South Placer Municipal Utility District Code

APPENDIX A – DEFINITIONS

- Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU): As defined in California Government Code Sections 66313, and as may be amended in the future.
- **Appeal**: A request for a review of the General Manager's determination or action pursuant to, or in interpretation of, any provision of the South Placer Municipal Utility District Sewer Code.
- **Appellant**: A person, as defined in Appendix A of the South Placer Municipal Utility District Sewer Code, who requests a review of the General Manager's determination or action, pursuant to, or in interpretation of, any provision of the South Placer Municipal Utility District Sewer Code.
- **Applicant**: The owner or authorized agent of the owner who submits a request or application through processes outlined by the South Placer Municipal Utility District Sewer Code (Code), or by the South Placer Municipal District generally for permits, credits, or other applicable items pursuant to the provisions of this Code.,
- **Benefit Area**: The area comprising all lands benefited by the improvements, or any portion thereof, acquired or constructed pursuant to the South Placer Municipal Utility District Sewer Code with respect to which a reimbursement agreement has been entered into.
- **Benefitted Property**: Any parcel or parcels of improved or unimproved real property benefited by any improvement, or any portion thereof, acquired or constructed pursuant to the South Placer Municipal Utility District Sewer Code with respect to which a reimbursement agreement has been entered into.
- **Best Management Practices (BMPs)**: Activities, prohibitions, maintenance procedures, and other management practices to prevent or reduce the direct or indirect introduction of Fats, Oils and Grease (FOG) into the public sewer.
- **Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD)**: The quantity of Oxygen utilized in the biochemical oxidation of organic matter under standard laboratory procedure, five (5) days at twenty (20) degrees centigrade expressed in terms of weight and concentration (milligrams per liter, mg/l).
- **Board of Directors (Board)**: The legislative body of the South Placer Municipal Utility District.

- **Building Drain**: The part of the lowest horizontal piping of a drainage system that receives the discharge from waste and other drainage pipes inside the walls of the building and conveys it to the building sewer two (2) feet outside the outer face of the building wall.
- **Building Sewer**: A pipeline connecting a building drain to a public sewer, consisting of an upper lateral and a lower lateral.
- **Capacity Charge**: A charge for public facilities in existence at the time a charge is imposed or charges for new public facilities to be acquired or constructed in the future that are of proportional benefit to the person or property being charged, including supply or capacity contracts for rights or entitlements, real property interests, and entitlements and other rights of the local agency involving capital expense relating to its use of existing or new public facilities. A "capacity charge" does not include a commodity charge. The Capacity Charge shall be paid to the South Placer Municipal Utility District (District) in lawful money of the United States by any person, for the privilege of connecting to the District's facilities, whether such connection is voluntary or mandatory. The District's facilities shall include local collection systems, trunk lines, treatment plants, and capacity.
- **Change in Operations**: Any change in the ownership, food types, or operational procedures that have the potential to change the amount of Fats, Oils and Grease (FOG) discharged by Food Service Establishments (FSEs).
- **Chemical Oxygen Demand (COD)**: The measurement of the oxygen required to oxidize soluble and particulate organic matter in water expressed in terms of weight and concentration (milligrams per liter,mg/l).
- **Code**: The South Placer Municipal Utility District Sewer Code, as adopted by the Board of Directors, to govern the rules and regulations for services provided by the South Placer Municipal Utility District.
- **Collection System**: Portions of the public sewer consisting of all pipes, sewers, and conveyance systems conveying wastewater to the publicly owned treatment works excluding privately owned sewer lateral line connections.
- **Collector Sewer**: The public sanitary sewer main to which various buildings or private sewers are connected, owned, and operated by the South Placer Municipal Utility District.
- **Compliance Schedule**: A time schedule, enforceable under the provisions of the South Placer Municipal Utility District Sewer Code that contains increments of progress (e.g. milestones, in the form of dates). These milestones shall be for the commencement and/or completion of major events leading to the construction and operation of additional pretreatment facilities or the implementation of policies, procedures, or

operational management techniques required for permittees to comply with all applicable federal, state, or local environmental regulations which may directly or indirectly affect the quality of the permittee's wastewater.

