

ESTES VALLEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-03

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE 2022 ESTES VALLEY FIRE COMMUNITY WILDFIRE PROTECTION PLAN (CWPP)

WHEREAS, Community Wildfire Protection Plans (“CWPP”) are authorized and defined in Title I of the Healthy Forests Restoration Act (HFRA) passed by Congress on November 21, 2003, and signed into law by President Bush on December 3, 2003; and

WHEREAS, CWPPs, as described in the HFRA, brings together diverse local interests to discuss their mutual concerns for public safety, community sustainability and natural resources; and

WHEREAS, CWPPs offer a positive, solution-oriented environment in which to address challenges such as: local firefighting capability, the need for defensible space around homes and subdivision, and where and how to prioritize land management on both federal and non-federal land; and

WHEREAS, the Estes Valley Fire Protection District (“**District**”) is a quasi-municipal corporation and political subdivision of the State of Colorado and a duly organized and existing special district pursuant to Title 32, Article 1, Colorado Revised Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the District worked in collaboration with The Ember Alliance, Estes Valley Watershed Coalition, Town of Estes Park, Larimer County, Colorado State Forest Services, Arapaho & Roosevelt National Forests, and Rocky Mountain National Park to draft the 2022 update to the CWPP; and

WHEREAS, an update to the Estes Valley CWPP has been prepared in accordance with HFRA and Colorado State requirements; and

WHEREAS, the District is a local unit of government that has afforded the citizens an opportunity to comment and provide input in the Plan and the actions in the Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Plan concludes that, “The Estes Valley Fire Protection District is at high risk for large, high-severity wildfires due to dense forest conditions, dry and hot weather, and strong, gusty winds. Increasing drought and warming temperatures exacerbate wildfire risk in the area. The Estes Valley Fire Protection District and residents in the EVFPD must prepare for large wildfire events. Proactive work is imperative.”; and

WHEREAS, the District has reviewed and affirms that the Plan will be updated no less than every five years.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the District (“**Board**”) as follows:

1. Adoption of 2022 Estes Valley Fire Protection District Community Wildfire Protection Plan. The Board hereby adopts the Plan, in accordance with the Healthy Forests Restoration Act, as this jurisdiction’s Community Wildfire Protection Plan, and resolves to execute the actions in the Plan.

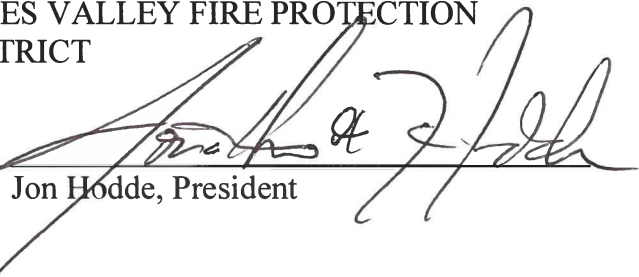
2. Severability. If any part, section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Resolution is for any reason held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the validity of the remaining provisions.

3. Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect and be enforced immediately upon its approval by the Board.

ADOPTED this 27th day of July, 2022.

ESTES VALLEY FIRE PROTECTION
DISTRICT

By



Jon Hodde, President

Attest:



David Hamrick, Secretary