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**INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT  
FOR ELECTION SUPPLIES AND SERVICES**

COCHISE COUNTY  
ELECTIONS AND  
SCHOOL DISTRICTS

**THIS AGREEMENT** is made and entered into this 11th day of September, 2017, by and between COCHISE COUNTY (COUNTY), a political subdivision of the State of Arizona, and BENSON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT #09 (SCHOOL DISTRICT), located at 360 South Patagonia Street, Benson, Arizona, 85602, for certain election supplies and services;

**WHEREAS**, it is the mutual desire of the parties to provide citizens in the region with all necessary means and opportunity to participate in elections;

**WHEREAS**, the COUNTY seeks to assist in the elections process by providing election supplies and services to cities, districts, or other governing bodies within the region;

**WHEREAS**, the parties have authority to enter into an intergovernmental agreement to provide for election supplies and services pursuant to A.R.S. § 11-952 (Intergovernmental Agreements), A.R.S. § 11-251(41) (County Lease of Personal Property), A.R.S. § 41-2632 (Cooperative Purchasing) and A.R.S. Title 16 (Elections and Electors), the parties agree as follows:

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in consideration of the mutual covenants, conditions, and obligations herein set forth, the parties agree:

**1. COUNTY DUTIES.** The COUNTY agrees contingent upon receipt of a timely, specific request as provided in Paragraph 2(C), to provide the following election services:

- A. Provide ballots, including when appropriate, addition of candidate names.
- B. Administrative services to include the following:
  1. Conduct logic and accuracy tests of programs and equipment
  2. Provide abstract of results of tabulation to include total ballots cast within the jurisdiction; total votes for each candidate, question or proposition.
  3. Provide election equipment and supplies
  4. Provide use of Electronic Poll Books
- C. Arrange for consulting services to include the following:
  1. Programming for operation of tabulating equipment
  2. Printing, folding and mailing Early Ballots
  3. Printing of the Informational Publicity Pamphlet
  4. Programming the operation of the election reporting module
- D. Arrange for election board workers:
  1. Hire qualified election board workers to include precinct and early boards.
  2. Train and supervise election board workers
  3. Pay election board workers.
- E. Provide an estimate of the aggregate cost of the services and supplies.



**2. SCHOOL DISTRICT DUTIES.** The SCHOOL DISTRICT understands and agrees that:

- A. The SCHOOL DISTRICT retains the primary responsibility for insuring that its election is noticed, held and conducted in the manner required by applicable local, state and federal laws and that the COUNTY does not assume responsibility under this agreement for any aspects of this election other than those that are expressly stated in Paragraph 1.
- B. SCHOOL DISTRICT shall pay to the COUNTY the amounts at the rates set forth on Exhibit A hereto at actual cost.
- C. The SCHOOL DISTRICT shall provide the information and details necessary to enable COUNTY to program the ballot for which elections are to be held, the offices to be listed on the ballot, the exact listing of the candidates' names to be included, the exact wording (in English and in Spanish) of any Proposition or Ballot Question to be included on the ballot, in the format requested by the COUNTY.
- D. If a recount/hand count is necessary, the SCHOOL DISTRICT shall reimburse the COUNTY for administrative costs of conducting a recount at the rate of \$500 per contest/questions/proposition
- E. The SCHOOL DISTRICT shall pay the COUNTY in a timely manner or in any event within thirty (30) days of receipt of invoice.

**3. TERM.** The term of this Agreement shall begin upon approval of the parties and continue through the conclusion of the election.

**4. INDEMNIFICATION.** To the extent permitted by law, each party to this agreement shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the other party, its officers, departments, employees and agents from and against any and all suits, actions, legal or administrative proceedings, claims, demands or damages of any kind or nature which results from the act or omission of the indemnifying party, its agents, officers, employees or anyone acting under its direction, control or on its behalf, whether intentional or negligent.

**5. CANCELLATION DUE TO CONFLICT OF INTEREST.** Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-511, the provisions of which are incorporated herein by reference, all parties are hereby put on notice that this Agreement is subject to cancellation by the a political subdivision or its departments or agencies if any person significantly involved in initiating, negotiating, securing, drafting or creating the contract on behalf of such political subdivision is, at any time while the contract is or any extension of the contract is in effect, an employee or agent of any other party to the contract in any capacity or a consultant to any other party of the contract with respect to the subject matter of the contract.

**6. NON-DISCRIMINATION.** To the extent required by law, each party to this agreement shall comply with all state and federal equal opportunity and non-discrimination requirements and conditions of employment, including the American with Disabilities Act, in accordance with A.R.S. Title 41, Chapter 9, Article 4, and Executive Order 99-4, which mandates that all persons, regardless of race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, or political affiliation, shall have equal access to employment opportunities.



**7. WORKER'S COMPENSATION.** An employee of either party shall be deemed to be an "employee" of both public agencies while performing pursuant to this Agreement, for purposes of A.R.S. § 23-1022 and the Arizona Workers' Compensation laws. The primary employer shall be solely liable for any worker's compensation benefits which may accrue. Each party shall post a notice pursuant to the provisions of A.R.S. § 23-906 in substantially the following form:

All employees are hereby notified that they may be required to work under the jurisdiction or control or within the jurisdictional boundaries of another public agency pursuant to an intergovernmental agreement or contract, and under such circumstances they are deemed by the laws of Arizona to be employees of both public agencies for the purposes of workers' compensation.

