

**WASCO COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**REGULAR SESSION / AGENDA WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2014**  
**LOCATION: Wasco County Courthouse, Room #302**  
**511 Washington Street, The Dalles, OR 97058**

**Public Comment:** Individuals wishing to address the Commission on items not already listed on the Agenda may do so during the first half-hour and at other times throughout the meeting; please wait for the current speaker to conclude and raise your hand to be recognized by the Chair for direction. Speakers are required to give their name and address. Please limit comments to five minutes, unless extended by the Chair.

**Departments:** Are encouraged to have their issue added to the Agenda in advance. When that is not possible the Commission will attempt to make time to fit you in during the first half-hour or between listed Agenda items.

**NOTE:** With the exception of Public Hearings, the Agenda is subject to last minute changes; times are approximate – please arrive early. **Meetings are ADA accessible.** For special accommodations please contact the Commission Office in advance, (541) 506-2520. TDD 1-800-735-2900.

9:00 a.m.

**CALL TO ORDER**

*Items without a designated appointment may be rearranged to make the best use of time. Other matters may be discussed as deemed appropriate by the Board.*

- Corrections or Additions to the Agenda
- Administrative Officer - Tyler Stone: Comments
- [Discussion Items](#) (Items of general Commission discussion, not otherwise listed on the Agenda) [Sherman County Prevention IGA](#), [Surveyor Position](#)
- [Consent Agenda](#) (Items of a routine nature: minutes, documents, items previously discussed.) [Minutes: 8.6.2014 Regular Session](#), [8.7.2014 Joint Meeting](#), [8.11.2014 Public Hearing](#)

9:30 a.m.      [Document Processing and Delivery IGA](#) – Jill Amery

9:40 a.m.      [Mosier Watershed Appointments](#) – Anna Buckley

9:55 a.m.      [Corporate Community Responsibility](#) – Mike Bertrand

10:15 a.m.      [Road Management & Decommissioning Project](#) – Kameron Sam

**NEW / OLD BUSINESS**  
**COMMISSION CALL / REPORTS**  
**ADJOURN**



WASCO COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR SESSION  
SEPTEMBER 3, 2014

PRESENT: Scott Hege, Commission Chair  
Rod Runyon, County Commissioner  
Steve Kramer, County Commissioner  
STAFF: Tyler Stone, Administrative Officer  
Kathy White, Executive Assistant

At 9:00 a.m. Chair Hege opened the Regular Session of the Board of Commissioners with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Public Comment – Noise Ordinance**

Dr. David Wherly read a prepared statement regarding a noise ordinance for Wasco County (attached).

Chair Hege asked Dr. Wherly if he would categorize his 2014 WTF experience as better, worse or the same as 2013. Dr. Wherly replied that he is located downwind from the WTF venue. Although the organizers did end the amplified sound at midnight as they had committed to do, the level of noise and four-letter epithets carried on the wind to the ears of local resident families was just as punishing as last year.

**Public Comment – MCCOG**

Wayne Lease stated that it has been nearly a year since MCCOG requested a 40% increase and passed a 20% increase in fees. He said that MCCOG is using fees for

discretionary purposes which makes them taxes. He said that the Board is responsible to Wasco County and not the other counties participating in MCCOG. He said that he does not believe the constituency is aware of what is going on. He added that he believes that The Dalles Chronicle is irresponsible in their reporting.

Commissioner Runyon reminded that the BOCC did not approve the increase; that was the MCCOG Board. He added that he got them to come down from 40% to 20% and then he voted against the 20%. Mr. Lease replied that the County needs to put MCCOG out of the business of building permits, suggesting that they privatize that function.

Commissioner Runyon added that auditors have reviewed MCCOG and signed off on them.

Chair Hege noted that what Mr. Lease is alleging has not happened recently and asked Mr. Lease if he believes privatization is the solution. Mr. Lease replied that he thinks it should be considered.

#### **County Departments - Planning**

Planning Director John Roberts announced that Senior Planner Joey Shearer is leaving. He stated that they have developed a phase out plan for Mr. Shearer in which he will work in The Dalles two days a week and telecommute for the remaining days. They would like to have him work through September and into October; after that, they would like for him to work as a part-time employee or contract planner.

Finance Director Monica Morris stated that she has not had time to review this; adding that the telecommuting policy is an older policy that has been employed only once.

Mr. Stone said that in general we try not to telecommute which is why this is being brought to the Board for discussion. He stated that he sees this as a stop-gap measure to get through the training period for a new planner. He noted that due to Wasco County's location in the National Scenic Area, planning is more complicated. He said that he supports the request.

