

**WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT OF 1998
FUNDING PROVIDED BY
AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT (ARRA) OF 2009
PROGRAM YEAR 2010 UPDATE**

High Country Workforce Development Consortium
Local Workforce Development Area Name

We affirm that the Local Area Workforce Development Board (WDB) and the Chief Elected Official (CEO) of the Local Area, in partnership, have developed and now submit this Program Year 2010 ARRA update as an Addendum to the comprehensive, strategic local Workforce Development Modification Number 3-A to the Program Year 2008 Transition Plan.

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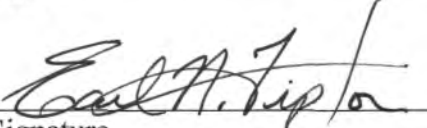
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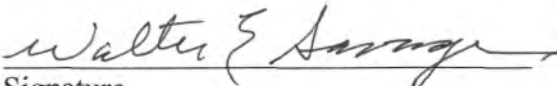
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**ADDENDUM UPDATE for
PROGRAM YEAR 2010 (July 1, 2010 – June 30, 2011)**

**LOCAL WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT AREA
PROGRAM YEAR 2008 TRANSITION PLAN
MODIFICATION 3-A for the
AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT (ARRA) OF 2009**

Addendum Update Questions

- 1. Are the Local Workforce Development Area Description, Administrative Systems and System Assessment, Policies and Procedures as provided in the Local Workforce Development Area Workforce Investment Act Program Year 2010 Plan applicable for the Local Workforce Development Area's operation of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act for Program Year 2010?**

Yes, they are applicable to ARRA funded services.

- 2. Provide a brief summary of the ARRA Youth activities to date. Include as separate descriptions the 2009 Summer Youth Work Experience activities and, if applicable, any year round Youth activities.**

The primary focus of ARRA funding was NC Summer Jobs of 2009. The High Country exceeded its enrollment goal, with 184 youth in a work experience component. Of those, 143 youths achieved their work readiness goals, with 67 having earned Career Readiness Certification, which was a part of the work readiness component. All participated in a classroom training component covering many aspects of work readiness. Most youths completed their work experiences by September 30, 2009, with several extensions due to good performance. Approximately 100 worksites were used throughout the region. The Summer Jobs program was well received by youth, employers, and the community. A temporary staff person was hired in each of the seven counties to coordinate job placements and monitoring of youth.

To date, 11 youths have been served in ARRA year-round services. Youths in the year-round component have a goal of educational attainment and/or work experience. Remaining ARRA funds will also be used for educational attainment and/or work experiences. Supportive services, such as travel and tuition, are provided on an as-needed basis.

- 3. Have all ARRA Youth funds been expended? If not, please provide a description of activities that will ensure 100% expenditure by June 30, 2011. {Note: ARRA eligibility for service to youth up to age 24 is allowed.}**

We have expended 95% of our available ARRA Youth funding to date. We plan to enroll up to 10 more youth in ARRA funded services through December 31, 2010. We anticipate that we will have expended all of our ARRA Youth funds by that time as well. Anticipated activities may include paid employment opportunities, occupational skills training, and supportive services.

4. Provide a brief summary of the ARRA Adult activities to date.

High Country Local Area has enrolled 288 Adults in ARRA activities. All enrollees have received comprehensive and/or specialized assessments; development of an individualized employment plan; and individual and career counseling. Based on individual need, referrals have been made to other JobLink partner agencies and community services. Supportive services have been provided to those customers requiring additional assistance to remain in or complete their training goals. 206 customers have enrolled in short-term training, with 58 enrolled in curriculum training programs. 137 have participated in JobsNow "12 in 6" training classes. 123 have received HRD services in addition to HRD activities provided through JobsNow classes. 12 adults have obtained Bronze Level CRCs; 30 have obtained Silver Level CRCs; and 7 have earned Gold Level CRCs. 13 adult participants have participated in Work Experience, and 5 have been employed through On-the-Job Training placements. At this time, 132 have completed training, with 70 obtaining unsubsidized employment.

5. Provide a brief summary of the ARRA Dislocated Worker activities to date.

High Country Local Area has enrolled 247 Dislocated Workers in ARRA activities. All enrollees have received comprehensive and/or specialized assessments; development of an individualized employment plan; and individual and career counseling. Based on individual need, referrals have been made to other JobLink partner agencies and community services. Supportive services have been provided to those customers requiring additional assistance to remain in or complete their training goals. 162 have enrolled in short-term training, with 39 enrolled in curriculum training programs. 102 have participated in JobsNow "12 in 6" classes. 77 have received HRD services in addition to HRD activities provided through JobsNow classes. 10 Dislocated Worker participants have obtained Bronze Level CRCs; 35 have obtained Silver Level CRCs; and 13 have earned Gold Level CRCs. One dislocated worker customer has participated in Work Experience, and 13 have been employed through On-the-Job Training placements. At this time, 91 customers have completed training with 56 obtaining unsubsidized employment.

6. Provide the estimated number of adults, dislocated workers and youth to be served through ARRA and provide estimated expenditures, including accruals, on the format provided as part of Attachment 2. Do not include obligations on this chart.

See Attachment 2: ARRA Estimated Enrollments and Expenditures table.

AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT (ARRA) ESTIMATED ENROLLMENTS AND EXPENDITURES

LOCAL WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD: High Country Workforce Development Board

	31-Dec-2010		30-Jun-2011	
	Enrollments	Expenditures	Enrollments	Expenditures
ADULT	300	\$460,769.	300	\$460,769.
DISLOCATED WORKER	280	\$623,411.	280	\$623,411.
TOTAL YOUTH	205	\$500,764.	205	\$500,764.
Summer Youth	185	\$485,769.	185	\$485,769.
Comprehensive Youth	20	\$15,000.	20	\$15,000.

Notes:

1. Provide the projected ARRA enrollment number, by funding category, as of the end of each time period.
2. The estimates are to reflect cumulative enrollments and expenditures through June 30, 2011.
3. "Summer Youth" and "Comprehensive Youth" should equal "Total Youth".

It is possible for a youth to be served and reflected in both categories.