



**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF PITKIN COUNTY, COLORADO, RECOGNIZING THE EMMA CAUCUS
RESOLUTION NO. ~~012~~ 2005**

RECITALS

1. The residents of the Emma/Sopris Creek area wish to form an officially recognized Caucus. The Caucus area generally includes public and private lands accessed off of the Emma Road, Sopris Creek, and East and West Sopris Creek Roads in Pitkin County, as depicted on the map attached to this Resolution as Exhibit "A."
2. Formation of a Caucus is permitted subject to compliance with Article Four of the Pitkin County Home Rule Charter. After satisfying itself that the provisions of this article have been met, the Board of County Commissioners is authorized to recognize the caucus and establish the caucus area by resolution.
3. The following provisions of the Home Rule Charter regarding the recognition of Caucuses have been addressed by residents as required:
 - a. On November 6, 2004 a mailing was sent to all property owners in the Emma/Sopris Creek area to notify them of a meeting on December 6, 2004, scheduled to discuss formation of a Caucus. All but one of 45 resident/property owners in attendance at the meeting voted to form a Caucus.
 - b. Proposed bylaws were drafted by a subcommittee, and reviewed and approved at a meeting of residents on January 10, 2005. As required by the Charter, the bylaws address all operating procedures, including composition, voting procedures and function of the Caucus as a recommending body "for all planning matters affecting the caucus area, as well as other County matters affecting the caucus area including, but not limited to, budgetary and work program matters." A copy of the approved Bylaws are attached as Exhibit "B."

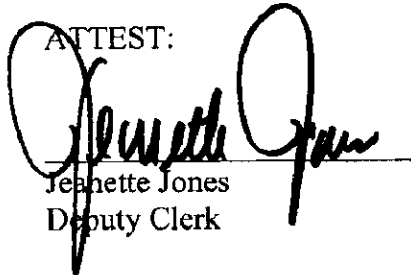
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners of Pitkin County, Colorado hereby officially recognizes the *Emma/Sopris Creek Caucus*, with boundaries shown on the map attached hereto as Exhibit "A;" and awards the Caucus all functions set forth in Article IV of the Pitkin County Home Rule Charter.

INTRODUCED, FIRST READ AT A NOTICED PUBLIC MEETING ON THE 23rd DAY OF MARCH, 2005.

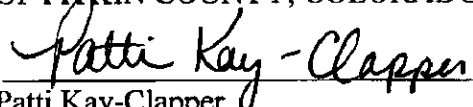
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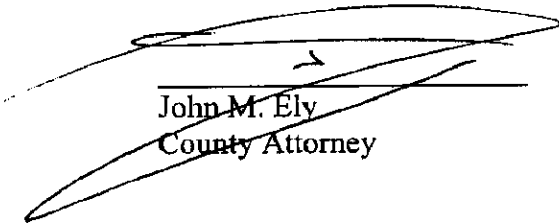
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ATTEST:

Jeanette Jones
Deputy Clerk

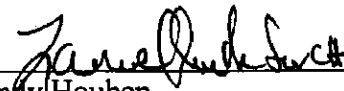
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF PITKIN COUNTY, COLORADO


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EXHIBIT "B"

**AMENDED BY-LAWS
OF THE
EMMA CAUCUS**

I. FUNCTION

The purpose of the Emma Caucus is to provide a forum in which residents of the caucus are, as defined in these by-laws, and come together for the express purpose of discussing topics of mutual concern and informing the community and, when appropriate, formulating consolidated positions on matters which are then transmitted to appropriate private and/or public agencies, boards and organizations for their consideration. We are committed to taking a long-term view of matters and measuring the impact of current issues on our long-term vision. We recognize that change is inevitable. We will actively advocate positions that are respectful of the long-term vision.

