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Date: November 30, 2020

To: Heber City Council, Mayor, Planning, and Engineering

Subject: Discharge of storm water generated within Municipal boundaries

Wasatch County recently received a letter from North Field Irrigation Company rejecting any storm water discharge from the North Village development area East of Highway 40. The County feels it would be good to let the Municipalities know what its policy is for the potential of storm water discharge generated within Municipalities and attempting to discharge into the unincorporated areas of the County. County policy for development within the unincorporated areas of the County requires storm water generated from within a proposed development to be retained within that development and in some cases detained. We would expect the same from the Municipalities. The County has learned through years of development in mountainous area, that storm water retainage can be very difficult due to the steep slopes and lack of flat land for retaining storm water. In some cases, the County has required a decrease of density to accommodate the storm water issues. In the case of the North Fields Irrigation Company's letter, the County supports the Irrigation Company in its effort to protect individuals', their properties, the Irrigation Companies infrastructure, and the pristine area of the North Fields. In future cases where this issue may arise, the County requests that any request for storm water discharge from a Municipality into the unincorporated areas of the County be requested to the Wasatch County Water Board. That board has the Irrigation Companies represented and has the understanding to evaluate that type of request. Complete Engineering and designs will be needed to properly evaluate whether or not a storm water discharge will be accepted.

Thank you for your cooperation on this issue.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Mike Davis".

Mike Davis
Wasatch County Manager

Cc: County Council