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Cherry Hills North Metropolitan District c/o Darcy Beard P.O. Box 3110 Parker, CO 80134

RE: Joint District Meeting

Dear District Manager and Board of Directors:

The Outfall Line used by the participating sanitation districts was sized to accommodate sewage flows. Any additional flow, besides true wastewater, can create the flooding experienced in July 2015. These additional flows can be from sump pumps connected to the sewer system, breakages in lines causing infiltration, pools being drained into the sewer system, etc.

Over the past couple years, the Hillcrest Water & Sanitation Board has been working to determine a possible cause to the flooding experienced in July 2015. The District has also been working to mitigate possible causes found. Hillcrest is charged with maintaining the Outfall Line and has also undertaken efforts to limit extraneous inflow so that the Outfall Line is not over capacity in times of flooding.

Previous communications have been sent from both the Hillcrest and Mansfield Boards asking that your district complete sump pump inspections, in an attempt to mitigate additional flows from sump pumps being connected to the sewer system. This is one example of the District working to mitigate the causes that could possibly contribute to the basement sewage back-ups.

Through this investigation process, it has become apparent that the Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) shared among the surrounding districts has some gaps. Specifically, in relation to the Outfall Line and the authority that Hillcrest Water & Sanitation has regarding enforcement related to the wastewater line used by the participating districts.

With that being said, the Hillcrest Water & Sanitation Board of Directors would like to schedule a meeting in which at least one (1) representative from all five (5) districts participate. Currently, the Hillcrest Water & Sanitation Board has developed three (3) strategies to help solve the shortfall in the IGA.

- 1. Renegotiate the existing IGA to include enforcement power of the Hillcrest Outfall Line to ensure that all flow in the lines follows the guidelines set by Metro Wastewater. For example, pools are not allowed to drain into the sewer system. If pools are draining into the sewer system, the flow is increased to push the maximum capacity of the line and could be a factor resulting in flooding and backups. In addition, the increased flow causes excessive treatment charges from Metro Wastewater.
- 2. Create a Rules and Regulations document that all five (5) districts approve that allows the Hillcrest Board the authority to require repairs be made or changes be made to

- ensure only wastewater is entering the system. For example, broken lateral lines are a contributor of additional flow due to infiltration. This can add to the flow capacity in the line and possibly contribute to the back-ups experienced previously.
- 3. Form an Authority in which all five (5) districts will have seats on the Board and this Authority will be the enforcing body for all districts. This will allow a Board of representatives from all districts to discuss and approach solutions for all districts together.

This meeting is proposed for the 4th quarter of 2018. If you are interested in participating in such a discussion, please contact Angie Kelly prior to EOB on September 14th. You can reach Angie Kelly via phone (303-381-4980), email (<u>akelly@crsofcolorado.com</u>), or mail at 7995 E Prentice Ave, Suite 103E, Greenwood Village, CO 80111.

We thank you for your consideration in this matter and look forward to hearing from you all.

Regards,

Angie Kelly District Manager