CASTLE PINES NORTH METROPOLITAN DISTRICT

DECLARATION OF LOCAL EMERGENCY DISASTER

RECITALS

The Castle Pines North Metropolitan District (the "District") is a quasi-municipal corporation and political subdivision of the State of Colorado organized pursuant to the Special District Act, §§ 32-1-101 et seq., C.R.S., to furnish water and sanitary sewer services within and without its boundaries in Douglas County, Colorado.

On January 30, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the worldwide outbreak of COVID-19 a "public health emergency of international concern;" and on January 31, 2020, the United States Department of Health and Human Services declared the virus a public health emergency, and on March 11, 2020, the WHO declared COVID-19 to be a worldwide pandemic.

On March 11, 2020, the Governor of Colorado declared a "Disaster Emergency Due to the Presence of Coronavirus Disease 2019 in Colorado"; and on March 13, 2020, Donald Trump, President of the United States, declared a national emergency with respect to COVID-19 virus.

The Department of Homeland Security has determined the Water and Wastewater Sector of local governments are Critical Infrastructure under 42 U.S.C. § 5195c(e); and, the District must continue operations during the ongoing outbreak to ensure the health, safety and welfare of its customers and the public is protected.

Colorado Governor Polis issued Executive Order D 2020 017 on or about March 25, 2020 ordering business closures and issuing "stay at home" orders which severely affected the operations of the District Water Reclamation Facility and caused the need for emergency actions, costs and expenses to be incurred to maintain the operations of the facility.

Pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-33.5-709(1) a local disaster may be declared by the principal executive officer of a political subdivision, but for periods in excess of seven days requires the consent of the governing board of the political subdivision. "The effect of a declaration of local disaster emergency is to activate the response and recovery aspects of any and all applicable local and interjurisdictional disaster and emergency plans and to authorize the furnishing of aid and assistance under such plans." C.R.S. § 24-33.5-709(2).

Declaring a local disaster emergency can qualify political subdivisions for federal and state programs that exist or may be developed to mitigate against losses incurred as a result of the COVID-19 epidemic.

The District has and will continue to incur unusual costs or expenses related to responding to this emergency and may be required to work with other jurisdictions, agencies, or state officials to effectuate a complete response.

Castle Pines North Metropolitan District **Emergency Declaration** Effective March 1, 2020

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Principal Executive Officer ("Officer") and Board of Directors:

- 1. The Officer and Board of Directors confirms, determines, and declares that the presence and likelihood of additional cases of the COVID-19 virus State of Colorado constitute a local disaster emergency effective March 1, 2020.
- The Board directs the District Manager to take all actions to effectuate the orders and 2. guidance of state and federal public health agencies as necessary, in consultation with the Board where appropriate.
- The Board also directs the District Manager to ensure staff and contractor safety, 3. illness, sick-time, working remotely, and similar-topics are appropriately addressed to ensure the continuity of operations within the District in consultation with the Board as appropriate.
- 4. The District Manager shall take all steps necessary to protect the operations and functioning of the wastewater treatment plant including directly incurring expenditures to maintain the biological activity within the system.
- The District Manager should account for and document any and all costs, 5. expense, purchases or other expenditures related to the District's response to this emergency in the event that any such expenses may be eligible for reimbursement under any Federal, State, County or other financial assistance program.
- This local disaster emergency will continue until amended, extended, or rescinded 6. by the Board.
- This Resolution and Declaration shall be promptly filed with the Douglas County 7. Clerk and Recorder.
- This Resolution and Declaration is necessary for the public health, safety and 8. welfare of the residents of the District and the surrounding area.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED THIS 19 DAY OF ///

Castle Pines North Metropolitan District

Effective: March 1, 2020

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Authorized and approved by the Board of Directors of the Castle Pines North Metropolitan District effective March 1, 2020.

District President

ATTEST:

By:

Secretary or Assistant Secretary