

**PRIVATE DETENTION BASIN /
STORMWATER QUALITY BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICE
MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT AND EASEMENT**

This PRIVATE DETENTION BASIN / STORMWATER QUALITY BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICE MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT AND EASEMENT (Agreement) is made by and between EL PASO COUNTY by and through THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF EL PASO COUNTY, COLORADO (Board or County) **SRJ LAND, LLC**, a Colorado limited liability company (Developer) and **THE STERLING RANCH METROPOLITAN DISTRICT NO. 3** (Metro District), a quasi-municipal corporation and political subdivision of the State of Colorado. The above may occasionally be referred to herein singularly as “Party” and collectively as “Parties.”

Recitals

- A. WHEREAS, the District provides various municipal services to certain real property in El Paso County, Colorado referred to as **STERLING RANCH**; and
- B. WHEREAS, Developer is the owner of certain real estate (the Property or Subdivision) in El Paso County, Colorado, which Property is legally described in Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference; and
- C. WHEREAS, Developer desires to plat and develop on the Property a subdivision to be known as **STERLING RANCH EAST FILING NO. 3**; and
- D. WHEREAS, this agreement replaces and supersedes the previous agreement for this same extended detention basin under El Paso County project number CDR221, as recorded under reception number 224063905; and
- E. WHEREAS, the development of this Property will substantially increase the volume of water runoff and will decrease the quality of the stormwater runoff from the Property, and, therefore, it is in the best interest of public health, safety and welfare for the County to condition approval of this subdivision on Developer’s promise to construct adequate drainage, water runoff control facilities, and stormwater quality structural Best Management Practices (“BMPs”) for the subdivision; and
- F. WHEREAS, Chapter 8, Section 8.4.5 of the El Paso County Land Development Code, as periodically amended, promulgated pursuant to Section 30-28-133(1), Colorado Revised Statutes (C.R.S.), requires the County to condition approval of all subdivisions on a developer’s promise to so construct adequate drainage, water runoff control facilities, and BMPs in subdivisions; and
- G. WHEREAS, the Drainage Criteria Manual, Volume 2, as amended by Appendix I of the El Paso County Engineering Criteria Manual (ECM), as each may be periodically amended, promulgated pursuant to the County’s Colorado Discharge Permit System General Permit (MS4 Permit) as required by Phase II of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES), which MS4 Permit requires that the County take measures to protect the quality of stormwater from sediment and other contaminants, requires subdividers, developers, landowners, and owners of facilities located in the County’s rights-of-way or easements to provide adequate permanent stormwater quality BMPs with new development or significant redevelopment; and

H. WHEREAS, Section 2.9 of the El Paso County Drainage Criteria Manual provides for a developer's promise to maintain a subdivision's drainage facilities in the event the County does not assume such responsibility; and

I. WHEREAS, developers in El Paso County have historically chosen water runoff rain gardens as a means to provide adequate drainage and water runoff control in subdivisions, which basins, while effective, are less expensive for developers to construct than other methods of providing drainage and water runoff control; and

J. WHEREAS, Developer desires to construct for the subdivision **ONE (1)** extended detention basin/stormwater quality BMP and **ONE (1)** Grass Buffer ("Permanent PCMs") as the means for providing adequate drainage and stormwater runoff control and to meet requirements of the County's MS4 Permit, and to provide for operating, cleaning, maintaining and repairing such Permanent PCMs; and

K. WHEREAS, Developer desires to construct the Permanent PCMs on property that is or will be platted as **Tract G and Tract E** for (extended detention basin) and **Tract D** for (Grass Buffer), as indicated on the final plat of the subdivision, and as set forth on Exhibit B attached hereto; and

L. WHEREAS, Developer shall be charged with the duty of constructing these Permanent PCMs and the Metro District shall be charged with the duties of operating, maintaining and repairing the Permanent PCMs on the Property described in Exhibit B; and