- **Customer**: The building or property owner listed on the utility's records as the customer liable for payment of the sewer service or additional charges assessed on the sewer account.
- **Developer or Subdivider**: Any person or business or business process, whose activities range from the renovation and re-lease of existing buildings to the purchase of raw land and the sale of developed land or parcels to others.
- **Discharger**: Any person who discharges or causes a discharge of wastewater directly or indirectly to the public sewer.
- **District**: The South Placer Municipal Utility District, a statutorily created district operating under the authority of and pursuant to the provisions of the California Municipal Utility District Act (Public Utility Code commencing at Section 11501 et seq).
- **District Engineer**: The District Engineer of the South Placer Municipal Utility District (District) as appointed by the General Manager, or any District employee or agent of the District authorized to act on their behalf.
- **District's Office (District Office)**: The main office for the South Placer Municipal Utility District, located at:

5807 Springview Drive Rocklin, CA 95677

District Specifications: The Standard Specifications and Improvement Standards for Sanitary Sewers prepared and ordered effective by the General Manager pursuant to the provisions of Section 11937(e) of the Municipal Utility District Act, Division 6, of the Public Utilities Code, State of California and as delineated in Chapter 5 of the South Placer Municipal Utility District Sewer Code (Code). All work associated with wastewater systems shall be performed pursuant to and in compliance with this Code and the South Placer Municipal District Specifications.

Domestic Wastewater: Wastes originating in a residential facility or dwelling.

- **Equivalent Dwelling Unit (EDU)**: The unit of measurement used to determine design and fee requirements based on the typical average flow and strength of wastewater from a single-family residential occupancy.
- Fats, Oils and Grease (FOG): Non-petroleum organic polar compounds derived from animal or plant sources such as fats, non-hydrocarbons, fatty acids, soaps, waxes,

and oils that contain multiple carbon chain triglyceride molecules. These substances are detectable and measurable using analytical procedures established in the 40 CFR Part 136.

- **Fats, Oils and Grease (FOG) Control Program**: The program developed by the South Placer Municipal Utility District, as required by, and pursuant to, State Water Resources Control Board Order No. 2006-0003, and any subsequent modifications.
- **Fats, Oils and Grease Wastewater Discharge Permit (FOG WDP)**: A permit issued by the South Placer Municipal Utility District, subject to the requirements and conditions established by the General Manager, authorizing a permittee to discharge wastewater from a Food Service Establishment (FSE) into the public sewer.
- **Fee Schedule**: The fee schedule adopted by the South Placer Municipal Utility District Board of Directors annually to establish rates, charges, and other fees that may be imposed by the District.
- **Food Grinder**: Any device installed in the plumbing or sewage system for the purpose of grinding food or food waste, also commercially called a garbage disposal.
- Food Service Establishment (FSE): Any facility, including but not limited to, any commercial entity within the boundaries of the South Placer Municipal Utility District (District), operating in a permanently constructed structure such as a room, building, or place, or portion thereof, maintained, used or operated for the purpose of storing, preparing, serving, manufacturing, packaging or otherwise handling food for sale to other entities, or for consumption by the public, its members or employees, and which has any process or device that uses or produces Fats, Oils and Grease (FOG), grease vapors, steam, fumes, smoke or odors that are required to be removed by an exhaust hood pursuant to California Health and Safety Code section 114149.1 or in accordance with the California Uniform Retail Food Facilities Law (CURFFL) (California Health and Safety Code sections 113700, et seq.). A limited food preparation establishment may not be considered to be a Food Service Establishment (FSE) when engaged only in reheating, hot holding, or assembly of ready-to-eat food products, provided that there is no wastewater discharge containing a significant amount of FOG. Mobile food trucks are considered a Food Service Establishment (FSE) and are subject to the requirements of the South Placer Municipal Utility District Sewer Code.
- **Garbage**: Solid wastes from the preparation, cooking, and dispensing of food and from the handling, storage, and sale of produce.
- **General Manager**: The General Manager as appointed by the Board of Directors of the South Placer Municipal Utility District (District) in accordance with the California Municipal Utility District Act (Public Utility Code commencing at Section 11501 et seq)

or any District employee or agent of the District authorized by the General Manager to act on their behalf to enforce the provisions of this code.

