# Agenda Item 1.2.1

#### **BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS BRIEFING PAPER**

**Topic: Federal Funding Impacts Update** 

Presented By: Dan Conway, Chief Financial Officer, Carey Markel, Deputy

County Attorney

Date: 5/13/2025

⊠ For Information	☐ For Discussion/Board Direction	☐ Consent to
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**Issue:** Since January 2025, the Federal Government has issued and continues to issue Executive Orders that may impact federal funding streams, having the potential to affect County-administered programs, funding allocations, and compliance obligations. Staff are currently assessing the scope and implications of these Executive Orders on an ongoing basis to determine their potential impacts, if any, on County operations and services.

**Background:** Given the potential impact on Jefferson County services and operations, an internal Executive Order (EO) Task Force was established to monitor, assess, and evaluate the impacts of the Executive Orders and the resulting actions taken by federal funding agencies. The EO Task Force meets weekly to review newly issued Executive Orders and is actively evaluating risks and identifying affected programs to help inform County strategy and ensure continuity of services. To keep leadership informed, the EO Task Force will provide bi-weekly updates to the Board of County Commissioners on its findings and any notable developments.

**Discussion:** The EO Task Force includes representatives from the County Attorney's Office, Strategy, Innovation & Finance (SIF), Public Affairs, and the County Manager's Office. The Grants Management Team serves as the lead for tracking, evaluating, and providing data to support the EO Task Force's analysis and recommendations.

As of April 30, 2025, the County has confirmed a total loss of \$5,993,821 in federal funding. An additional \$39,078,182 in funding is under active monitoring due to recent federal communications or known risks to established funding streams. The total potential impact to the County from

confirmed losses and at-risk funding is \$11,793,821. The data is also provided in the table below.

# **Executive Order Impacts as of April 30, 2025**

Total County Impact (confirmed & monitoring)	\$45,072,003
Monitoring Status of Federal Funding	\$39,078,182
Confirmed Loss of Federal Funding	\$5,993,821

The confirmed loss to date is the Building Resilient Infrastructure for Communities (BRIC) grant application for the Rocky Mountain Municipal Airport in the amount of \$5,953,821, and the Inflation Reduction Act Direct Pay program which would have provided roughly \$40,000 in annual tax credits for energy efficiency projects conducted by various county departments.

County departments and offices with programs currently under monitoring include:

- Development and Transportation
- Human Services
- Library
- Public Health
- Countywide programs (those with cross-departmental or General Fund implications)

Detailed program-specific impacts and current monitoring efforts are outlined in Attachment A: Summary of Executive Order Task Force Tracking (May 13, 2025). Additional data and analysis are included in Attachment B.

The EO Task Force welcomes direction from the Board of County Commissioners regarding the scope and format of future bi-weekly updates. The Team is also exploring additional methods to increase accessibility and transparency of the data, such as through an online dashboard or Power Business Intelligence (BI) visualization.

Beyond internal tracking, the Grants Management Team and Public Affairs are partnering to engage community stakeholders in understanding the

broader impacts of the Executive Orders. A survey tool is currently in development and is expected to launch by mid-May. The survey will be distributed to community partners and remain open on an ongoing basis to collect feedback and inform future updates.

## Fiscal Impact: ⊠ yes □no

 This briefing itself does not have any direct fiscal impact. However, fiscal impacts of the Executive Orders are detailed in the narrative and attachments.

**SPA Review:** SPA supports; no concerns. Sherry Wilger, 5/5/25

**County Attorney Review:** Approved. Kurt Behn, 5/5/25

**Facilities Review:** No fiscal impact. Mark Danner, 5/5/25

**BIT Review:** No impact. Andy Corbett, 5/6/25

Fleet Review: No fiscal impact. Janice Mayer, 5/6/25

**Recommendations:** The EO Task Force commits to making this information available on a consistent and frequent basis. We welcome feedback from the Board of County Commissioners regarding presentation of the data and if additional information is needed.

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