M. WHEREAS, it is the County's experience that subdivision developers and property owners historically have not properly cleaned and otherwise not properly maintained and repaired these Permanent PCMs, and that these Permanent PCMs, when not so properly cleaned, maintained, and repaired, threaten the public health, safety and welfare; and

N. WHEREAS, the County, in order to protect the public health, safety and welfare, has historically expended valuable and limited public resources to so properly clean, maintain, and repair these Permanent PCMs when developers and property owners have failed in their responsibilities, and therefore, the County desires the means to recover its costs incurred in the event the burden falls on the County to so clean, maintain and repair the Permanent PCMs serving this Subdivision due to the Developer's or the Metro District's failure to meet its obligations to do the same; and

O. WHEREAS, the County conditions approval of this Subdivision on the Developer's promise to so construct the Permanent PCMs, and further conditions approval on the Metro District's promise to reimburse the County in the event the burden falls upon the County to so clean, maintain and/or repair the Permanent PCMs serving this Subdivision; and

P. WHEREAS, the County could condition subdivision approval on the Developer's promise to construct a different and more expensive drainage, water runoff control system and Permanent PCMs than those proposed herein, which more expensive system would not create the possibility of the burden of cleaning, maintenance and repair expenses falling on the County; however, the County is willing to forego such right upon the performance of Developer's and the Metro District's promises contained herein; and

Q. WHEREAS, the County, in order to secure performance of the promises contained herein, conditions approval of this Subdivision upon the Developer's grant herein of a perpetual Easement over a portion of the Property for the purpose of allowing the County to periodically access, inspect, and, when so necessary, to clean, maintain and/or repair the Permanent PCMs; and

R. WHEREAS, Pursuant to Colorado Constitution, Article XIV, Section 18(2) and Section 29-1-203, Colorado Revised Statutes, governmental entities may cooperate and contract with each other to provide any function, services, or facilities lawfully authorized to each.

Agreement

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises contained herein, the sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties agree as follows:

1. Incorporation of Recitals: The Parties incorporate the Recitals above into this Agreement.

2. Covenants Running with the Land: Developer and the Metro District agree that this entire Agreement and the performance thereof shall become a covenant running with the land, which land is legally described in Exhibit A attached hereto, and that this entire Agreement and the performance thereof shall be binding upon themselves, and their respective successors and assigns.

3. Construction: Developer shall construct on that portion of the Property described in Exhibit B attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference, **ONE (1)** extended detention basin/stormwater quality BMP and **ONE (1)** Grass Buffer. Developer shall not commence construction of the Permanent PCMs until the El Paso County Planning and Community Development Department (PCD) has approved in writing the plans and specifications for the Permanent PCMs and this Agreement has been signed by all Parties and returned to the PCD. Developer shall complete construction of the Permanent PCMs in substantial compliance with the County-approved plans and specifications for the Permanent PCMs. Failure to meet these requirements shall be a material breach of this Agreement, and shall entitle the County to pursue any remedies available to it at law or in equity to enforce the same. Construction of the Permanent PCMs shall be substantially completed within one (1) year (defined as 365 days), which one (1) year period will commence to run on the date the approved plat of this Subdivision is recorded in the records of the El Paso County Clerk and Recorder. Rough grading of the Permanent PCMs must be completed and inspected by the El Paso County Planning and Community Development Department prior to commencing road construction.

In the event construction is not substantially completed within the one (1) year period, then the County may exercise its discretion to complete the project, and shall have the right to seek reimbursement from the Developer and its respective successors and assigns, for its actual costs and expenses incurred in the process of completing construction. The term "actual costs and expenses" shall be liberally construed in favor of the County, and shall include, but shall not be limited to, labor costs, tool and equipment costs, supply costs, and engineering and design costs, regardless of whether the County uses its own personnel, tools, equipment and supplies, etc. to correct the matter. In the event the County initiates any litigation or engages the services of legal counsel in order to enforce the Provisions arising herein, the County shall be entitled to its damages and costs, including reasonable attorney fees, regardless of whether the County contracts with outside legal counsel or utilizes in-house legal counsel for the same.