- **Grab Sample**: A sample taken from a waste stream on a one-time basis without regard to the flow in the waste stream and without consideration of time.
- **Gravity Grease Interceptor (GGI)**: A plumbing appurtenance or appliance that is installed in a sanitary drainage system to intercept non-petroleum Fats, Oils and Grease (FOG) from a wastewater discharge and is identified by volume, baffle(s), not less than two compartments, and gravity separation. Gravity grease interceptors are installed outside. Approved designs shall be certified to IAPMO / ANSI Z1001.
- **Grease Control Device (GCD)**: Any hydromechanical grease interceptor, grease removal device, gravity grease interceptor, mechanism, device, or process that attaches to, or is applied to, wastewater plumbing fixtures and lines, the purpose of which is to trap, collect or treat Fats, Oils and Grease (FOG) prior to it being discharged into the public sewer. A grease control device may also include any other proven method to reduce FOG subject to the approval of the General Manager.
- **Grease Removal Device (GRD)**: Any hydromechanical grease interceptor that automatically, mechanically removes non-petroleum Fats, Oils and Grease (FOG) from the interceptor, the control of which is automatically initiated. Grease Removal Devices (GRDs) shall be certified to ASME A112.14.4 and/or CSA B481.5.
- **Hot Spots**: Areas in the collection system of sewer lines that must be cleaned or maintained frequently to avoid blockages of the public sewer caused by Fats, Oils and Grease (FOG).
- **Hydromechanical Grease Interceptor (HGI)**: A plumbing appurtenance or appliance that is installed in a sanitary drainage system to intercept nonpetroleum Fats, Oils and Greases (FOG) from a wastewater discharge and is identified by flow rate, separation, and retention efficiency. The design incorporates air entrainment, hydromechanical separation, interior baffling, and/or barriers in combination or separately, and one of the following:
 - a. External flow control, with air intake (vent): directly connected.
 - b. External flow control, without air intake (vent): directly connected.
 - c. Without external flow control, directly connected.
 - d. Without external flow control, indirectly connected.

Hydromechanical grease interceptors shall be certified to ASME A112.14.3, CSA B4811, and/or PDI G101.

Industrial Wastewater: The liquid wastes originating from industrial processing.

- **Inspector**: Any person authorized by the General Manager to inspect any existing or proposed wastewater generation, conveyance, processing, and/or disposal facilities.
- **Junior Accessory Dwelling Unit (JADU)**: As defined in California Government Code Sections 66313, and as may be amended in the future.
- **Lower Lateral**: That part of building sewer within the public right-of-way, extending from the property line, typically at the Property Line Cleanout (PLCO), to the public sewer, by gravity flow.
- **Manifest**: The receipt that is retained by a permittee for the disposal of FOG, recyclable waste, and/or liquid waste.
- **Mobile Food Truck**: A Food Service Establishment (FSE) that is readily moveable from place to place at all times during operation and shall include but not be limited to pushcarts, trailers, trucks, vans, or boats.
- **Multiple Dwelling**: Any structure for residential occupancy consisting of more than one dwelling unit.
- **New Construction**: Any structure planned or under construction where the sewer facilities have not been approved by the South Placer Municipal Utility District (District).
- **Non-Dispersible**: Any item that requires more than twenty (20) seconds to begin to disperse, or break down, after contact with water. This includes "flushable products" that do not disperse, have structural strength, and do not tear easily, such as paper products, specifically paper towels and facial tissues, sanitary products such as baby wipes and other cleansing products that are indestructible and advertised as flushable but are non-dispersible.
- **Non-Residential Wastewater**: Wastewater originating from sources other than residential discharges.
- **Obstruction**: Any discharge which, alone or in combination with discharges from other sources, inhibits or ·disrupts the public sewer, operations, or is otherwise a violation of any South Placer Municipal Utility District Ordinance or Code, or any applicable State discharge requirements.
- **Occupant**: A person or business enterprise that has a legal right to reside or occupy a premises at a given time, including but not limited to, a person holding property, especially land, in actual possession, tenant or lessee.
- **Permittee**: The holder(s)of a permit issued by the South Placer Municipal Utility District subject to the requirements and conditions established in the South Placer Municipal

Utility District Sewer Code (Code) or as otherwise established by the General Manager, including but not limited to the holder(s) of a Fats, Oils, and Grease Wastewater Disposal Permit (FOG WDP) issued for a Food Service Establishment (FSE).

- **Person(s)**: Any individual, partnership, co-partnership, firm, company, association, society, corporation, joint stock company, trust, estate, governmental entity or any other legal entity, or their legal representatives, agents, or assigns. The masculine gender shall include the feminine and the singular shall include the plural where indicated by context.
- **pH**: The logarithm (base 10) of the reciprocal of the concentration of hydrogen ions expressed in grams per liter of solution.
- **Private Sewer**: Any sewer facilities which remain under private ownership by a single property owner.
- **Properly Shredded Garbage**: Wastes from the preparation, cooking, and dispensing of food that have been shredded to such degree that all particles will be carried freely under the flow conditions normally prevailing in public sewers, with no particle greater than 0.5 inches in any dimension.
- **Property Line Cleanout (PLCO)**: The publicly owned clean out installed on the building sewer near the public right-of-way, within the public utility easement, intended for access of the publicly owned lower lateral.
- **Property Owner (Owner)**: The record owner of the real property being served or to be served by the South Placer Municipal Utility District's (District's) wastewater system, or their duly authorized agent. The record owner of such real property shall be billed and liable to the District for the payment of all authorized fees, rates, tolls, rentals, or other charges. Also referred to as owner, real property owner, etc.
- Publicly Owned Treatment Works (POTW): A wastewater treatment plant as defined in Section 212 of the Clean Water Act (33 United States Code 1291). The South Placer Municipal Utility District's (District's) public sewer is a satellite wastewater collection system to the regional Publicly Owned Treatment Works (POTW) located in the City of Roseville.
- **Public Sewer**: A sewer in which all owners of abutting property have equal rights and is controlled by public authority.
- **Readily Accessible**: Capable of being accessed quickly, and without obstruction, for maintenance, repair, or inspection without requiring the South Placer Municipal Utility District (District) or its agents, to uncover, remove obstacles or repair sewer facilities to use.

