Will this funding request expand local/regional economic/workforce development programs

Will this funding request create jobs², new tax revenue, economic diversity

Yes. Initially the expansion would add 1.5 FTE and 2.5 part-time positions to the practice however it is estimated that for every medical provider that is added to a practice, 20+ ancillary jobs are created throughout the community. Additionally, the medical center has seen an increase in what is referred to as "medical tourism". As Steamboat Springs has grown so has the demand for medical services increased. More and more people are finding it difficult to schedule appointments in a reasonable time where the South Routt Medical Center still accepts walk-in's and same day scheduling. This has resulted in the medical center seeing more patients not just from Steamboat Springs but other surrounding communities. When people drive to another community for healthcare services they may also stop for gas and shop, all of which drives economic diversity, the demand for jobs, sales tax revenues and property tax revenues.

Will this funding request be for start-up assistance or expansion/retention of existing businesses

Yes. This would be for the expansion of the South Routt Medical Center.

Will this project incentivize new private investments that create jobs², new or increased property taxes, and economic diversity.

South Routt is already experiencing population growth because of the increasing unaffordability of housing in Steamboat Springs. As the medical center expands, new jobs are added throughout the community (see above) and filled by those who are living in the community. This drives an increase in both sales and property tax revenues.

Will this funding request support site selection activities that result in new jobs², new/increased taxes, and economic diversification

Most likely no. Part of this grant request will included the funding for a Feasibility Study. Our current hope is that a building expansion will address the immediate space requirements along with a 10 year projection. If this study shows that there may not be a large enough footprint to address the 10-year plan, then a possible new location may be considered.

Will this funding request be for technical assistance for allowed uses