

ACCEPTANCE OF PETITIONS FOR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, and, particularly, to the electors of the Upper Black Squirrel Creek Ground Water Management District of El Paso County, Colorado.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Upper Black Squirrel Creek Ground Water Management District is now accepting nomination petitions for election to the Board of Directors of the District. The petitions are available at the district office located at 1500 8th Street inside Farmers State Bank in Calhan. The petitions need to be turned in to the district office **no later than 3:00 P.M. on Tuesday, January 2nd, 2024** (35 days before the election). The Divisions that are due for election are Divisions 1, 3, & 4 of the Upper Black Squirrel Creek Ground Water Management District for four (4) year terms, except for Division 1, which is a two (2) year term. **TO QUALIFY YOU MUST BE A RESIDENT TAXPAYING ELECTOR IN SUCH DIVISION OR RESIDE WITHIN THE DESIGNATED GROUND WATER BASIN AND BE A RESIDENT AGRICULTURIST WHO OWNS AND ACTIVELY FARMS OR RANCHES LAND LOCATED WITHIN SUCH DIVISION. See C.R.S. §37-90-121(1)(b)**

“Taxpaying elector” means a person qualified to vote at general elections in Colorado, who owns real or personal property within the district and has paid ad valorem taxes thereon in the **twenty months** immediately preceding a designated time or event, which property is subject to taxation at the time of any election held under the provisions of this article or at any other time in reference to which the term “taxpaying elector” is used. A person who is obligated to pay taxes under a contract to purchase real property in the district shall be considered an owner. The ownership of any property subject to the payment of a specific ownership tax on a motor vehicle or trailer or of any other excise or property tax other than general ad valorem property taxes **shall not** constitute the ownership of property subject to taxation as provided in this article. See C.R.S. §37-90-103(18)

The election will be held on **Tuesday, February 6th, 2024, from 7:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M.** If you are interested in running for the Board of directors, please contact the district office at 719-510-0780 to see if you qualify. Office hours are Tuesday through Thursday 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. **Please note the office will be closed from November 22nd, 2023 through November 28th, 2023, and from December 22nd, 2023 through December 26th, 2023 for the holidays.**

If the Designated Election Official (DEO) determines that the nomination petition is not sufficient, the eligible elector who submitted the form may amend the form once, at any time prior to **3:00 P.M., on January 2nd, 2024. The deadline to submit the petition is Tuesday, January 2nd, 2024** (the 35th day before the election). Earlier submittal is encouraged as the deadline will not permit curing an insufficient form.

Tracy Doran

Designated Election Official (DEO)

Upper Black Squirrel Creek Ground Water Management District