4. Maintenance: Developer and the Metro District agrees for itself and its successors and assigns, that it will regularly and routinely inspect, clean and maintain the Permanent PCMs, in compliance with the County-reviewed Operation and Maintenance Manual, attached hereto as Exhibit C and incorporate herein by this reference, and otherwise keep the same in good repair, all at their own cost and expense. No trees or shrubs that will impair the structural integrity of the Permanent PCMs shall be planted or allowed to grow on the Permanent PCMs.

5. Creation of Easement: Developer hereby grants the County and the Metro District a non-exclusive perpetual easement upon and across that portion of the Property described in Exhibit B. The purpose of the easement is to allow the County and the Metro District to access, inspect, clean, repair and maintain the Permanent PCMs; however, the creation of the easement does not expressly or implicitly impose on the County a duty to so inspect, clean, repair or maintain the Permanent PCMs.

6. County's Rights and Obligations: Any time the County determines, in the sole exercise of its discretion, that the Permanent PCMs is not properly cleaned, maintained and/or otherwise kept in good repair, the County shall give reasonable notice to the Developer, the Metro District and their respective successors and assigns, that the Permanent PCMs needs to be cleaned, maintained and/or otherwise repaired. The notice shall provide a reasonable time to correct the problem(s). Should the responsible parties fail to correct the specified problem(s), the County may enter upon the Property to so correct the specified problem(s). Notice shall be effective to the above by the County's deposit of the same into the regular United States mail, postage pre-paid. Notwithstanding the foregoing, this Agreement does not expressly or implicitly impose on the County a duty to so inspect, clean, repair or maintain the Permanent PCMs.

7. Reimbursement of County's Costs / Covenant Running With the Land: The Developer and the Metro District agree and covenant, for themselves, their respective successors and assigns, that they will reimburse the County for its costs and expenses incurred in the process of completing construction of, cleaning, maintaining, and/or repairing the Permanent PCMs pursuant to the provisions of this Agreement.

The term "actual costs and expenses" shall be liberally construed in favor of the County, and shall include, but shall not be limited to, labor costs, tools and equipment costs, supply costs, and engineering and design costs, regardless of whether the County uses its own personnel, tools, equipment and supplies, etc. to correct the matter. In the event the County initiates any litigation or engages the services of legal counsel in order to enforce the provisions arising herein, the County shall be entitled to its damages and costs, including reasonable attorney's fees, regardless of whether the County contracts with outside legal counsel or utilizes in-house legal counsel for the same.

8. Contingencies of Subdivision Approval: Developer's and the Metro District's execution of this Agreement is a condition of subdivision approval. Additional conditions of this Agreement include, but are not limited to, the following:

- a. Conveyance of **Tract G, Tract E and Tract D**, as indicated on the final plat of the subdivision, from Developer to the Metro District (which will include a reservation of easement in favor of the County for purposes of accessing, inspecting, cleaning, maintaining, and repairing the Permanent PCMs, and recording of the Deed for the same; and

- b. A copy of the Covenants of the Subdivision, if applicable, establishing that the Metro District is obligated to inspect, clean, maintain, and repair the Permanent PCMs.

The County shall have the right, in the sole exercise of its discretion, to approve or disapprove any documentation submitted to it under the conditions of this Paragraph, including but not limited to, any separate agreement or amendment, if applicable, identifying any specific maintenance responsibilities not addressed herein. The County's rejection of any documentation submitted hereunder shall mean that the appropriate condition of this Agreement has not been fulfilled.