**8. NOTICE.** All written communications shall be addressed and mailed or personally served upon the parties, as follows:

**To: COUNTY**  
Martha L. Rodriquez, Interim Director  
Elections/Special Districts  
1415 Melody Lane, Bldg. A  
Bisbee, AZ 85603

**To: SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
Micah Mortensen, Superintendent  
Benson Unified School District #09  
360 South Patagonia Street  
Benson, AZ 85602

With copy to:  
Jacqui Clay, Superintendent  
Cochise County School Superintendent's Office  
PO Drawer 208  
Bisbee, AZ 85603

**9. GOVERNING LAW.** This Agreement shall be governed and interpreted by the laws of the State of Arizona.

**10. IMMIGRATION LAWS.** Each party warrants that it will at all times during the term of this Agreement comply with all federal immigration laws applicable to employment of its employees, and with the requirements of A.R.S. §23-214(A) (together the "State and Federal Immigration Laws") and shall further ensure that any sub-contractor who performs any work under this Agreement likewise complies with the State and Federal Immigration Laws.

**11. NO BOYCOTT OF ISRAEL.** In accordance with A.R.S. §35-393.01, each party certifies that it is currently not engaged in, and for the duration of this Agreement agrees not to engage in a Boycott of Israel.

**12. SAVINGS CLAUSE.** Should any part of this Agreement be held to be invalid or void, the remainder of the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect with those offending portions omitted.

**13. AGREEMENT MODIFICATION.** This Agreement may only be modified in writing and must be signed by both parties and their duly authorized agents.



**INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT DETERMINATION**

RE: Intergovernmental Agreement for election services and supplies between Benson Unified School District #09 and the County of Cochise for the Special Budget Override Election to be held November 7, 2017.

Pursuant to A.R.S. Section 11-952, this Agreement has been reviewed by the undersigned attorney for Cochise County, who has determined that it is in proper form and is within the powers and authority granted, respectively, to the contracting bodies.

DATED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2017.

Cochise County Attorney

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Britt Hanson, Chief Civil Deputy  
County Attorney

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By: \_\_\_\_\_

## EXHIBIT A

### COCHISE COUNTY ELECTIONS/SPECIAL DISTRICTS VOTE CENTER FEE SCHEDULE (BENSON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT #09)

Election Services	Rate or Fee	Per
<u>For standard countywide elections /consolidated elections</u>		
<b>ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE FEES</b> (These services include consulting or assistance given the entity, any function performed on behalf of the contracting entity, conducting the logic and accuracy test and tabulation of ballots.)	\$500.00	
Cancellation Fee	\$250.00	
Recount/Hand Count	\$500.00	
Ballot Programming (Layout, printing, informational and Publicity Pamphlets)	ACTUAL COST	
Ballot Printing	ACTUAL COST	
Postage (publicity pamphlet)	ACTUAL COST	
Provisional Ballots	\$ .50	per envelope
Instruction of Election Boards	\$ 75.00	per/class
Travel to class location	\$ .42	per mile
Election Manual for Boards	\$ 5.00	per copy
Election Personnel (Troubleshooter, Delivery, Office Temps, Early Board, Couriers and Night Boards)	\$ 12.00	an hour per person
Mileage for Election Personnel	\$ .42	per mile
Election Supplies	\$ 50.00	
Vote Center Rentals	Actual Cost	
<u>Election Board Per Vote Center</u>		
1-Inspector	\$125.00	per person
2-3 Judges, 2-3 Clerks, 1-Marshall	\$100.00	per person
Required Election class	\$ 15.00	per person
Mileage for election workers	\$ .42	per mile
<b><u>RECORDERS FEES</u></b>		
Postage for Mailing Early Ballots	\$ 0.15	Ballot (200+)
Printing & Processing	\$ 0.88	Ballot
Envelopes & Affidavits	\$ 0.66	Ballot
Postage & Handling	\$ 1.28	Ballot
Undeliverable Mailings	\$ 0.49	Ballot



**14. BREACH.** Failure by the COUNTY and/or SCHOOL DISTRICT to provide the services/ material or to provide the documentation at the time and in the manner described in this Agreement shall constitute a breach of this Agreement.

**15. WAIVER OF CONFLICT.** The parties to this Agreement are aware that the County Attorney's Offices represents the Cochise County Elections Department, and may or may not also represent the other party (for example, Special Districts, including but not limited to Flood, Fire or School Districts) to this agreement in this and other matters. By signing this Agreement each party specifically acknowledges that it is aware of a potential conflict of interest and specifically waives any such claim based upon legal counsels' representation of other parties to this Agreement.

**16. ENTIRE AGREEMENT.** This Agreement contains the entire understanding of the parties hereto. There are no representations or other provisions other than those contained herein, and any amendment or modification of this Agreement shall be made in writing and signed by the parties to this Agreement.

APPROVED:

COCHISE COUNTY

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Ann English, Chair  
Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Arlethe Rios  
Clerk of the Board  
Cochise County Board of Supervisors

APPROVED:

Benson Unified School District #09

BY: *Paul 'Ch' Maldonado*  
Authorized Signatory

ATTEST:

BY: *W. W. Wintensen*  
Authorized Signatory



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DATED this 29<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2017.

By: *Carolee B. Padee*