After a brief discussion, the Board was in consensus to allow Mr. Stone to move forward with the plan to have Mr. Shearer continue to telecommute for

all of September and part of October.}}}

#### **County Departments – Public Works**

Public Works Director Marty Matherly announced that Lyle Stevens will be retiring January 1, 2015. He explained that they have been aware of his retirement and developed a plan which included hiring a replacement this fall to allow for training and a smooth transition; they are ready to move forward with advertising for that position.

Mr. Stone stated that there have been discussions about the possibility of combining the County and Road Surveyor positions into one position. As they continue to examine that possibility, Mr. Matherly has suggested that skills be included in the advertised job description that would help to identify a candidate who could take on both functions when County Surveyor Dan Boldt retires. He said that the reduced time for each function will add some level of stress to Public Works but there is ebb and flow to each which will help in managing the work.

Ms. Morris noted that this is an excellent opportunity to look at the structure and modify positions.

**\*\*\*The Board was in consensus to move forward with a plan to find a candidate that may be able to fill a position that combines both county and road surveying.\*\*\***

#### **Agenda Item – Document Processing & Delivery IGA**

Tax Collector Jill Amery stated that this is an annual agreement with the Oregon Department of Administrative Services and proposes a rate similar to last year's rate. She noted that Wasco County's quantity has increased slightly but the cost will be similar. She explained that the cost is determined per piece and varies by type so there is not a way to predict an exact cost.

Chair Hege asked if Ms. Amery has had a chance to determine if this is the most efficient means of accomplishing this process. Ms. Amery said that with all the staff changes in the Assessor's Office this year along with the implementation of the Manatron system, she has not had the time to look into this but plans to do so next year. She said that Lane County may be an option.

**{{{Commissioner Kramer moved to approve the Intergovernmental**

**Agreement #248-14 for Document Publishing, Processing and Delivery.**  
**Commissioner Runyon seconded the motion which passed unanimously.}}**

**County Departments – Finance/Human Resources**

Ms. Morris reported on the July PERS meeting saying that school rates will be going down and the rest of the rates will be going up less than 2% on average. She stated that it is much less than had been anticipated.

Chair Hege said that he has seen that Tier one is currently 18% return but has not made much headway against previous losses. Ms. Morris replied that it is a huge system and has not recovered all that was lost; it is bringing in less than what it is paying out. She added that the Social Security Administration predicts that if no action is taken it their funds will be depleted in 2033.

Ms. Morris went on to announce that there will be a new reporting form as a result of the Affordable Care Act; she has seen the draft form. She explained that the form requires a listing of everyone in each employee's family including their social security numbers. The information must be gathered annually. She said that currently the insurer maintains that information and she cautioned that employees may be reluctant to provide the information to the County.

**Agenda Item – Mosier Watershed Appointments**

Watershed Coordinator Anna Buckley explained that Mosier has not previously had official appointments to their Watershed Council. One of the requirements of the recently formed Coordinating Board is that each Council is required to appoint members. There are ten actively participating members to be appointed; the Chair and Vice-Chair have already been appointed. She added that all ten appointments carry the recommendation of the Soil and Water Conservation District.

Ms. Buckley reported that three of the five Wasco County watershed councils have approved the bylaws which will be presented to the final two councils in the next couple of weeks. She said she that once all have approved the bylaws she will submit them to the state. The next step will be to develop an action plan; she has \$25,000 in funding for the development of that plan which will include all five councils and must be submitted by May, 2015.

Ms. Buckley announced that she has also received \$95,000 in funding for the Mill

Creek project and will be hiring a contractor to do that work. In addition, she stated that they are looking for a contractor to execute a feasibility study to be completed by June, 2015, for 15-Mile Watershed water storage.

{{{Commissioner Kramer moved to approve Order #14-069 appointing Kathleen Fitzpatrick to the Mosier Watershed Council. Commissioner Runyon seconded the motion which passed unanimously.}}}

{{{Commissioner Runyon moved to approve Order #14-070 appointing Todd Stevens to the Mosier Watershed Council. Commissioner Kramer seconded the motion which passed unanimously.}}}

{{{Commissioner Kramer moved to approve Order #14-071 appointing Wade Root to the Mosier Watershed Council. Commissioner Runyon seconded the motion which passed unanimously.}}}

{{{Commissioner Runyon moved to approve Order #14-072 appointing Susan Gabay to the Mosier Watershed Council. Commissioner Kramer seconded the motion which passed unanimously.}}}

{{{Commissioner Kramer moved to approve Order #14-073 appointing Kenneth Lite to the Mosier Watershed Council. Commissioner Runyon seconded the motion which passed unanimously.}}}

{{{Commissioner Runyon moved to approve Order #14-074 appointing Peter Dalke to the Mosier Watershed Council. Commissioner Kramer seconded the motion which passed unanimously.}}}