9. Agreement Monitored by El Paso County Planning and Community Development Department and/or El Paso County Department of Public Works: Any and all actions and decisions to be made hereunder by the County shall be made by the Director of the El Paso County Planning and Community Development Department and/or the Director of the El Paso County Department of Public Works. Accordingly, any and all documents, submissions, plan approvals, inspections, etc. shall be submitted to and shall be made by the Director of the Planning and Community Development Department and/or the Director of the El Paso County Department of Public Works.

10. Indemnification and Hold Harmless: To the extent authorized by law, Developer and the Metro District agree, for themselves, their respective successors and assigns, that they will indemnify, defend, and hold the County harmless from any and all loss, costs, damage, injury, liability, claim, lien, demand, action and causes of action whatsoever, whether at law or in equity, arising from or related to their respective intentional or negligent acts, errors or omissions or that of their agents, officers, servants, employees, invitees and licensees in the construction, operation, inspection, cleaning (including analyzing and disposing of any solid or hazardous wastes as defined by State and/or Federal environmental laws and regulations), maintenance, and repair of the Permanent PCMs, and such obligation arising under this Paragraph shall be joint and several. Nothing in this Paragraph shall be deemed to waive or otherwise limit the defense available to the County pursuant to the Colorado Governmental Immunity Act, Sections 24-10-101, *et seq.* C.R.S., or as otherwise provided by law.

11. Severability: In the event any Court of competent jurisdiction declares any part of this Agreement to be unenforceable, such declaration shall not affect the enforceability of the remaining parts of this Agreement.

12. Third Parties: This Agreement does not and shall not be deemed to confer upon or grant to any third party any right to claim damages or to bring any lawsuit, action or other proceeding against either the County, the Developer, the Metro District, or their respective successors and assigns, because of any breach hereof or because of any terms, covenants, agreements or conditions contained herein.

13. Solid Waste or Hazardous Materials: Should any refuse from the Permanent PCMs be suspected or identified as solid waste or petroleum products, hazardous substances or hazardous materials (collectively referred to herein as "hazardous materials"), the Developer and the Metro District shall take all necessary and proper steps to characterize the solid waste or hazardous materials and properly dispose of it in accordance with applicable State and/or Federal environmental laws and regulations, including, but not limited to, the following: Solid Wastes Disposal Sites and Facilities Acts, §§ 30-20-100.5 – 30-20-119, C.R.S., Colorado Regulations Pertaining to Solid Waste Disposal Sites and Facilities, 6 C.C.R. 1007-2, *et seq.*, Solid Waste Disposal Act, 42 U.S.C. §§ 6901-6992k, and Federal Solid Waste Regulations 40 CFR Ch. I. The County shall not be responsible or liable for identifying,

characterizing, cleaning up, or disposing of such solid waste or hazardous materials. Notwithstanding the previous sentence, should any refuse cleaned up and disposed of by the County be determined to be solid waste or hazardous materials, the Developer and the Metro District, but not the County, shall be responsible and liable as the owner, generator, and/or transporter of said solid waste or hazardous materials.

14. Applicable Law and Venue: The laws, rules, and regulations of the State of Colorado and El Paso County shall be applicable in the enforcement, interpretation, and execution of this Agreement, except that Federal law may be applicable regarding solid waste or hazardous materials. Venue shall be in the El Paso County District Court.

15. Limitation on Developer's Obligation and Liability: The obligation and liability of the Developer hereunder shall only continue until such time as the Final Plat as described in Paragraph C of the Recitals set forth above is recorded and the Developer completes the construction of the Permanent PCMs and transfers all applicable maintenance and operation responsibilities to the Metro District. By execution of this Agreement, the Metro District agrees to accept all responsibilities and to perform all duties assigned to it, including those of the Developer, as specified herein, upon transfer of the **Tract A** from Developer to the Metro District.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties affix their signatures below.

