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To: All Media
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Subject: **NWCPUD COVID-19 Small Business Assistance Program Overview**

Northern Wasco County People's Utility District (NWCPUD) has developed a COVID-19 Small Business Assistance Program to support businesses they serve in Wasco County that have faced adverse business impacts as a result of COVID-19. The program will offer a temporary discount to NWCPUD business customers based on their business type and financial need. The program assistance is limited to \$600 per business and will run for three consecutive months after reopening between June 2020 and December 2020.

For more information on eligibility, and to apply for the assistance program, below is the criteria for businesses:

1. In business January 1, 2020 within Wasco County.
2. Active NWCPUD account.
3. Between 1-10 employee; employees can be the owners.
4. Impacted by COVID-19, with an emphasis on mandated closures or significant shifts in operations (ex. restaurants that could not operate a dining room).
5. Must be a business or non-profit entity registered in Oregon. For non-profits, must be recognized by the IRS and have no religious affiliation.
6. Agricultural producers are excluded.

NWCPUD is partnering with the Wasco County Economic Development Commission to support program implementation. If you would like to be considered for the NWCPUD COVID-19 Small Business Assistance Program, please fill out the EDC's Wasco County COVID-19 Business Impact survey here to determine eligibility.

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