



To: Members of the RCRC Board of Directors
From: Paul A. Smith, Senior Vice President Governmental Affairs
Date: January 5, 2021
Re: Adoption of RCRC's 2021 Policy Principles - **ACTION**

Summary

This memo highlights proposed revisions to RCRC's Policy Principles. RCRC staff recommends the adoption of the proposed Policy Principles for 2021.

Background

RCRC's Policy Principles help guide RCRC staff when reviewing legislation and regulations to determine the appropriate position for the organization and its members. Having the Policy Principles adopted early in the calendar year allows RCRC staff to act swiftly in taking positions on measures and issues in order to best represent the organization.

In 2018, RCRC staff completed and the RCRC Board of Directors approved a major overhaul to improve the overall effectiveness of the document. The overhaul removed redundancies and streamlined content, making the document shorter, less-cluttered, and more practical.

Issue

The December 2020 RCRC Board Packet contained a draft of the proposed 2021 RCRC Policy Principles with revisions recommended by staff. The draft 2021 Policy Principles were proposed in December 2020 and slated for adoption at the January 13, 2021 RCRC Board of Directors meeting. Further recommended edits or comments from Board Members were requested by January 4, 2021 so that they could potentially be included in the Board Packet, thereby allowing sufficient time for Board Member review.

The edits recommended by staff from the December 2020 Board Meeting are indicated in [blue](#). The amendments recommended by RCRC member counties received after the December 2020 Board Meeting are indicated in [red](#).

Staff Recommendation

RCRC staff recommends that the RCRC Board of Directors approve the draft 2021 Policy Principles as proposed, including the amendments and edits proposed by RCRC member counties and staff.

Attachment

- Proposed RCRC 2021 Policy Principles (Track Changes Copy)