

RESOLUTION #2025-10

**A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE NWARPC TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT
FOR A NORTHWEST ARKANSAS REGIONAL COMPREHENSIVE STUDY
OF WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT AND NEEDS**

WHEREAS, the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission (NWARPC), as a Council of Governments, provides a forum for regional cooperation and delivers a wide range of planning, administrative, and technical and non-technical services to our member governments; and

WHEREAS, Arkansas Code Annotated (14-56-507) allows NWARPC to make plans for development of the area including, but not limited to, recommendations for public utilities; and

WHEREAS, NWARPC is seeking letters of interest from qualified firms to conduct a Northwest Arkansas Regional Comprehensive Study of Wastewater Management and Needs; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this regional study is to help leaders develop long-term, cost-effective wastewater infrastructure solutions by assessing investment needs, supporting population and economic growth, ensuring compliance with state and federal guidelines, and promoting efficient and regionally coordinated resource use; and

WHEREAS, NWARPC receives federal, state, and local funding along with other grant funding and funding for this project is anticipated to become available later this year.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE NORTHWEST ARKANSAS REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION:

SECTION 1: That the Executive Director is hereby authorized to pursue grant funding sources to conduct a consultant-led Northwest Arkansas Regional Comprehensive Study of Wastewater Management and Needs.

SECTION 2: That the Executive Director is hereby authorized to act on behalf of the NWARPC in matters concerning the project and funding sources, including (1) the execution of any grant agreement(s) and/or agreements of understanding; and (2) carrying out all necessary actions to contract with a consultant and administer this grant and project in accordance with the approved application, and with all applicable requirements and procedures.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____ 2025.

Mayor Doug Sprouse, Chairman
Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission

ATTEST: _____