

INTER-CANYON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

RESOLUTION 2023 - 01

A RESOLUTION CONCURRING IN THE CONSOLIDATION OF ELK CREEK FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT, INTER-CANYON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT, AND NORTH FORK FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT INTO A SINGLE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

WHEREAS, the Inter-Canyon Fire Protection District (“Inter-Canyon”) is organized and operating as a fire protection district and political subdivision of the State of Colorado; and

WHEREAS, the Inter-Canyon currently serves an area of approximately 52 square miles in western Jefferson County, providing all legally authorized services as a fire protection district in the State of Colorado; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to §32-1-601(1), C.R.S., two or more special districts may be consolidated into a single consolidated district, and such consolidation may occur between or among such districts whether or not they were originally organized for the same purpose and whether or not such districts are contiguous; and

WHEREAS, Inter-Canyon has reviewed and discussed a possible consolidation with two (2) neighboring districts, Elk Creek Fire Protection District, covering 98 square miles in western Jefferson County and eastern Park County (“Elk Creek”), and North Fork Fire Protection District, covering 240 square miles in southern Jefferson County and northwest Douglas County (“North Fork”), (Inter-Canyon, Elk Creek, and North Fork collectively referred to as the “Districts”), along with the citizens of each of the Districts; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to §32-1-602(2)(a), C.R.S., Elk Creek has formally proposed, through its Resolution dated May 11, 2023, the consolidation of the Districts to provide services effectively and economically as a single, consolidated district; and

WHEREAS, Inter-Canyon has received feedback from its citizens that suggests support for pursuing a possible consolidation, subject to voter approval; and

WHEREAS, Inter-Canyon has considered and approved that certain Pre-Consolidation Intergovernmental Agreement between the Districts, effective as of April 12, 2023 (“IGA”) that establishes a procedure consistent with the laws of the State of Colorado to propose a consolidation of the Districts to the citizens of each district as part of the coordinated election in November 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of Inter-Canyon (“Board”) finds that Inter-Canyon, Elk Creek, and North Fork may be operated effectively and economically as a single, consolidated district, providing all legally authorized services of a fire protection district in the State of Colorado, and that the public health, safety, prosperity, and general welfare of the inhabitants of Inter-Canyon will be better served by the consolidation of the Districts into a single fire protection district.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE INTER-CANYON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT THAT:

1. Inter-Canyon concurs with the findings and declarations of the Elk Creek Board of Directors, as reflected in Elk Creek’s Resolution Proposing the Consolidation of Elk Creek Fire Protection District, Inter-Canyon Fire Protection District, and North Fork Fire Protection District

into a Single Fire Protection District dated May 11, 2023, and adopts them as the findings and declarations of Inter-Canyon.

2. Specifically, Inter-Canyon declares that Inter-Canyon, Elk Creek, and North Fork may be operated effectively and economically as a single, consolidated district, providing all legally authorized services of a fire protection district in the State of Colorado, and that the public health, safety, prosperity, and general welfare of the inhabitants of Inter-Canyon will be better served by the consolidation of the Districts into a single fire protection district.

3. This Resolution shall be effective upon passage and shall remain in effect absent clear majority action by the Board to supersede or otherwise repeal this Resolution.

4. Inter-Canyon staff is directed to take all actions necessary to implement the directives and intent of this Resolution and to file a copy of this Resolution with Elk Creek as soon as possible following approval, but no later than June 22, 2023.

5. All acts, orders, resolutions, or parts thereof, of Inter-Canyon that are inconsistent or in conflict with this Resolution are hereby repealed to the extent only of such inconsistency or conflict. All acts, orders, resolutions, or parts thereof, of Inter-Canyon that are consistent with this Resolution are hereby affirmed and ratified.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED: May 18th, 2023.

INTER-CANYON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT



Board President

Attest:



Board Secretary

Robert J Scott