We seek to be an inclusive entity that welcomes all who express interest in participation in our community process. We are unified in our desire to enhance, preserve and protect the specific interests of the community and improve the quality of life available to its residents. We wish to build and enhance a true "sense of community" among residents of the caucus area, and will plan activities that will increase the level of "knowing one another" and encourage amicable interactions.

We are mindful of the wide diversity of views represented among our residents and will conduct our business in such a manner that divergent views are heard and acknowledged as we seek to reach agreement on what is right for our neighborhood.

The Emma Caucus may seek to align itself with other associations, caucuses or groups to the extent consistent with the long-term vision of the caucus.

II. CAUCUS AREA

The boundaries of the Emma Caucus shall be as follows:

See Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated herein.

III. MEMBERSHIP

The membership of the Emma Caucus shall consist of all the qualified electors who reside in the caucus area, together with the non-resident owners of real property within the caucus area.



IV. VOTING

Each caucus member shall have one (1) vote on all matters appropriate for caucus voting.

V. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

There shall be an Executive Committee consisting of a Moderator and a Secretary/Treasurer, plus three to seven additional representatives from the caucus area. The Executive Committee shall be formed with an odd number of representatives to reduce the possibility of a deadlock. The members of the Executive Committee shall be elected at a meeting of the caucus and shall serve for a term of one year. Alternate members may be elected to serve when a given member is not available to perform his/her functions on the Executive Committee. Members may be elected to an indefinite number of terms. The job of the Executive Committee shall be to help organize meetings, set the agenda and to act as representatives of the above-mentioned areas of the caucus to promote a direct communication network within the caucus boundaries. The Executive Committee shall appoint from within its membership a Moderator and Secretary/Treasurer whose jobs shall be as defined herein. A majority of the Executive Committee members present at any properly noticed regular or special meeting shall have the authority to issue a position statement, opinion or recommendation of the Caucus.

VI. MEETINGS / NOTICE

Executive Committee meetings shall be held monthly and shall be open to members of the caucus area. Special meetings shall be held as deemed necessary by the Executive Committee. Notice of special meetings will be provided by mail, facsimile or e-mail to caucus members. A quorum shall consist of five (5) caucus members present at any caucus meeting.

VII. THE MODERATOR

Duties will be to schedule the meeting time, run the meetings, and keep a copy of all information sent from the County regarding the caucus area. He/She will, together with the Secretary/Treasurer, go over the information obtained from the county and sort out what is useful and important enough to be sent to the caucus members. He/She will make available all information obtained from the County to any caucus member wishing to see it. In addition, the Moderator shall act as spokesperson for the caucus unless another person is appointed for a specific issue. The Moderator shall make available his/her fax number and e-mail address to all caucus members. The Moderator will conduct all duties in a reasonably timely fashion.

VIII. THE SECRETARY/TREASURER

Duties shall be to handle the bulk of administrative duties such as to field phone calls and e-mails, contact all caucus members in advance of a scheduled meeting, maintain a current

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neighborhood mailing list, keep a record of the agendas from every meeting, including any voting results, handle all money matters, including collection, keep monies in an account separate from personal funds, distribute funds for business purposes of the caucus approved by the Executive Committee, keep records regarding the distribution of funds and send out correspondence the Executive Committee feels is necessary. He/She will make available his/her phone number fax number and e-mail address to all caucus members. The Secretary/Treasurer will conduct all duties in a reasonably timely fashion.

