

**DECLARATION OF
SPECIAL DISTRICT DISASTER EMERGENCY
INTER-CANYON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**

WHEREAS, the Novel Coronavirus 2019 (COVID-19) Pandemic currently is having human and economic impacts on Inter-Canyon Fire Protection District, Colorado—impacts that are expected to become more widespread and more severe; and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 Pandemic is, and will continue to cause a public health emergency in Inter-Canyon Fire Protection District, Colorado by generating multiple disruptions and impacts on healthcare infrastructure and continuity of government for Inter-Canyon Fire Protection District, Colorado that may cause delays or interrupt capacity to deliver necessary services; and

WHEREAS, on March 14, 2020, the Chair of the Board, as principal executive officer of Jefferson County, pursuant to § 24-33.5-709 C.R.S. declared a local disaster emergency in Jefferson County to wit, the occurrence of imminent threat of widespread or severe damage, injury or loss of life or property, resulting from the COVID-19 Pandemic requiring emergency action to avert danger or damage; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate and in the interests of the public health and safety to rapidly address community spread of COVID-19 and subsequent cascading impacts such as economic distress, and would further protect the health and safety of the public to declare an emergency in Inter-Canyon Fire Protection District, Colorado; and

WHEREAS, the cost and magnitude of responding to and recovery from the impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic is far in excess of the available resources of Inter-Canyon Fire Protection District, Colorado; and

WHEREAS, declaration of a local disaster emergency will assist and permit access to local emergency funds, Federal and State assistance, and adjustments to policies, procedures and ordinances to protect the public's health and welfare; and

WHEREAS, the President of the Board, as principal executive officer of Inter-Canyon Fire Protection District, Colorado is authorized to unilaterally declare a local disaster pursuant to § 24-33.5-709 C.R.S. and to activate the emergency management operations plan and resolution of Inter-Canyon Fire Protection District, Colorado;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. There is hereby declared to be a local disaster emergency in Inter-Canyon Fire Protection District, Colorado, to wit, the occurrence of imminent threat of widespread or severe damage, injury or loss of life or property, resulting from the COVID-19 Pandemic requiring emergency action to avert danger or damage.

2. The effect of this Declaration shall be to activate the response and recovery aspects of any and all applicable local and inter-jurisdictional disaster emergency plans and to authorize the furnishing of aid and assistance under such plans.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Declaration shall be effective upon the date and time given below and shall remain in effect for a period of sixty days unless rescinded or extended by the Inter-Canyon Fire Protection District, Board of Directors prior to expiration.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that true copies shall be promptly filed with the Jefferson County Clerk and Recorder and the Colorado Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management and shall be promptly distributed to appropriate representatives of the news media.

Signed and effective this 21st day of March 2020, at 2:00 p.m.

Inter-Canyon Fire Protection District, Colorado



Mike Swenson
Board President