

SOUTH DURANGO SANITATION DISTRICT DISASTER DECLARATION

WHEREAS, South Durango Sanitation District ("District") is a quasi-municipal corporation and political subdivision of the state of Colorado and;

WHEREAS, 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 for up to seven days, and then must have the consent by the governing board of the political subdivision; and

WHEREAS, 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 emergency plans and to authorize the furnishing of aid and assistance under such plans, pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-33.5-709(2); and

WHEREAS, the Coronavirus, a/k/a COVID-19, constitutes a public health emergency of International concern and has been determined to be present in Colorado and can be anticipated to spread significantly, requiring emergency preparation and execution of procedures to minimize its impact and protect the health safety and welfare of District constituents; and

WHEREAS, the District provides essential services within La Plata and the City of Durango which have each declared this matter to be a local disaster emergency; and

NOW, THEREFORE, the principal executive officer of the District declares that the presence of the Coronavirus within the State of Colorado constitutes a local disaster emergency that warrants preparation for and execution of procedures to deal with the emergency and that funds in such amounts as shall be determined by the principal executive officer and the governing body of the District shall be allocated from District reserves toward preparation and execution of a response plan.

DECLARED this 18th day of March 2020.

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