

# JOINT DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT

This Joint Development Agreement is entered into and made effective as of August 30, 2022, by and between the **Brown County Regional Sewer District** ("BCRSD") and the **Helmsburg Regional Sewer District** ("Helmsburg RSD").

Now, therefore, BCRSD and Helmsburg RSD agree as follows:

## Format of Agreement

BCRSD and Helmsburg RSD have agreed to use the format below to set forth their agreements, understandings and commitments to each other.

## Preliminary Statements

The mission of each of BCRSD and Helmsburg RSD is to provide efficient, reliable and effective sanitary wastewater solutions to their constituents in a manner that limits human wastes from polluting our natural environment.

BCRSD and Helmsburg RSD have agreed to combine some of their resources and manpower in an effort to secure funds for preliminary engineering studies, environmental assessments, systems design, property acquisitions and related matters regarding the 135/45 corridors in and about Bean Blossom and Helmsburg to Lake Lemon (including areas along North Shore and South Shore Drives).

## BCRSD Action Items

BCRSD has received \$300,000 in ARPA funds to use for the following and other purposes:

- Contract with an engineering firm
- Complete preliminary engineering design of possible wastewater collection systems
- Assess possible property locations for lift stations and wastewater collection systems
- Complete and assess environmental and other studies
- Complete aerial photography and mapping
- Prepare documents for possible funding from SRF, RD, OCRA and other sources of grants and loans
- Hire a rate consultant and complete preliminary rate studies for Bean Blossom, Helmsburg and Lake Lemon project areas

- Contract legal assistance for property acquisition, securing easements, preparation of construction-level documents, obtaining permits and licenses
- Set aside monies for leveraging and matching any available SWIF grants and loans administered by IFA
- Prepare applications for SWIF and SRF grants and loans administered by IFA and RD grants and loans
- Maintain its website at browncountyrds.org

### Helmsburg RSD Action Items

Helmsburg RSD has received \$275,000 in ARPA funds to use for the following and other purposes:

- Contract with an engineering firm
- Complete preliminary engineering design of a new or increased capacity wastewater treatment plant and prepare permit modifications
- Contract legal assistance for preparation of construction-level documents and obtaining necessary permits and licenses
- Prepare application and supporting documents for IDEM permit modifications
- Prepare applications for SWIF grants and loans, SRF grants and loans, and RD grants and loans

#### Definitions:

ARPA: American Rescue Plan Act

IFA: Indiana Finance Authority

SRF: IFA State Revolving Fund

RAP: SRF Regional Assistance Program

RD: USDA Rural Development

SECD: RD's Strategic Economic Community Development

SWIF: Indiana State Wastewater Infrastructure Plan

ROI: Regional Opportunities Initiatives, Inc.

OCRA: Office of Community Affairs

RCAP: Rural Communities Assistance Program

Collaborative Efforts

The respective Boards of BCRSD and Helmsburg RSD are working to pursue funding to design/develop and operate infrastructure projects, whether together or separately as opportunities arise. The foregoing includes jointly-filed applications for grants and loans.

Oversight Committee

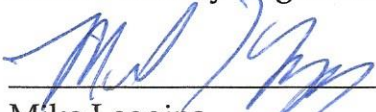
For these purposes, BCRSD appoints Clint Studabaker and Phil LeBlanc as its representatives and Helmsburg RSD appoints Brian Webb and Kyle Myers as its representatives.

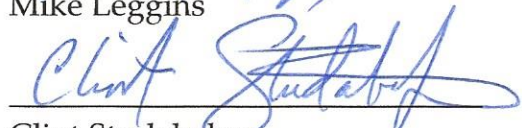
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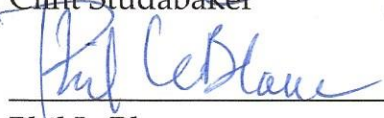
This Joint Development Agreement shall remain in effect until January 1, 2024, unless extended or terminated by mutual agreement.

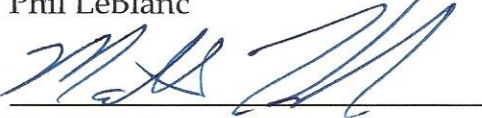
In witness whereof, all of the members of the respective Boards of BCRSD and Helmsburg RSD have signed this Joint Development Agreement.


**Brown County Regional Sewer District**

  
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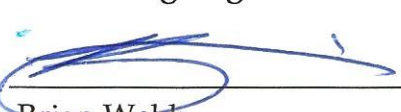
  
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