## ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ADVISORY COMMITTEE



## PUBLIC NOTICE

The Pueblo Area Council of Governments (PACOG) is seeking applications from Pueblo County residents (i.e., City of Pueblo or the unincorporated area of Pueblo County) interested to serve on its Environmental Policy Advisory Committee (EPAC). EPAC is a eight-member advisory group which may advise PACOG regarding environmental issues, including air quality, water quality, noise abatement, solid waste, and hazardous waste. EPAC meets on the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of every other month at 5:15 p.m., beginning in February.

Members are appointed by PACOG to serve three-year terms and reflect a balance of interests in the Pueblo area. EPAC consists of substantially equivalent proportions from the following four groups:

- **Public Interest**--Any member of a nonprofit organization which reflects a general, civic, social, recreational, environmental, or public health perspective in the Pueblo region, and which group does not directly reflect the economic interests of its membership. Excluded from membership in this category, shall be any member eligible for economic interest or public official category.
- Organizations with Substantial Economic Interest--Any person and/or company who is likely
  to incur financial gain or loss greater than that of an average homeowner, taxpayer, or consumer
  as a result of any action likely to be taken by PACOG. Included in this group, but not limited to
  are: representatives of companies inspected by the Pueblo Department of Public Health and
  Environment (PDPHE) for possible pollution; farmers and/or representatives of ditch companies;
  persons involved in supplying for profit recreation programs or equipment; large water
  consumers; manufacturers; commercial establishments; and nongovernmental professional
  organizations or persons with substantial economic interest.
- **Public Officials**--Any person holding a public office who has been selected by a vote of the residents, any commission or agency member who has been appointed by a group of elected officials, and any employee of local, State, or Federal government.
- **Private Citizens**--Those persons who are not eligible for of the other categories noted. In addition, no person may be included in this category that is likely to incur a financial gain or loss greater than that of an average homeowner, taxpayer, or consumer as a result of any action likely to be taken by PACOG.

At this particular time, applications are being requested for persons to serve from all four groups, **Public Interest, Organizations with Substantial Economic Interest, Public Officials, and Private Citizens**. If you are interested in applying for appointment, you may obtain an application form from the Pueblo County Department of Planning and Development, 229 West 12<sup>th</sup> Street, Pueblo, CO 81003, (719) 583-6100 or online at <u>https://www.pacog.net/epac</u>. The deadline for receipt of the completed application is by **5:00 p.m., Wednesday, January 8, 2024.**