafter "Evergreen". In this role, Weidner will report to and receive guidance from Evergreen Group Members & Commissioners of participating counties including:

- A. Monitoring and information gathering with the Administration and Congress with respect to matters in which the counties may have interest. Specifically, Weidner will closely monitor and provide information on matters affecting public lands within member counties.
- B. Lobbying Congress and departments of the executive Branch of the government including the Department of the Interior, the Office of Management and Budget, the Department of Energy, the Environmental Protection Agency, and the Department of Agriculture with respect to matters, which affect member counties. This will involve arranging meetings for officials of the member counties with officials of these departments as necessary; the preparation of testimony and briefing papers; assisting in devising strategy; the implementation of that strategy with respect to House and Senate Committees; and liaison work with key committee members of the House and Senate Committees as well as Committee staff.
- C. In addition to those activities described in "B" above, this will include working with members and staffs of relevant Congressional Committees on an on-going basis on behalf of member counties.
- D. Providing regular briefings to the Evergreen Executive Committee and member counties following the guidelines set forth by the Executive Committee.

On behalf of Lewis County Date