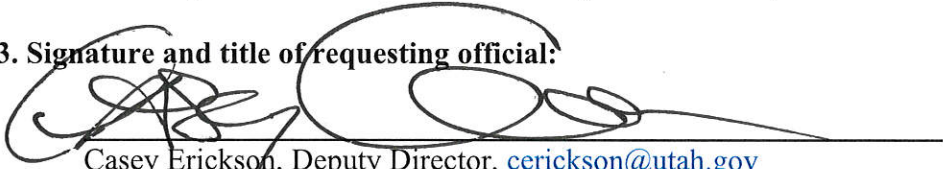


STATE WAIVER REQUEST

1. **Waiver Serial Number (if applicable):**
2. **Type of request:** Initial
3. **Regulatory citation:** 7 CFR 273.24(f)(6)
4. **State:** Utah
5. **Region:** Mountain Plains
6. **Regulatory requirements:** 7 CFR 273.24(f)(6) says, "States may define areas to be covered by waivers."
7. **Description of alternative procedures:** The Utah Department of Workforce Services wants to waive the ABAWD time limits for individuals living in Garfield, San Juan and Wayne counties.
8. **Justification for request:** The reason for this request is data from the Department of Labor stating these are labor surplus areas for the State of Utah.
9. **Anticipated impact on households and State agency operations:** Residents living in the exempted counties would continue to receive SNAP benefits without an ABAWD time limit. The eligibility system would be programmed so the processing of benefits would be seamless for eligibility workers.
10. **Caseload information, including percent, characteristics, and quality control error rate for affection portion (if applicable):** This waiver would apply statewide to anyone living in Garfield, San Juan or Wayne counties.
11. **Anticipated implementation date and time period for which waiver is needed:**
October 1, 2014
12. **Proposed quality control review procedures:** N/A.
12. **State agency submitting waiver request and State contact person:**
Utah Department of Workforce Services, Paul Birkbeck, 801-580-0152
13. **Signature and title of requesting official:**

Casey Erickson, Deputy Director, cerickson@utah.gov
14. **Date of request:** June 18, 2014

15. State agency staff contact (name/email/telephone):

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16. Regional office contact person (*to be completed by FNS regional office*):