RESOLUTION NO. 2024-08

ST. VRAIN WATER AUTHORITY

BOULDER, LARIMER AND WELD COUNTIES, COLORADO

A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE WEBSITE ACCESSIBILITY OFFICER AND ADOPTING A WEBSITE ACCESSIBILITY POLICY FOR THE ST. VRAIN WATER AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, the St. Vrain Water Authority ("Authority") is a quasi-municipal corporation and political subdivision of the State of Colorado established pursuant to the St. Vrain Water Authority Establishing Contract; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Establishing Contract and C.R.S. 29-1-204.2, the Authority's Board of Directors ("Board") is charged with conducting the business and affairs of the Authority; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to HB 21-1110, all public entities are required to have a Website Accessibility Policy ("Policy") adopted and in place by July 1, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that it is appropriate to designate an accessibility officer in order to provide accessible facilities, elements, and channels of communication to all members of the public through the Authority's website; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that it is appropriate to adopt a Policy regarding the Authority's website accessibility; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the St. Vrain Water Authority that:

1. Website Accessibility Officer.

- (a) Rusti Roberto, is hereby designated as the Website Accessibility Officer ("Accessibility Officer") for the Authority and is responsible for the uploading, maintenance, and care of the data on the Authority's website.
- (b) The Accessibility Officer shall have the authority to designate such agents as the Officer shall determine appropriate to perform any and all acts necessary to enforce and execute the provisions of this Resolution.

- **2.** <u>Website Requirements</u>. The Authority will use its best efforts to always have a website in compliance with Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG 2.1) and commercial screen reading software.
- **3. Policy**. The Policy attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by this reference, is hereby adopted as the official Website Accessibility Policy for the Authority. This policy will be posted on the Authority's website.
- **4.** <u>Severability</u>. 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.
- **5.** <u>Effective Date</u>. This Resolution shall take effect and be enforced immediately upon its adoption by the Board of Directors of the Authority.

The foregoing Resolution was approved and adopted this 13th day of May, 2024.

ST. VRAIN WATER AUTHORITY

By: /s/ Julie Pasillas, President

Attest:

/s/ Dave Lindsay, Secretary

EXHIBIT A WEBSITE ACCESSIBILITY POLICY

This accessibility policy ("Accessibility Policy") was approved by the St. Vrain Water Authority ("Authority") Board of Directors on May 13, 2024.

The Authority is fully committed to providing accessible facilities, elements, and channels of communication to all members of the public. As part of this commitment, the Authority has a policy of providing an accessible website compatible with the Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG 2.1) and commercial screen reading software. All features of the website will be coded to allow individuals with vision and other impairments to understand and use the website to the same degree as someone without disabilities. We welcome feedback and can often resolve issues in a timely manner if they arise.

If you need any special assistance or accommodations, please contact our accessibility officer at rusti.roberto@stvrainwaterauthority.com or 303-531-6272.

Ongoing Compliance Information

Compliance Officer

The Authority has designated Rusti Roberto, as its compliance officer for website disability-related accommodations. The compliance officer has received training in website accessibility and updates the site in accordance with those best practices. Contact our accessibility officer to report an issue.

Compliance Procedures and Reports

In addition to annual testing with users with a wide range of disabilities and coding our website to WCAG standards, the Authority regularly scans its website to ensure ongoing compliance and makes timely changes to any inaccessible items, if any are found. For purposes of enhancing our commitment to transparency, the Authority will make the last three months of its reports available to the public.

Linked Documents and Third Parties

Please note that this site may link out to third-party websites, such as state or federal agencies, that do not have accessible content. This site may also include documents provided by third parties included in our agenda packets, for example. While we cannot control the accessibility of content provided by third parties, we are happy to assist any member of the public with reading and accessing content on our site.

Please contact our accessibility officer at <u>rusti.roberto@stvrainwaterauthority.com</u>, or 303-531-6272 if you have an issue or see any areas that need improvement.

Report an Accessibility Issue

We are committed to your ability to access all content. Any issues or requests reported will be responded to by the compliance officer or designee within 2 business days.