Executed this 8th day of APRIL, 2024, by:

SRJ Land, LLC

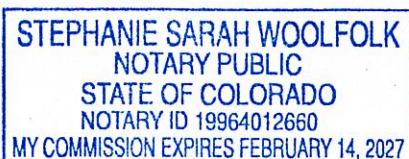
By: _____

Manager

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 8th day of April, 2024, by Manager, SRJ Land, LLC.

Witness my hand and official seal.

My commission expires: 2-14-27



Stephanie Woolfolk
Notary Public

Executed this 2nd day of APRIL, 2022, by:

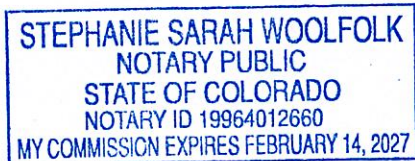
STERLING RANCH METROPOLITAN DISTRICT NO. 3, a quasi-municipal corporation.

By: [Signature]
Doug Stimple, Board Member

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 8th day of April, 2026 by Doug Stimple, Board Member, STERLING RANCH METROPOLITAN DISTRICT NO. 3, a Colorado nonprofit corporation.

Witness my hand and official seal.

My commission expires: 2-14-27



[Signature]
Notary Public

Executed this _____ day of _____, 20____, by:

By: _____
Christina Prete, Stormwater Operations & Compliance Manager
Engineering Division, Department of Public Works
Designee of Joshua Palmer, County Engineer
Authorized signatory pursuant to Resolution No. 24-145

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this _____ day of _____,
20____, by _____, Stormwater Operations & Compliance Manager, El Paso County
Department of Public Works.

Witness my hand and official seal.

My commission expires: _____

Notary Public

Approved as to Content and Form:

Erika Kesch
Assistant County Attorney

Exhibit A
LEGAL DESCRIPTION

A PARCEL OF LAND BEING A PORTION OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 33 AND THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 34, TOWNSHIP 12 SOUTH, RANGE 65 WEST OF THE SIXTH PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, EL PASO COUNTY, COLORADO, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BASIS OF BEARINGS: THE SOUTH LINE OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 28, TOWNSHIP 12 SOUTH, RANGE 65 WEST OF THE SIXTH PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, BEING MONUMENTED AT THE WEST END WHICH IS THE CENTER-EAST ONE-SIXTEENTH CORNER OF SAID SECTION 28, BY A 3-1/4" ALUMINUM SURVEYORS CAP STAMPED "ESI PLS 10376, 2006" AND AT THE EAST END, WHICH IS A 30' WITNESS CORNER TO THE EAST OF THE EAST QUARTER CORNER OF SAID SECTION 28, BY A 3-1/4" ALUMINUM SURVEYORS CAP STAMPED "ESI 10376, 2006"; DETERMINED FROM GPS OBSERVATIONS TO BEAR N89°08'28"E, A DISTANCE OF 1356.68 FEET.

COMMENCING AT THE CENTER-EAST ONE-SIXTEENTH CORNER OF SECTION 28, TOWNSHIP 12 SOUTH, RANGE 65 WEST OF THE SIXTH PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN EL PASO COUNTY, COLORADO, SAID POINT BEING THE SOUTHWESTERLY CORNER OF RETREAT AT TIMBERRIDGE FILING NO. 1 RECORDED DECEMBER 23, 2020 UNDER RECEPTION NO. 220714653 RECORDS OF EL PASO COUNTY, COLORADO;

THENCE S07°13'18"E, A DISTANCE OF 6440.55 FEET TO A POINT ON THE SOUTHERLY 80-FOOT RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF STERLING RANCH ROAD AS PLATTED IN HOMESTEAD NORTH AT STERLING RANCH FILING NO. 1 RECORDED MAY 19, 2023 UNDER RECEPTION NO. 223715150 RECORDS OF EL PASO COUNTY, SAID POINT BEING THE **POINT OF BEGINNING**;

