WHEREAS, the quality of life in the Upstate, South Carolina region is critical to attracting new businesses and retaining existing business, in order to provide jobs for citizens and to expand the tax base of local governments, and

WHEREAS, Greenville and Spartanburg counties both have unique parks and recreation assets that collectively contribute to the region’s quality of life, and

WHEREAS, the building of inter-governmental cooperation between the Greenville County Recreation District and the Spartanburg County Parks Department can enhance the development and utilization of the respective counties’ parks and recreation assets, thus improving the regional quality of life and economic development potential,

NOW, THEREFORE KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS that Spartanburg County and the Greenville County Recreation District have reached certain understandings that will facilitate increased intergovernmental cooperation and agree as follows:

1. The Greenville County Recreation District will share information concerning the development of its web site www.greenvillerec.com with Spartanburg County Parks Department to use for www.spartanburgparks.org. The two sites will be cross-linked, and will be capable of co-promotion of shared events/programs.
2. The two agencies will cooperate in the attraction and hosting of large regional youth sports events that have potential to generate regional tourism impact. The two agencies agree to cooperate, on an as-needed basis, to host large regional sports events.
3. The two agencies will routinely share information and, where appropriate, cooperate on recreation programming, capital projects planning, staff training, public relations and resource development.
4. The two agencies will cooperate in the pursuit of national agency accreditation through the sharing of information and in other ways.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have hereunto executed this agreement this _____ day of __________, 2012.

WITNESSES:

Spartanburg County

By: ____________________________
   County Administrator

Greenville County Recreation District

By: ____________________________
   Executive Director

Note: This document was signed following the August 20, 2012 meeting of Spartanburg County Council, at which time the County Administrator was authorized to sign. However, the signed document and the original was lost during a computer virus attack. This unsigned version was provided by the Greenville County Parks, Recreation and Tourism Department.