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Subject: Willow Preliminary Municipal Feasibility Review

Introduction

This review follows the feasibility request for the preliminary municipality of Willow, in Kane County, Utah. This memo determines whether Willow meets the population, density, and contiguity requirements for preliminary incorporation (defined in Utah Code 10-2a-503).

The Utah Population Committee (UPC) analysis indicates that Willow meets the preliminary incorporation requirements.

Table 1: Initial Feasibility Requirements for Willow Incorporation

Criteria	Meets Criteria?	Requirement by Statute	Willow Details
Population	Yes	Population must be equal to or greater than 100 when all phases of the plan are completed.	2,997
Population Density	Yes	Density must be seven people per square mile or higher	3,225 people per square mile
Contiguity	Yes	Area is contiguous, does not have a strip of land connecting geographically separate areas	The proposed boundary covers a contiguous area.

Population data source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2020 Census

Note: Requirements are summarized; Full statutory requirements are delineated in Utah Code 10-2a-502.