{{{Commissioner Kramer moved to approve Order #14-075 appointing Jim Reed to the Mosier Watershed Council. Commissioner Runyon seconded the motion which passed unanimously.}}}

{{{Commissioner Runyon moved to approve Order #14-076 appointing Philip Evans to the Mosier Watershed Council. Commissioner Kramer seconded the motion which passed unanimously.}}}

{{{Commissioner Kramer moved to approve Order #14-077 appointing Karen Bailey to the Mosier Watershed Council. Commissioner Runyon seconded the motion which passed unanimously.}}}

{{{Commissioner Runyon moved to approve Order #14-078 appointing Mike

Igo to the Mosier Watershed Council. Commissioner Kramer seconded the motion which passed unanimously.}}}

**Discussion Item – Sherman County Prevention IGA**

Ms. White reviewed her memo included in the Board Packet.

{{{Commissioner Runyon moved to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement for Contracting Services providing for a Certified Prevention Coordinator. Commissioner Kramer seconded the motion which passed unanimously.}}}

**Agenda Item – Corporate Community Responsibility**

Mike Bertrand stated that he had only one day's notice to weigh in on the second Google Enterprise Zone. He noted that there had been three publicly noticed meetings for the roads issue and said there should have been hearings for the Enterprise Zone. Chair Hege replied that they had advertised at least a week prior to the decision.

Mr. Bertrand asked if the negotiations had been based on a figure of \$200,000,000. Chair Hege said that he is bound by a non-disclosure agreement for the next several years. He went on to say that what they did know is that it would be similar to the existing project but there was not an exact figure. He explained that a public records document was filed which met the State requirement of a minimum investment of \$200,000,000 and 10 jobs.

Mr. Bertrand asked if Chair Hege is saying that the negotiating team did not know what they were negotiating for. Chair Hege responded that he is not saying that, but is bound by a non-disclosure agreement which will not allow him to share details.

Mr. Bertrand asked why the School District gets 35%. Commissioner Runyon corrected him saying that the District gets 30%. Mr. Bertrand asked if it had been voted on in open session. Chair Hege replied that it was, saying that it had been published for a week and then they had a hearing on the matter.

Mr. Bertrand asked why, if the money is to benefit the County and the City, the School District gets part of it. Chair Hege replied that had there not been an agreement and funds had come in through the tax rolls, each taxing district, including schools, would have gotten some of that money. He said that this approach makes

sure that the School Districts gets some of those funds. He went on to say that the City of The Dalles has already made an agreement for their \$280,000 to go to entities such as the School District, Parks and Recreation District and the Fire District as they felt these entities would be impacted by the project. He noted that the first Enterprise Zone Agreement did not address the districts whose service levels increase as a result of the project. He added that there is language in place that assures that the money going to the Schools will pay for projects not already supported by State funds as they did not want to alleviate the State of their responsibility to the School District.

Mr. Bertrand said that on June 24<sup>th</sup> he had provided the Board with a letter outlining an idea he had for Google to support the planned pool project. He stated that his intent was for the Board to gather partners – Parks and Recreation, Chamber of Commerce, Senior Center, etc. – to make a unified request. He said that instead, a letter was sent directly to Google asking for their response. He asked who granted permission for the letter to be shared; had he wanted to contact them directly, he could have done that.

Chair Hege replied that he thought it was a fine idea but it is challenging to go to the business that is already giving millions to the community. He said that he understands Mr. Bertrand's position that he believes Google could give more based upon their corporate earnings.

Commissioner Runyon said that it was his impression that Mr. Bertrand wanted the Board to get the information to Google and that when the letter was presented in a public session it became a public document. Mr. Bertrand said that there is a disagreement about what he was requesting; he said he is leaving the Board with some reading material (attached).

Chair Hege said that he believes the County and City got a fair deal from Google. Mr. Bertrand replied that Google is paying fees, not taxes – it is not the same.

#### **Agenda Item – Road Management & Decommissioning Project**

Barlow District Ranger Kameron Sam and Hood River District Ranger Janeen Tervo explained that their districts are working cooperatively to manage the road system. Mr. Sam explained that they look at many criteria when making road decisions. He stated that an earlier analysis that encompassed all possible criteria resulted in a plan that would have closed a great many Forest Service roads within the two districts and

negatively impact access and the level of recreational uses.

Mr. Sam went on to explain that a decision had been made to re-evaluate the roads based on a priority criteria – aquatic habitat risk which includes fish passage, erosion and sediment deposits. Using a map, he identified the areas of aquatic risk and the proposed actions for each – outlined in the USDA Increment 3 Plan included in the Board Packet.

