

COUNTY OF EL PASO DAVID C. STOUT COUNTY COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT TWO

Sept. 15, 2025

Honorable Mayor and City Council City of El Paso 300 N. Campbell El Paso, TX 79902

Re: EPA Urban Waters Federal Partnership / Item 23

Dear Members of the El Paso City Council:

I write in support of developing a regional partnership as contemplated in Item 23, a presentation on the Urban Waters Partnership. This program aims to reconnect urban communities with their waterways by improving coordination among federal agencies. The Partnership also collaborates with community-led revitalization efforts to improve our nation's water systems and promote their economic, environmental and social benefits.

El Paso is blessed with a river valley and a mountain that together define our community. These natural systems can provide great benefits if we learn to work with them. This program offers another resource through which to do just that.

El Paso County heard a similar presentation in June, and directed staff to work with potential partners, including the city, as we develop the regional Urban Waters concept to share knowledge and implement improved waterways management. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

David C. Stout

County Commissioner El Paso County, Precinct 2