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28E AGREEMENT

BETWEEN WOODBURY COUNTY, IOWA, and the WOODBURY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT for FUNDING AND MANAGEMENT of a WATERSHED INSPECTION and MAINTENANCE PROGRAM in WOODBURY COUNTY, STATE OF IOWA

This Agreement is entered into this <u>24</u>th day of <u>June</u>, 2025, by and between: Woodbury County, Iowa (hereinafter "County"), located at 620 Douglas Street, Rm. 104, Sioux City, Iowa 51101 and the Woodbury Soil and Water Conservation District (hereinafter "SWCD"), located at 204 First Street, Ste 225, Sergeant Bluff, Iowa 51054. This Agreement is entered into pursuant to Chapter 28E of the Code of Iowa.

1) **PURPOSE**

This Agreement is entered into between the County and the SWCD for the purpose of providing the terms under which the Parties agree to fund and manage a watershed inspection and maintenance program in Woodbury County as sponsors of the Little Sioux River Flood Protection Project. –This project involves approximately 460 grade stabilization control structures which have been constructed with federal funds and local contributions since 1949. The Parties do not intend to create a separate legal entity under this Agreement. This Agreement shall not be construed as to affect the parties' underlying obligations in any Operation and Maintenance Agreement or Easement, nor shall this Agreement be construed in a manner that makes any permissive action authorized by an Operation and Maintenance Agreement or Easement mandatory.

2) TERM

This Agreement shall begin on July 1, 2025, and terminate on June 30, 2026. The Agreement may be extended by the written agreement of all parties on terms stated

therein.

3) ADMINISTRATION

This Agreement shall be administered by the SWCD. All administrative decisions concerning this Agreement shall be undertaken pursuant to the terms outlined below.

4) HOLDING OF PROPERTY UNDER THIS AGREEMENT

All real and personal property used or acquired under the terms of this Agreement shall be held in the name of the SWCD.

5) **COUNTY RESPONSIBILITIES**

The County shall provide the SWCD with funds in the amount of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00), payable in installments of Seventeen Thousand Dollars (\$17,000.00), due July 1, 2025; Seventeen Thousand Dollars (\$17,000.00), due January 1, 2026, and Sixteen Thousand Dollars (\$16,000.00) due June 1, 2026. Payments shall be sent to the SWCD office at 204 First Street, Ste 225, Sergeant Bluff, IA 51054. The funds provided to the SWCD by the County shall be used by the SWCD to employ individuals to inspect and maintain the watershed structures described in paragraph 1 of this Agreement to the extent authorized by the relevant Operation and Maintenance Agreement and Easement. The individuals employed by the SWCD will record the condition of, and maintenance work performed on, each structure inspected. Other related duties will be performed by the individuals employed by the SWCD, as outlined in a position description prepared for the position by the SWCD.

6) **SWCD RESPONSIBILITIES**

The SWCD shall employ individuals to inspect and maintain the watershed structures described in paragraph 1 of this Agreement to the extent feasible based on the funding and other resources available. The individuals employed by the SWCD will record the condition of, and maintenance work performed on, each structure inspected. The SWCD shall supervise the individuals employed as employees of the SWCD and shall indemnify and hold harmless the County for any negligence on the part of the individuals employed by the SWCD to the extent allowable by Iowa Code Chapter 669. The individuals employed by the SWCD may represent the SWCD in performing all types of watershed work.

7) **FINANCING**

The SWCD shall pay all costs associated with the administration of this Agreement, except as provided in paragraph 5 of this Agreement.

8) **AMENDMENT**

This Agreement may be amended from time to time by written agreement of the Parties. All amendments shall be in writing, signed by both Parties, and electronically filed with the Secretary of State as required by Iowa Code section 28E.8 (2025).

9) **TERMINATION**

Either party may terminate this Agreement at any time with 120 days written notice to the other party. Upon termination of this Agreement, the Parties agree to use their best efforts to wrap up all operations undertaken pursuant to this Agreement. In the event of a conflict as to the distribution of any real or personal property, such conflict shall be resolved between the parties by arbitration paid for equally between the disputing parties.

10) NOTICES

Whenever notices and correspondence are to be given under this Agreement, the notices shall be given by personal delivery to the other party, or sent by mail, postage prepaid, to the other party as follows:

To the County

To the SWCD

Woodbury County	Woodbury SWCD
Board of Supervisors	204 First Street, Ste 225
620 Douglas St Rm 104	Sergeant Bluff, IA 51054
Sioux City, IA 51101	

11) APPLICABLE LAW

This Agreement is to be governed by the laws of the State of Iowa.

12) FILING

It is agreed that the County will electronically file this Agreement with the Secretary of State as required by Iowa Code section 28E.8 (2025).

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, and in consideration of the mutual covenants set forth herein and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt, adequacy, and legal sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties have entered into this 28E Agreement and have caused their duly authorized representatives to execute this 28E Agreement.

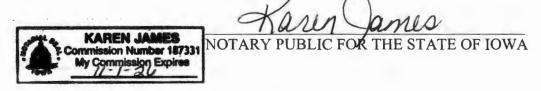
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DATE: 6/24/2025

Daniel Bittinger II, Chairperson Woodbury County Board of Supervisors

STATE OF IOWA, WOODBURY COUNTY: This instrument was acknowledged before me on the 24^{m} day of 2025, by Daniel Bittinger II, as Chairperson of the Woodbury County Board of Supervisors.



WOODBURY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

BY:

DATE: 6/6/25

Jason Yockey, Chairperson Woodbury Soil and Water Conservation District

STATE OF IOWA, WOODBURY COUNTY: This instrument was acknowledged before me on the day of <u>June</u>, 2025, by Jason Yockey, as Chairperson of the Woodbury Soil and Water Conservation District.



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