Ms. Tervo explained that Clear Lake is unique in that it is a free use site where campers can drive right on to the beach to camp. She stated that it is an incredible recreation opportunity that needs to be managed to mitigate the aquatic risk factors associated with recreation. She said that in Alternative 3 of the Plan it is proposed to repair and maintain many of the Clear Lake roads rather than decommission them. She added that the user-built roads would have to be decommissioned. She stated that they have been sharing and gathering information with campers and would like to develop a comprehensive plan.

Mr. Sam stated that they wanted to inform the Board of the plans and process before it goes to the public; they want to answer any questions and understand the Board's position on their proposed plan.

Commissioner Kramer asked for further explanation regarding the "user built" roads. Ms. Tervo explained that users go off-road and continued traffic creates a "road" where there was none before. She said they hope to rehabilitate those roads, bringing them back to their natural state. She said that process is not included in the plan as it stands now.

Chair Hege asked if the changes to the Clear Lake system will restrict handicapped access. Ms. Tervo replied that there is a developed campground with access and overflow access that would be decommissioned under the proposed plan but would be repaired and maintained under Alternative 3. She said that it is a heavily used area and the public interest will be heard through the hearings process.

Commissioner Kramer asked if the Forest Service has met with any other outside partners. Mr. Sam replied that they have met with Soil and Water and are building an understanding about the water uses in the County – for instance, Clear Lake is used for both irrigation and recreation. He said that he has also met with Public Works Director Marty Matherly and plans to meet with Sheriff Eiesland. Ms. Tervo

reported that she has met with Sheriff English.

Chair Hege said that generally speaking, he has an issue with reductions to public land access but understands that when the public is destroying a resource, action must be taken.

Mr. Sam pointed out that most of the roads proposed for decommissioning are going right up waterways and causing sediment to be deposited into streams. He said there are other roads in the area that allow more limited access to prevent damage.

Further discussion ensued. Mr. Sam assured the Board that they will be back to talk about this again; they want to build an alliance.

#### **Public Comment – Corporate Community Responsibility**

City Manager Nolan Young said he had hoped to be present for the earlier discussion. He explained that he has some new information that may be useful (attached). He reviewed the numbers included in the documents, saying that the Enterprise Zone fees paid by Google far exceed per acre what other businesses are paying in that area.

Chair Hege thanked Mr. Young for the information and asked if Mr. Bertrand also attends City Council meetings. Mr. Young replied that he has not seen Mr. Bertrand at a City Council meeting for quite some time. He said they had recently responded to a public records request from Mr. Bertrand regarding job creation in the first Google Enterprise Zone. He reported that the requirement had been for 35 jobs which Google has exceeded by creating 85 jobs. They also far exceed the requirement to exceed median income by 150%. He added that the fact that the moneys have been distributed by both the County and the City has been well received.

#### **Discussion List – Tygh Valley Town Hall**

\*\*\*After a brief discussion, the Board was in consensus to hold the Tygh Valley Town Hall on the evening of Thursday, October 16<sup>th</sup> in conjunction with the South Wasco County Alliance meeting.\*\*\*

#### **Consent Agenda – 8.6.2014, 8.7.2014, 8.11.2014 Minutes**

{{{Commissioner Kramer moved to approve the Consent Agenda.  
Commissioner Runyon seconded the motion which passed unanimously.}}}

Chair Hege adjourned the session at 11:19 a.m.

<b>Summary of Actions</b>
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**Motions Passed**

- To approve the Intergovernmental Agreement #248-14 for Document Publishing, Processing and Delivery
- To approve Order #14-069 appointing Kathleen Fitzpatrick to the Mosier Watershed Council.
- To approve Order #14-070 appointing Todd Stevens to the Mosier Watershed Council.
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- To approve Order #14-078 appointing Mike Igo to the Mosier

Watershed Council.

- To approve the Intergovernmental Agreement for Contracting Services providing for a Certified Prevention Coordinator.
- To approve the Consent Agenda: 8.6.2014, 8.7.2014 & 8.11.2014 Minutes.

Consensus

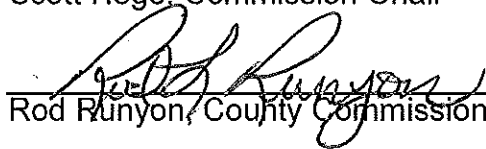
- To allow Mr. Stone to move forward with the plan to have Mr. Shearer continue to telecommute for all of September and part of October.
- To move forward with a plan to find a candidate that may be able to fill a position that combines both county and road surveying.
- To hold the Tygh Valley Town Hall on the evening of Thursday, October 16<sup>th</sup> in conjunction with the South Wasco County Alliance meeting.