THENCE S08°06'15"W, A DISTANCE OF 35.78 FEET;
THENCE S36°12'00"E, A DISTANCE OF 163.72 FEET TO A POINT OF CURVE;
THENCE ON A CURVE TO THE LEFT, HAVING A DELTA OF 54°34'00", A RADIUS OF 575.00 FEET, AND A DISTANCE OF 547.61 FEET TO A POINT OF TANGENT;
THENCE N89°14'00"E, A DISTANCE OF 7.06 FEET;
THENCE S00°46'00"E, A DISTANCE OF 1,085.87 FEET TO THE SOUTH LINE OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 34, TOWNSHIP 12 SOUTH, RANGE 65 WEST OF THE SIXTH PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, SAID LINE BEING THE NORTHERLY BOUNDARY LINE OF PAWNEE RANCHEROS FILING NO. 1 CORRECTION SURVEY RECORDED MAY 12, 1966 IN PLAT BOOK I-2, PAGE 47 RECORDS OF EL PASO COUNTY;
THENCE S89°14'14"W, ON SAID SOUTH LINE OF SAID SECTION 34, A DISTANCE OF 166.30 FEET TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 33;

THENCE ON THE SOUTH LINE OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 33 THE FOLLOWING TWO (2) COURSES:

1. THENCE S89°13'48"W, A DISTANCE OF 1,401.41 FEET, SAID LINE BEING THE NORTHERLY 30-FOOT RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF MOJAVE DRIVE AS PLATTED IN BAR J-B ACRES SECOND FILING RECORDED JUNE 10, 1959 IN PLAT BOOK A-2, PAGE 56 RECORDS OF EL PASO COUNTY;
2. THENCE S89°04'30"W, A DISTANCE OF 1,646.85 FEET, SAID LINE BEING THE NORTHERLY BOUNDARY LINE OF PAWNEE RANCHEROS FILING NO. 2 RECORDED FEBRUARY 15, 1972 IN PLAT BOOK U-2, PAGE 45 RECORDS OF EL PASO COUNTY TO THE EASTERLY EXTERIOR OF STERLING RANCH FILING NO. 2 RECORDED AUGUST 2, 2022 UNDER RECEPTION NUMBER 222714995 RECORDS OF EL PASO COUNTY;

THENCE ON SAID EASTERLY EXTERIOR OF STERLING RANCH FILING NO. 2 THE FOLLOWING SEVEN (7) COURSES:

1. THENCE N35°56'43"E, A DISTANCE OF 113.88 FEET;
2. THENCE N78°47'17"E, A DISTANCE OF 182.32 FEET;
3. THENCE N54°45'26"E, A DISTANCE OF 199.63 FEET;
4. THENCE N30°01'21"W, A DISTANCE OF 151.07 FEET;
5. THENCE N05°59'19"W, A DISTANCE OF 253.00 FEET;
6. THENCE N17°59'13"E, A DISTANCE OF 156.80 FEET;
7. THENCE N40°32'14"W, A DISTANCE OF 55.22 FEET TO THE AFORESAID SOUTHERLY 80-FOOT RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF STERLING RANCH ROAD;

THENCE ON SAID SOUTHERLY 80-FOOT RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF SAID STERLING RANCH ROAD THE FOLLOWING THREE (3) COURSES:

1. N13°40'40"W, A DISTANCE OF 15.90 FEET;
2. N76°19'20"E, A DISTANCE OF 1,779.02 FEET TO A POINT OF CURVE;
3. ON A CURVE TO THE LEFT, HAVING A DELTA OF 24°22'42", A RADIUS OF 1,540.00 FEET, AND A DISTANCE OF 655.27 FEET TO THE **POINT OF BEGINNING**.

CONTAINING A CALCULATED AREA OF 74.745 ACRES.

Exhibit B

TRACT G and TRACT E, Sterling Ranch East Filing No. 3 (Pond FSD-11B)

TRACT D, Sterling Ranch East Filing No. 3 (Grass Buffer and runoff reduction for lots 69-87)