#### BONNEVILLE COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 1

#### Minutes of Special Meeting held September 11, 2024

The Bonneville County Fire Protection District No. 1 ("Fire District") held a special meeting of Commissioners on Wednesday the 11<sup>th</sup> day of September 2024 at the offices of Nelson Hall Parry Tucker, PLLC, at 490 Memorial Drive, Suite 200, Idaho Falls, Idaho 83402 convening at 11:00 a.m. The meeting was broadcast via Zoom with the following Meeting ID: 874 7485 1450, and Passcode FIRE.

The following were present:

Commissioners Dana Kirkham, Tyler Gebs (via Zoom), and David Long (via telephone) were present. Commissioners Ralph Isom and Derik Nielsen were absent. The following were also present: Attorney Abigail French and District Operations Officer Dick Fowler.

Notice of the time, place and purpose was posted at premises of 490 Memorial Drive, Idaho Falls, Idaho, as well as the Fire District website. A copy of the notice and agenda is attached to these minutes.

It was declared that a Quorum of Commissioners were present and due notice of the meeting had been posted in accordance with law.

#### **DISCUSSION AND ACTIONS**

- 1. <u>Call to Order</u>. The meeting was called to order at 11:00 a.m. by Commissioner Dana Kirkham.
- 2. Opioid Settlement Agreement with Kroger ("Kroger Settlement").

Attorney Abigail French reported on the telephone conferences she had with the Attorney General's Office regarding the proposed settlement participation and release form. Attorney Abigail French explained that the Bonneville County Fire District No. 1 was the only fire district in the state that had not returned the form and that returning the form would help ensure the state of Idaho received the maximum amount of funds available under the settlement. Following discussion, a motion was made by Dana Kirkham to approve execution of the settlement participation form for the Opioid Settlement Agreement with Kroger. Said motion was seconded by David Long and unanimously approved. A copy of said settlement participation form is attached hereto.

3. <u>Adjournment</u>. There being no further business to come before the Board of Commissioners at the meeting a motion was made to adjourn by Dana Kirkham and seconded by Tyler Gebs with unanimous approval at 11:05 a.m.

Approved the 10th day of October, 2024.

Approved by Board Chairman

## ATTEST:

The undersigned, as Secretary of the Bonneville County Fire Protection District No. 1, hereby attests that the foregoing minutes were approved by a proper vote of the Board of Commissioners of the Fire Protection District on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2024.

David H. Long, Secretary

# NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

Bonneville County Fire Protection District No. 1

Wednesday, September 11, 2024

#### **SPECIAL MEETING**

Notice is hereby given that the Bonneville County Fire Protection District No. 1 will hold a special meeting on Wednesday, September 11, 2024 at the hour of 11:00 a.m. The meeting will be conducted in person and via Zoom. The meeting will be held at 490 Memorial Drive, Idaho Falls, ID, 83402 in the second floor conference room. The Zoom login information for this meeting is as follows: **Meeting ID: 874 7485 1450**, **Security Passcode: FIRE.** The Commissioners of the Fire District will take up the following agenda during the meeting:

- 1) Call to Order and Roll Call by Chairman Ralph Isom.
- Discussion regarding proposed 'Subdivision Settlement Participation and Release Form' for Kroger Opioid Settlement.

Possible Action: Approve execution of 'Subdivision Settlement Participation and Release Form' for the Kroger Opioid Settlement.

3) Recess/Adjournment.

DATED this 9<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2024.

Douglas R. Nelson, Assistant Secretary

Bonneville County Fire Protection District #1

New National Opioids Settlement: Kroger Opioids Implementation Administrator opioidsparticipation@rubris.com

Bonneville County Fire Protection District 1, ID Reference Number: CL-791073

#### TO LOCAL POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS:

# THIS PACKAGE CONTAINS DOCUMENTATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE NEW NATIONAL OPIOIDS SETTLEMENT. YOU MUST TAKE ACTION IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE.

# Deadline: September 11, 2024

A new proposed national opioids settlement ("New National Opioids Settlement") has been reached with Kroger ("Settling Defendant"). This Participation Package is a follow-up communication to the Notice of National Opioids Settlement recently received electronically by your subdivision.

You are receiving this *Participation Package* because Idaho is participating in the Kroger settlement.

If a state does not participate in a particular Settlement, the subdivisions in that state are not eligible to participate in that Settlement.