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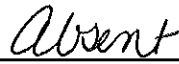
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Scott Hege, Commission Chair



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Rod Runyon, County Commissioner



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Steve Kramer, County Commissioner

**WASCO COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR SESSION  
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**DISCUSSION LIST**

**ACTION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

1. [Sherman County Prevention IGA](#)
2. [Surveyor Position](#) – Marty Matherly

**Discussion Item**  
**Sherman County Prevention IGA**

- [Memo](#)
- [Background Email Thread](#)
- [IGA](#)

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**MEMORANDUM**

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**TO:** BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
**FROM:** KATHY WHITE  
**SUBJECT:** SHERMAN COUNTY PREVENTION COORDINATOR IGA  
**DATE:** 8/27/2014

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**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

At the 8.6.2014 Board Session, Youth Services Director Molly Rogers and Prevention Coordinator Debby Jones presented information to the Board regarding the possibility of a contract that would allow Ms. Jones to act on behalf of Sherman County as their prevention coordinator. The contract was pending and in fact came in that afternoon. Ms. Rogers will not be available to attend today's session, but assured me that there is nothing unexpected or outside the parameters of what was presented to you on August 6<sup>th</sup>.

Will asked me to send to you the attached, proposed Intergovernmental Agreement between Sherman County and Wasco County. If it meets with your approval, we would appreciate it if you would forward it to Wasco County for their review at tomorrow's meeting.

If you have any questions or desire any changes, please let Will know.

Thank you,

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**Kathy White** <kathyw@co.wasco.or.us>  
To: Molly Rogers <mollyr@co.wasco.or.us>

Wed, Aug 20, 2014 at 1:51 PM

Better late than never! I have placed it on the discussion list for Sept. 3rd. Nothing unexpected in it that you will need to explain?

Thank you,

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**Molly Rogers** <mollyr@co.wasco.or.us>  
To: Kathy White <kathyw@co.wasco.or.us>

Wed, Aug 20, 2014 at 1:54 PM

Nope - exactly what we expected.

Molly

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**Kathy White** <kathyw@co.wasco.or.us>  
To: Molly Rogers <mollyr@co.wasco.or.us>

Wed, Aug 20, 2014 at 1:58 PM

Thank you, Molly. :-)

Thank you,

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**INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT FOR  
CONTRACTING SERVICES PROVIDING FOR A  
CERTIFIED PREVENTION COORDINATOR**

**THIS INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT**, made this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2014, by and between **SHERMAN COUNTY, OREGON**, a political subdivision of the State of Oregon, hereinafter called “Sherman,” and **WASCO COUNTY, OREGON**, a political subdivision of the State of Oregon, hereinafter called “Wasco,”

**W I T N E S S E T H :**

**WHEREAS**, Sherman does not currently have a Certified Prevention Coordinator to assist its Office of Addiction and Mental Health with a comprehensive Strategic Prevention Framework Process; and

**WHEREAS**, Wasco has the ability and personnel to provide this service to Sherman; and

**WHEREAS**, Sherman, upon implementing a program, can receive funds for the organization and operation of its Office of Addiction and Mental Health, which funds can be used for payment to Wasco in assisting Sherman to accomplish its plan;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in consideration of the mutual covenants of the parties, each to the other giving, the parties do agree as follows:

**1. Term of Agreement**. The term of this agreement shall be for a period of one (1) year, commencing \_\_\_\_\_, 2014 and ending at midnight on \_\_\_\_\_, 2015.

**2. Duties of Wasco**.

**a.** The duties of Wasco for the scope of work are set forth on Attachment A, attached hereto and by this reference incorporated herein as though set out in full hereat.

**b.** Payment is made subject to the condition that the entire amount will be expended for the purposes of providing services as identified:

- (1)** Under the approved program description;
- (2)** Designated funding stream;
- (3)** In accordance with state statute and administrative code.

**c.** Sherman must be promptly notified about any of the following during the funding period:

- (1)** Change in program contact personnel of the organization
- (2)** Change in address or phone number
- (3)** Change in name of the organization
- (4)** Any development that significantly affects the operation of the program or organization.

**d.** Wasco shall provide Sherman with reporting documents as outlined in Section 4 of this agreement.

**e.** Wasco shall abide by all provisions of this agreement and shall keep adequate supporting records to document expenditure of funds and the activities supported by these funds.

**f.** If Wasco fails or becomes unable to perform the specific functions of program implementation, or if conditions arise that make the program untenable, then Wasco may terminate the agreement with thirty (30) day written notice.

**g.** Wasco is solely responsible for the ethical, moral, and legal nature of its programs, including those segments purchased through these funds. All persons employed by Wasco shall be employees of Wasco and not Sherman. Except for claims arising solely from the negligence of Sherman, its officers, employees or agents, Wasco agrees to indemnify and hold Sherman harmless from and against all actions, suits, claims and demands for loss of damage, including property damage, personal injury, and wrongful death, arising out of or in connection with Wasco's performance of this agreement.