- **Real Property (Property)**: Land and anything permanently attached to it including buildings, roads, other infrastructure, and the rights associated with it.
- **Remodeling**: Any physical alteration and/or operational change to a Food Service Establishment (FSE).
- **Sanitary Sewer**: A sewer that carries wastewater or sewage and to which storm, surface, and groundwaters are not intentionally admitted.
- **Sanitary Sewer Overflow (SSO)**: Any overflow, spill, release, discharge, or diversion of untreated or partially treated wastewater from a sanitary sewer system.
- Schedule of Values for Pipeline Construction Costs: A table adopted by the District annually that represents the new cost of construction for various sewer system assets.
- **Secretary of the Board of Directors**: The Administrative Services Manager of the South Placer Municipal Utility District as appointed by the General Manager, or any District employee or agent of the District authorized to act on their behalf.
- **Service Charge**: The periodic charge assessed to the property owner by the South Placer Municipal Utility District (District) for the capability of conveying, treating, and disposing of wastewater.
- **Sewer Facilities (Sewer System)**: Any and all facilities used for collecting, conveying, pumping, treating, and disposing of wastewater.
- **Sewer Lateral**: A Building Sewer as defined in the latest edition of the Uniform Plumbing Code (UPC). It is the wastewater connection between the building's wastewater drain facilities and a public sewer.
- **Sewer Permit**: Written authorization from the South Placer Municipal Utility District to perform construction or maintenance on a building sewer.
- **Single Family Residence (SFR)**: Any free-standing structure used for residential occupancy and consisting of one dwelling unit (excluding any free-standing structure which is an Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) within the meaning of California Government Code and the South Placer Municipal Utility Sewer Code (Code)).
- **State**: The State of California, inclusive of all legislative codes and regulations lawfully adopted.
- **Structure**: A building or other constructed facility used for human occupancy, employment, recreation, or other purposes.
- **Suspended Solids**: The total suspended matter that floats on the surface of, or is suspended in, water, wastewater, or other liquids, and is removable by laboratory

filtering.

- **Trunk Sewer Mains and Major Facilities**: Trunk sewer upgrades and expansion facilities that have been identified by the South Placer Municipal Utility District's (District's) System Evaluation and Capacity Assurance Plan (SECAP) as necessary to serve new development within the District's service area boundaries and which in the General Manager's determination are suitable both in terms of size, scope, expense and general benefit to the District so as to be eligible for credits and/or reimbursements under the provisions of the South Placer Municipal Utility District Sewer Code.
- **Uniform Plumbing Code (UPC)**: The most current edition of the Uniform Plumbing Code (UPC) published by the International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials (IAPMO).
- **Upper Sewer Lateral**: That part of the building sewer that runs from two (2) feet outside the outer face of the building wall to the public right-of-way. The upper lateral is privately owned and maintained.
- **User**: Any person who contributes, causes, or permits the contribution of wastewater into the public sewer and the Publicly Owned Treatment Works (POTW).
- **Wastewater**: The liquid and water carrying industrial or domestic waste from dwellings, commercial buildings, industrial facilities, Food Service Establishments (FSEs), and institutions, whether treated or untreated, that is discharged into or permitted to enter the public sewer and the Publicly Owned Treatment Works (POTW).
- **Wastewater Collection System**: The pipe system and appurtenances for collecting and carrying water and water-carried wastes from domestic, non-residential, and industrial sources to a wastewater treatment plant (WWTP).
- **Wastewater System**: All facilities for collecting, pumping, treating, and disposing of wastewater.
- **Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP)**: An arrangement of pipes, equipment, devices, tanks, and structures for treating wastewater and industrial wastes.
- **Water Course**: A natural or manmade channel in which a flow of water occurs, either continually or intermittently.