

## Log Hill Fire Protection District Service Plan

The Log Hill Mesa Fire Protection District ("District"), instituted in 1976, is a governmental subdivision of the State of Colorado and a corporate body with those powers of a public or quasi-municipal corporation which are specifically authorized by, and in compliance with, applicable Colorado statutes. The District is also a duly authorized Colorado corporation incorporated under the name of Log Hill Volunteer Fire Department and organized as a nonprofit corporation pursuant to Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. All references to "The District" include the Log Hill Volunteer Fire Department, the two entities being one and the same, other than their legal creation status.

The District will constitute a "Fire Protection District" as defined in Title 32, Special Districts Act, of the Colorado Revised Statutes ("C.R.S."). The District will have all of the powers granted to Colorado special districts under the Special District Act, including the common powers delineated in the C.R.S. The District also will have the additional powers granted to fire protection districts consistent with or otherwise granted under federal, state, or local law (including all inherent/implicit powers and authority). The District's services will include, but are not limited to, fire suppression and related investigatory activities, fire prevention, and public education services. At this time the District has the authority, but not the obligation, to provide emergency rescue, extrication services, hazardous materials services, and emergency medical services. If at a future time the the District's Board of Directors ("Board") determines that any service's granted, but not currently provided, are in the best interest of the District or the community, the Board will have the authority and capability to add the service as a provision into the District's Service Plan without constituting a material modification of the Service Plan. The District's Board shall comply fully with the legal duties, requirements, and procedures applicable to special districts defined under Title 32 and organized under the C.R.S. The District maintains mutual aid agreements with Ridgway Fire, Montrose Fire, Ouray Fire, as well as with State of Colorado.

The District's budget and financial support are funded through several revenue sources. The primary source is a mill levy established each year upon the assessed valuation of all taxable real property within District. These funds are then collected annually through Ouray County's tax collection process and distributed to the District. Other sources of funding include local, state, and federal grants; contributions and donations made by individuals and organizations; and direct fundraising efforts.

The District itself occupies Log Hill Mesa and it's surrounding area. The surrounding area, which is located in the northern aspect of Ouray County (Colorado), includes but is not limited to the areas of Broman Canyon, Burnt Mill Mesa, Cimarron Mesa, Colona, Log Hill Village, Fairway Pines, McKenzie Butte, Pinon Ridge, and the Uncompahgre Plateau. Encompassing approximately 65 square miles, the District only represents about 11% of the County's land area while still providing service for a population of approximately 1,100 residents which makes up approximately 20% of the County's population.

The District maintains two (2) fire stations located at opposite ends of the District. Station 1 is located at 3245 County Road 22, in the northern portion of the District. Station 2 is located at 434 Ponderosa Drive in the southern portion of the District. Both stations maintain a similar complement of equipment as the District is organized and equipped to fight fires in the Wildland Urban Interface. Structures within the District are almost exclusively single-family residential and outbuildings, which includes several high density pockets primarily at the south portion of the District. However, the bulk of the District's coverage area consists of isolated structures interspersed with ranch, forest, and vegetation covered vacant lands. The District also contains values of significant impact to the surrounding community, to include but are not limited to, such as the District's fire stations, Black Hill Energy's natural gas pipeline, Tri-County Water's pump sites, Log Hill Mesa Communication's tower site, Dallas Creek Water's station, and the Divide Ranch Golf Club. There are also some known historical values at risk such as the Pine Grove and Pinon Grove School houses, the Needle Rock Ranch house, Sophocles Ranch ruins, Dougherty Ranch ruins, and the Klinger Ranch house.

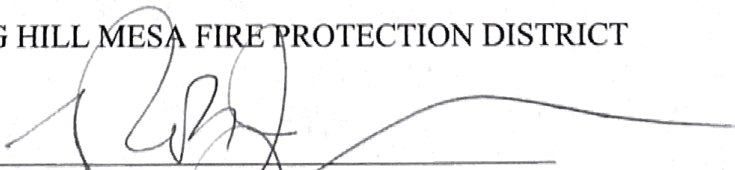
The District has one of the greatest fire dangers in Ouray County and it is protected by our greatest resource- volunteer firefighters. While much is expected, and appreciated, of these firefighters the District also relies on the support and vigilance of our community as well as their extreme diligence in performing fire mitigation on their own properties. These efforts not only help to protect their lands and houses, but also those of their neighbors around them. These mitigation efforts help the District strive to fulfill our mission to provide the District's residents and property owners with the best possible life safety, fire prevention, fire education, and fire suppression services for the people, structures, and wildlands within the District.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the Log Hill Mesa Fire Protection District hereby adopts the Log Hill Mesa Fire Protection District's service plan as it is outlined above as a guide for service, planning, and development of the Log Hill Mesa Fire Protection District.

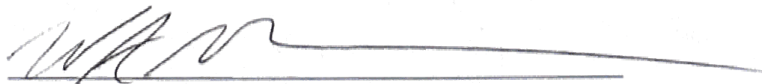
RESOLVED this 12 day of DECEMBER, 2023.

LOG HILL MESA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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