**h.** Wasco will perform services as an equal opportunity employer. Wasco shall not deny services or discriminate on the basis of race, color, creed, national origin or duration of residence, and there shall be no discrimination in selection, compensation, or other employment practices with respect to personnel coming under the auspices of Wasco, and Wasco will otherwise comply with the provision and requirements of Title IV of the Civil Rights Act of 1974, and all requirements issued by the Department of Justice.

**i.** Wasco acknowledges and agrees to comply with applicable provisions of the Americans with Disability Act 42 USC 12101 et seq.

**j.** Wasco acknowledges and agrees to comply with the provision of the Oregon Equal Access Law, ORS 417.270.

k. Wasco acknowledges and agrees to be culturally competent. Culturally competency means the development of behaviors, attitudes and policies that enable providers to deliver services in ways that meet the needs of a variety of diverse cultures.

l. Wasco acknowledges that any and all products provided by Sherman for use or implementation of the approved program description are the sole property of Sherman and must be returned upon completion of the program and/or funding period.

### **3. Duties of Sherman.**

a. Sherman agrees to obtain funding for the program and to pay Wasco for its services in the amounts and for the services as set forth on Attachment B, attached hereto and by this reference incorporated herein as though set out in full hereat.

b. Upon receipt of the signed agreement, funder will forward payment in quarterly payments based on agreed upon expenditure reporting.

c. Payments are contingent upon Wasco satisfactorily conducting the program substantially as reflected in timely reports required herein.

d. **Payments are subject to the availability of funds.** In the event that sufficient funds shall not be appropriated for the payment of consideration required under this agreement, then Sherman may terminate the agreement with written thirty (30) days notice.

e. If Wasco fails or becomes unable to perform the specific functions of program implementation, or if conditions arise that make the program untenable, or if Wasco materially breaches this agreement, all funds that may be deemed unearned, unjustified, or inappropriately expended must be returned to Sherman.

f. If the funds have not been completely expended at the end of the funding period, June 30, 2015 then Wasco agrees to immediately notify Sherman's designated contact person. All funds determined to be under-expended, unexpended, or unencumbered for authorized expenditures shall be returned to Sherman or deducted by Sherman from payment

### **4. Reports and Evaluations.**

a. Wasco agrees to provide reporting as designated according to the following schedule:

<u>Time Period</u>	<u>Reporting Due Date</u>
Quarter 1	October 30, 2014
Quarter 2	January 30, 2015
Quarter 3	April 30, 2015
Quarter 4	July 30, 2015

b. At any time, Sherman may request a representative of the program to appear at a regularly scheduled meeting to provide updates.

c. At any time, the contact person or their designee may conduct site visits of the program.

d. A final report and/or presentation may be requested by Sherman. This report/presentation may include program challenges and successes, a detailed summary of progress on the approved programs, as well as a dialog with the Commission regarding future program goals and targets.

5. Express Condition. This agreement is expressly conditioned upon Sherman receiving the funding anticipated.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this agreement in duplicate this day and year first above written.

SHERMAN COUNTY, OREGON

WASCO COUNTY, OREGON

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Gary Thompson, County Judge

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Scott C. Hege, Commission Chair

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Tom McCoy, County Commissioner

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Rod L. Runyon, County Commissioner

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Michael Smith, County Commissioner

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Steven D. Kramer, County Commissioner

Approved as to Form:

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Eric J. Nisley  
Wasco County District Attorney

## **ATTACHMENT A**

### **Scope of Work Sherman County Prevention and Promotion Agreement**

1. Engage Sherman County in a comprehensive Strategic Prevention Framework Process, which would include:
  - a. Training for stakeholders in basic understanding of behavioral health prevention and promotion
  - b. Training for stakeholders in risk and protective factors
  - c. Work with stakeholders to build upon previous and current efforts that match up with desired outcomes.
  - d. Assist stakeholders in completing countywide substance use and related behavior problem assessment. This assessment will include:
    - (1) What are the substance use and other related behavioral health problems?
    - (2) How often are these occurring (Frequency)?
    - (3) Where are they occurring?
    - (4) Current and needed resource capacity (fiscal, human, organizational, etc.).
    - (5) Readiness of the county to approach solutions.
2. Assist stakeholders in selecting appropriate strategies, activities, programs, and/or interventions that match up with desired outcomes.
3. Based in stakeholder involvement creating a usable logic model for Sherman County prevention and promotion planning.
4. Create memorandum of understanding and working relationship with stakeholders to access critical data points for collecting, planning and reporting outcomes at the local and state level.

