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Dear Neighbors of Silver Ponds HOA,

Because of some recent queries; we felt it needful to remind our residents of the issues concerning fishing in the HOA neighborhood owned ponds. Our ponds are not a part of the Colorado Parks and Wildlife Division. We the Silver Ponds HOA privately own and maintain them and therefore, set our own rules within the constraint of the water decree and federal and state surface water regulations. We have responsibility for the ponds to each other as good neighbors.

Regarding the fish in the ponds, they are catch and release. Please adhere to this. After all, if the fish are depleted by people catching and removing them we would have to use community funds (your money) to replenish the ponds. This way of catch and release, the fish self-regulate. And we have the enjoyment if we choose, to fish, which is one of the intents of the recreation areas.

Another reminder regarding guests fishing in the ponds. Residents are responsible for their guests. This includes informing your guests of the catch and release policy. Also, requiring them to display on their person the lanyard with the pink tag so as residents; we don't have to go ask them who they are and why they are enjoying fishing at our private pond, that we as resident pay to maintain? It is best if you can accompany your guests.

That brings us to the last point. As residents who pay for the pond, we are responsible to watch over it. Hopefully, all residents are respectful of us as a HOA and will strive to keep the regulations for they benefit all. But, if someone needs to be reminded to please keep the catch and release rule, then we need to be kind and respectful in our correction.

Thank you, dear neighbors for making our community a pleasant, good place to live and raise our families.

Respectfully, Silver Ponds Home Owners Association Board