IX. CONTRIBUTIONS

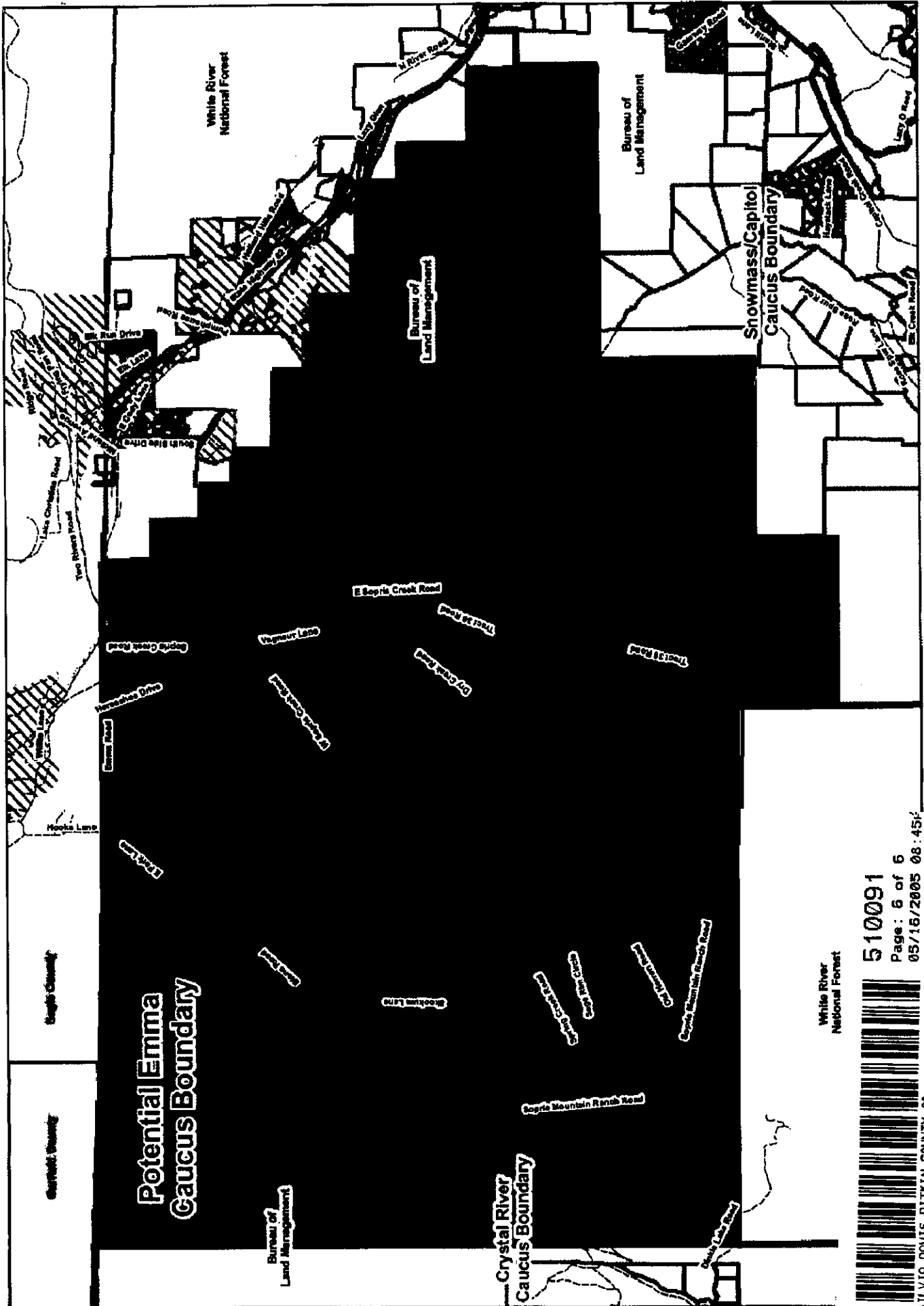
Contributions will be sought from caucus members and will be expected based on each member's ability to contribute.

X. AMENDMENTS

These bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any properly noticed special or regular meeting of the Caucus.



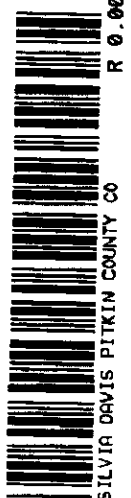
EXHIBIT "A"



- Potential Emma Caucus Boundary
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- Parcel Boundaries
- Road Center Line

Potential Emma Caucus Boundary

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