## ATTACHMENT B

**Funding Period:**        **July 1, 2014- June 30, 2015**

Amount	Funding Stream	OUTCOMES	Approved Program Description
Not to Exceed \$30,000	AD70	Completion of Strategic Planning and Implementation plan.	Staff Support - Assist Sherman County with the office of Addictions and Mental Health to update and align the biennial prevention implementation work plan. Assist Sherman County in the comprehensive Strategic Prevention Framework Process (SPF). Work Plan attached.
\$12,500			<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Project Alert</li> <li>2. Lunch buddies</li> <li>3. Missoula Children's Theatre</li> <li>4. Senior Party</li> <li>5. Children's Fair</li> </ol>
\$5,000		Materials and Supplies	Mailings, copies, office supplies, and promotional items, snacks and meetings accommodations.
\$15,000		Contracted Services	Local contracts to coordinate and perform services within Sherman County. Contracts for promotional opportunities and community assessment and readiness. – This could include media campaigns, local contracts for services, and training opportunities.

**Discussion Item**  
**Surveyor Position**

- [No documents have been submitted for this item](#)  
[– RETURN TO AGENDA](#)

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**CONSENT AGENDA**

1. [Minutes](#)
  - a. [8.6.2014 Regular Session](#)
  - b. [8.7.2014 Joint Meeting with RAC](#)
  - c. [8.11.2014 Public Hearing](#)



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AUGUST 6, 2014

PRESENT: Scott Hege, Commission Chair  
Rod Runyon, County Commissioner  
Tyler Stone, Administrative Officer  
Steve Kramer, County Commissioner (joined late)

STAFF: Kathy White, Executive Assistant

At 1:00 p.m. Chair Hege opened the Regular Session of the Board of Commissioners with the Pledge of Allegiance. Chair Hege announced that Commissioner Kramer had been delayed. Ms. White asked that the Timber Products Manufacturers Association letter be added to the Discussion List.

**Discussion List – Legal Notices Contract**

Marilyn Roth, Publisher of The Dalles Chronicle, explained that the font size used in the paper has been reduced resulting in an increase in text per line of print. She explained that non-email submissions means that staff has to type in information as opposed to being able to electronically copy and paste it. The additional staff time means an increase in cost to the purchaser. She noted that the County always submits electronically, avoiding those increased fees.

**{{{Commissioner Runyon moved to approve the Contract for Publication of Legal Notices for Wasco County. Chair Hege seconded the motion which passed unanimously.}}}**

**Discussion List – Letter from the Timber Products Manufacturers Association**

Commissioner Runyon explained that since asking that this letter be added to the Discussion List, he had been in contact with Gil Riddell, Policy Director for the AOC. Mr. Riddell had advised him that this is a politically complex issue within the industry; the AOC is looking into it further.

Chair Hege stated that the Timber Products Manufacturers Association makes an interesting assertion that counties are coming out on the wrong side of this issue; it is worth exploring.

**Consent Agenda – 7.16 & 7.24 Minutes**

**{{{Commissioner Runyon moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Chair Hege seconded the motion which passed unanimously.}}}**

**Commission Call – Rowena Fire**

Commissioner Runyon reported that originally 70 homes were threatened by the fire; people are being encouraged to evacuate. Water and retardant are being distributed throughout the fire zone. Mr. Stone added that the County is working to find areas for staging equipment and housing crews. Parks and Rec has been contacted and the County is offering its 10<sup>th</sup> Street property for staging.

Further discussion ensued regarding the emergency notification system; the Board agreed that it is important that they receive all major event notifications regardless of their geographical profile within the system.

**Agenda Item – Youth Empowerment Shelter (Y.E.S.)**

Linda and Gary Casady reviewed the presentation included in the Board Packet. Ms. Casady explained that over the past three years she and her husband have gathered a group of like-minded people, formed a board and filed for registration. She reported that the application for tax exempt status is still processing with the IRS.

Ms. Casady explained that there is a gap in services for youth; a need exists for kids who are having some kind of problem at home that causes them to want to leave.

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Y.E.S. would provide a physically and emotionally safe place where kids can be connected to services and get help to work out what to do. The goal would be returning them home; if that is not an option, Y.E.S. will help secure an alternate placement.

Ms. Casady described these kids as “couch surfers” who stay with friends. She said that it works for a while but places a strain on the hosting families. She said the couch surfers represent a vulnerable population at risk of exploitation and criminal activity. Mr. Casady added that he has encountered some of these children through his work as a mediator which made him aware of the need.

Ms. Casady reported that every other area of the state has shelters while Wasco, Hood River, Sherman and Gilliam Counties do not. She added that 50% of the runaway population is foster kids; Y.E.S. wants to offer the services that give these kids a choice.