This electronic envelope contains:

• The *Participation Form* for the Kroger settlement, including a release of any claims.

The Participation Form must be executed, without alteration, and submitted on or before September 11, 2024, in order for your subdivision to be considered for initial participation calculations and payment eligibility.

Based upon subdivision participation forms received on or before September 11, 2024, the subdivision participation rate will be used to determine whether participation is sufficient for the settlement to move forward and whether a state earns its maximum potential payment under the settlement. If the settlement moves forward, your release will become effective. If a settlement does not move forward, that release will not become effective.

Any subdivision that does <u>not</u> participate cannot directly share in the settlement funds, even if the subdivision's state is settling and other participating subdivisions are sharing in settlement funds. Any subdivision that does <u>not</u> participate may also reduce the amount of money for programs to remediate the opioid crisis in its state. Please note, a subdivision will not necessarily directly receive settlement funds by participating; decisions on how settlement funds will be allocated within a state are subject to intrastate agreements or state statutes.

You are encouraged to discuss the terms and benefits of the *New National Opioids Settlement* with your counsel, your Attorney General's Office, and other contacts within your state. Many states are implementing and allocating funds for this new settlement the same as they did for the prior opioids settlements with McKesson, Cardinal, Cencora (formerly AmerisourceBergen), J&J/Janssen, Teva, Allergan, CVS, Walgreens, and Walmart but states may choose to treat this settlement differently.

Information and documents regarding the *New National Opioids Settlement* and how it is being implemented in your state and how funds will be allocated within your state can be found on the national settlement website at <a href="https://nationalopioidsettlement.com/">https://nationalopioidsettlement.com/</a>. This website will be supplemented as additional documents are created.

### How to return signed forms:

There are three methods for returning the executed *Participation Form* and any supporting documentation to the Implementation Administrator:

- (1) Electronic Signature via DocuSign: Executing the Participation Form electronically through DocuSign will return the signed form to the Implementation Administrator and associate your form with your subdivision's records. Electronic signature is the most efficient method for returning the Participation Form, allowing for more timely participation and the potential to meet higher settlement payment thresholds, and is therefore strongly encouraged.
- (2) Manual Signature returned via DocuSign: DocuSign allows forms to be downloaded, signed manually, then uploaded to DocuSign and returned automatically to the Implementation Administrator. Please be sure to complete all fields. As with electronic signature, returning a manually signed Participation Form via DocuSign will associate your signed forms with your subdivision's records.
- (3) Manual Signature returned via electronic mail: If your subdivision is unable to return an executed Participation Form using DocuSign, the signed Participation Form may be returned via electronic mail to opioidsparticipation@rubris.com. Please include the name, state, and reference ID of your subdivision in the body of the email and use the subject line Settlement Participation Form [Subdivision Name, Subdivision State] [Reference ID].

Detailed instructions on how to sign and return the *Participation Form*, including changing the authorized signer, can be found at <a href="https://nationalopioidsettlement.com">https://nationalopioidsettlement.com</a>. You may also contact opioidsparticipation@rubris.com.

The sign-on period for subdivisions ends on September 11, 2024.

If you have any questions about executing the *Participation Form*, please contact your counsel, the Implementation Administrator at <a href="mailto:opioidsparticipation@rubris.com">opioidsparticipation@rubris.com</a>, or the Idaho Attorney General's Consumer Protection Division at <a href="mailto:opioidsettlement@ag.idaho.gov">opioidsettlement@ag.idaho.gov</a>.

Thank you,

New National Opioids Settlement Implementation Administrator

The Implementation Administrator is retained to provide the settlement notice required by the New National Opioids Settlement and to manage the collection of the Participation Form.

# Subdivision Participation and Release Form

Governmental Entity: Bonneville County Fire Protection District 1	State: ID
Authorized Signatory: Ralph I Som	
Address 1: 490 Memorial Drive	
Address 2:	
City, State, Zip: Idaho Falls, 1D 83402	
Phone: (208) 522-3001	
Email: affrenchenhptlaw.net	

The governmental entity identified above ("Governmental Entity"), in order to obtain and in consideration for the benefits provided to the Governmental Entity pursuant to the Settlement Agreement dated March 22, 2024 ("Kroger Settlement"), and acting through the undersigned authorized official, hereby elects to participate in the Kroger Settlement, release all Released Claims against all Released Entities, and agrees as follows.

