ORDINANCE NO. 09.16.25.01

AN ORDINANCE OF THE FLORIN RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS REPEALING AND REPLACING ORDINANCE NO. 02.15.22.01 AND UPDATING BACKFLOW AND CROSS-CONNECTION CONTROL REGULATIONS FOR THE ELK GROVE WATER DISTRICT

- **WHEREAS**, in 2022, the Florin Resource Conservation District Board of Directors adopted Ordinance No. 02.15.22.01 to establish backflow and cross-connection control requirements as required by Title 17, Section 7583-7605 of the California Code of Regulations; and
- **WHEREAS**, the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) adopted the Cross-Connection Control Policy Handbook ("CCCPH") on December 19, 2023; and
- WHEREAS, the CCCPH establishes enforceable statewide standards for cross-connection control and requires each public water system to implement a cross-connection control program consistent with its provisions; and
- WHEREAS, compliance with the CCCPH is mandatory for all California public water systems; and
- **WHEREAS**, on July 1, 2024, the CCCPH requirements became effective and replaced the previous mandates found in Title 17, Section 7583-7605; and
- WHEREAS, to protect the public water system from contamination due to potential and actual cross-connections, the Elk Grove Water District (EGWD) has developed a Cross-Connection Control Program (CCCP) to comply with the CCCPH, which is available for public inspection and on EGWD's website.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE FLORIN RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS HEREBY DETERMINES AND ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

- SECTION 1. Recitals. The above recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein.
- SECTION 2. <u>Repeal and replace</u>. This ordinance including Exhibit A, Ordinance No. 09.16.25.01, repeals and replaces Ordinance No. 02.15.22.01 in its entirety.
- SECTION 3. <u>Certification.</u> The Board Secretary shall certify the adoption of this Ordinance.
- SECTION 4. Ordinance Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect upon its adoption.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Florin Resource Conservation District Board of Directors on this 16th day of September 2025 by the following vote:

AYES: NOES: ABSENT: ABSTAIN:

Tom Nelson

Signed by:

Chair

ATTEST:

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Stefani Phillips
Board Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Gavin Ralph

Signed by:

Legal Counsel

EXHIBIT "A"

FLORIN RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT/ELK GROVE WATER DISTRICT "BACKFLOW AND CROSS-CONNECTION CONTROL ORDINANCE"

[Attached behind this cover page]

Florin Resource Conservation District/Elk Grove Water District Backflow and Cross-Connection Control Ordinance

Section 1. Purpose

The purpose of this Ordinance is:

- A. To protect Elk Grove Water District's (EGWD) public water system from contamination or pollution by isolating contaminants or pollutants within the customer's water system(s) that could otherwise backflow into the public water system; and
- B. To promote the elimination or control of existing cross-connections, actual and/or potential, within the customer's water system(s); and
- C. To implement an effective cross-connection control program (CCCP) in compliance with the State Water Resources Control Board's (SWRCB) Cross-Connection Control Policy Handbook (CCCPH), effective July 1, 2024, as amended, which establishes enforceable statewide standards for cross-connection control.

Section 2. Definitions

- A. The Water System consists of two parts:
 - 1. EGWD's public water system (PWS)
 - 2. Customer's water system (CWS)
 - 3. Where the PWS and CWS meet is defined as the point-of-connection (POC)

B. Point-of-Connection (POC)

- 1. Where the PWS meets the CWS.
 - a. For domestic and irrigation water, the POC is at the discharge point of the water meter.
 - b. For fire protection water, the POC is at or nearly at the point where the fire protection water service lateral ties into the PWS distribution main.

C. EGWD's Public Water System (PWS)

- 1. Consists of supply facilities and the distribution system, including all PWS facilities of the water system under the complete control of the EGWD, up to the POC where the CWS begins.
 - a. The supply facilities shall include all components of the facilities used in production, treatment, storage, and delivery of water to the distribution system.
 - b. The distribution system shall include the network of pipes used for the delivery of water from the supply facilities to the POCs.

D. Customer's Water System (CWS)

1. Consists of those parts of the facilities beyond the POC which are used in conveying potable water to points of use, and/or an auxiliary water supply

such as a private well, pond, rainwater cistern, or other non-public water system supply.

Section 3. Responsibilities

- A. EGWD shall implement and enforce a CCCP consistent with the CCCPH.
- B. The General Manager shall designate a CCCP Coordinator, who shall be certified as a cross-connection control specialist in compliance with the CCCPH, to conduct the reporting, tracking, and other administration duties of the CCCP.
- C. It shall be the customer's responsibility to comply with the CCCP and CCCPH.
- D. If EGWD determines that a backflow prevention assembly (BPA) is required at a POC for the protection of the PWS, EGWD shall notify the customer in writing. The customer shall install, test, and maintain the BPA at their expense within the timeframe required by EGWD.

Section 4. Cross-Connection Protection Requirements

The type of protection that shall be provided to prevent backflow into the PWS shall be commensurate with the degree of hazard, actual or potential, that exists in a CWS. Unprotected cross-connections with the PWS are prohibited. The minimum types of backflow protection required to protect the approved water supply at a POC are listed in the CCCP. Only BPAs that comply with the CCCP shall be installed by a customer. Situations that are not covered in the CCCP shall be evaluated on a case-by-case basis and the appropriate backflow protection shall be determined by EGWD.

Section 5. Enforcement

- A. EGWD shall have the authority to deny or discontinue water service to customers who fail to comply with the requirements of this Ordinance, the CCCP, or the CCCPH. Conditions or water uses that create a basis for water service termination shall include, but are not limited to, the following:
 - 1. Refusal to install or to test a BPA, or to repair or replace a faulty BPA.
 - 2. Unprotected direct or indirect connection between the PWS and a system or equipment containing contaminants.
 - 3. Unprotected direct or indirect connection between the PWS and an auxiliary water system.

Section 6. Fees, Fines, and Penalties

A. Backflow tag fees, testing fees, and shutoff fees shall be assessed in accordance with the Water Ordinance Schedule of Charges, Rates, Fees, and Deposits.

- B. BPAs that fail a test shall be repaired and retested within fourteen (14) calendar days of the initial test. Failure to complete the repair and retest within the required timeframe shall result in the following fines and penalties:
 - 1. A fine of one hundred dollars (\$100), and the BPA must be repaired and retested within the next fourteen (14) calendar days.
 - 2. If the BPA is not repaired and retested within that additional fourteen (14) day period, domestic water service shall be discontinued, and a shutoff fee of one hundred dollars (\$100) shall be assessed.

Section 7. Appeals

A. Any order or decision from EGWD's Cross-Connection Program Coordinator may be appealed in writing to the General Manager within ten (10) business days of the date of the order or decision. The General Manager's decision shall be final.

Section 8. Effective Date

A. This Ordinance shall take effect upon adoption.