- 1. The Governmental Entity is aware of and has reviewed the Kroger Settlement, understands that all terms in this Participation and Release Form have the meanings defined therein, and agrees that by executing this Participation and Release Form, the Governmental Entity elects to participate in the Kroger Settlement and become a Participating Subdivision as provided therein.
- 2. The Governmental Entity shall promptly, and in any event no later than 14 days after the Reference Date and prior to the filing of the Consent Judgment, dismiss with prejudice any Released Claims that it has filed. With respect to any Released Claims pending in *In re National Prescription Opiate Litigation*, MDL No. 2804, the Governmental Entity authorizes the Plaintiffs' Executive Committee to execute and file on behalf of the Governmental Entity a Stipulation of Dismissal with Prejudice substantially in the form found at <a href="https://nationalopioidsettlement.com/">https://nationalopioidsettlement.com/</a>.
- 3. The Governmental Entity agrees to the terms of the Kroger Settlement pertaining to Participating Subdivisions as defined therein.
- 4. By agreeing to the terms of the Kroger Settlement and becoming a Releasor, the Governmental Entity is entitled to the benefits provided therein, including, if applicable, monetary payments beginning after the Effective Date.
- 5. The Governmental Entity agrees to use any monies it receives through the Kroger Settlement solely for the purposes provided therein.
- 6. The Governmental Entity submits to the jurisdiction of the court in the Governmental Entity's state where the Consent Judgment is filed for purposes limited to that court's role as provided in, and for resolving disputes to the extent provided in, the Kroger Settlement. The Governmental Entity likewise agrees to arbitrate before the National



Arbitration Panel as provided in, and for resolving disputes to the extent otherwise provided in, the Kroger Settlement.

- 7. The Governmental Entity has the right to enforce the Kroger Settlement as provided therein.
- 8. The Governmental Entity, as a Participating Subdivision, hereby becomes a Releasor for all purposes in the Kroger Settlement, including without limitation all provisions of Section XI (Release), and along with all departments, agencies, divisions, boards, commissions, districts, instrumentalities of any kind and attorneys, and any person in their official capacity elected or appointed to serve any of the foregoing and any agency, person, or other entity claiming by or through any of the foregoing, and any other entity identified in the definition of Releasor, provides for a release to the fullest extent of its authority. As a Releasor, the Governmental Entity hereby absolutely, unconditionally, and irrevocably covenants not to bring, file, or claim, or to cause, assist or permit to be brought, filed, or claimed, or to otherwise seek to establish liability for any Released Claims against any Released Entity in any forum whatsoever. The releases provided for in the Kroger Settlement are intended by the Parties to be broad and shall be interpreted so as to give the Released Entities the broadest possible bar against any liability relating in any way to Released Claims and extend to the full extent of the power of the Governmental Entity to release claims. The Kroger Settlement shall be a complete bar to any Released Claim.
- 9. The Governmental Entity hereby takes on all rights and obligations of a Participating Subdivision as set forth in the Kroger Settlement.
- 10. In connection with the releases provided for in the Kroger Settlement, each Governmental Entity expressly waives, releases, and forever discharges any and all provisions, rights, and benefits conferred by any law of any state or territory of the United States or other jurisdiction, or principle of common law, which is similar, comparable, or equivalent to § 1542 of the California Civil Code, which reads:

General Release; extent. A general release does not extend to claims that the creditor or releasing party does not know or suspect to exist in his or her favor at the time of executing the release that, if known by him or her would have materially affected his or her settlement with the debtor or released party.

A Releasor may hereafter discover facts other than or different from those which it knows, believes, or assumes to be true with respect to the Released Claims, but each Governmental Entity hereby expressly waives and fully, finally, and forever settles, releases and discharges, upon the Effective Date, any and all Released Claims that may exist as of such date but which Releasors do not know or suspect to exist, whether through ignorance, oversight, error, negligence or through no fault whatsoever, and which, if known, would materially affect the Governmental Entities' decision to participate in the Kroger Settlement.



11. Nothing herein is intended to modify in any way the terms of the Kroger Settlement, to which Governmental Entity hereby agrees. To the extent this Participation and Release Form is interpreted differently from the Kroger Settlement in any respect, the Kroger Settlement controls.

I have all necessary power a Form on behalf of the Governmental		on to execute this Participation and Release
	Signature:	Jagk Lion
	Name:	Ralph Isom
	Title:	Chairman
	Date:	September 11, 2024