Chair Hege asked Youth Services Director Molly Rogers to describe previous programs to address this issue. Ms. Rogers stated that through the Commission on Children and Families in tandem with Youth Services there was a resident home program. The program had three homes established for care. One family moved, another kept their resident child as part of their family and in the third home the mother died and they withdrew from resident care. She said the program had been very successful but could not be sustained without the resident homes. She stated that the Juvenile Directors of all four counties are in favor of this program, but it needs to be supported by a non-profit organization.

Ms. Casady added that the adults in crisis families often will not ask for help, but kids may provide a gateway into that problem. She said they need to establish a shelter facility that is permanent and does not depend on the stability of host families. Ms. Casady requested a letter of support from the Board.

Commissioner Runyon asked if any churches have been contacted in an effort to locate a suitable building. Ms. Casady replied that they are talking with local churches. Mr. Casady reported that they have toured other facilities throughout the State and have gotten ideas for how to staff a facility. Commissioner Runyon asked if they might be able to get more families to participate. Ms. Casady explained that they will

need a central place from which to start – a place for the kids to be until a home is ready.

Ms. Rogers added that the biggest drawback to private homes is that they were paid whether or not they had a child in residence; they were paid to be at the ready when needed. Y.E.S. wants to do pre-work with these kids. She stated that coordination was also a challenge in the private home system; a central location would help with that. Another issue is a shortage of homes – placing more than one child in crisis into a private home is overwhelming to the host.

Ms. Casady reported that there is a grant for youth shelters, but it requires a basic center program. The purpose of the center is to bring kids in, stabilize them, get them services and move them on to other homes. She reviewed the staffing document, pointing out that most of the positions are part-time with only four full-time positions.

Commissioner Runyon said he would support an endorsement letter and suggested that Ms. Rogers could provide a draft since she is more familiar with the program and the need. Ms. Rogers agreed to draft a letter adding that there are federal resources and she believes some State resources will become available.

**{{{The Board was in consensus to send a letter of support of Y.E.S.}}}**

Commissioner Runyon asked how large a facility would be required. Mr. Casady replied that the state dictates square footage, number of rooms, separation of genders, intake and office space. He reported that they have identified three possibilities in the area with one of particular interest; they have also considered building.. Once a facility is secured, he is confident that they could be up and running in a month or two.

Ms. Rogers added that FEMA modular may also meet the criteria. She said that the TOOLS program would be more viable if run by a nonprofit and there may be a possibility of a partnership. She expressed her hopefulness for this group. The IRS status is key to moving forward and they should have that by the end of September.

**Agenda Item – APHIS Predator Control Contract**

USDA Wildlife Services District Supervisor Patrick Smith introduced himself saying that he supervises the eastern half of Oregon – overseeing the purchase of supplies and supervising employees with the district.

Chair Runyon asked how they came to \$86,000 as a budget for Wasco County. Mr. Smith replied that \$86,000 is the cost for a full-time employee working predator control in Wasco County. For the \$5,000 Wasco County has been paying, they can only respond to emergencies.

Commissioner Runyon asked what animals are being addressed in the program. Mr. Smith reported that it has mostly been cougars with some coyotes; feral pigs have also been a problem in the last couple of years. Chair Hege asked if there are any counties that employ full-time predator control. Mr. Smith replied that there are a few. Many of those have someone full-time to control ground squirrels.

Commissioner Kramer noted that there is a 5-year contract and the County will just need to determine a dollar amount each year.

**Agenda Item – Ready to Read Grant**

Chair Hege observed that this is District Librarian Sheila Dooley's last appearance before the board as she will soon be retiring. He presented her with a certificate of appreciation and thanked her for her service to the community. Ms. Dooley thanked the Board, adding that Senior Library Technician Suzy Goolsby is retiring on the same day.

Ms. Dooley explained that the Ready to Read Grant is an annual grant for which they apply to fund summer reading programs throughout the District. Ms. Goolsby reported that there are 20 summer reading events in The Dalles and a varying number at the other District libraries around the county. This grant will fund next summer's programs which help prevent the "summer slide" of student skills.

Commissioner Runyon asked if any matching funds are required. Ms. Dooley replied that the only "in-kind" is staffing and craft supplies. Chair Hege stated that this is a great program from which all children can benefit.

**{{{Commissioner Runyon moved to approve the Ready to Read Grant Application. Commissioner Kramer seconded the motion which passed unanimously.}}}**

Ms. Dooley invited the Board to join them at the library for a retirement party on September 5<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

<b>Agenda Item – Fort Dalles Museum ByLaws &amp; Grounds Use Policy</b>
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Trish Neal, Vice President of the Wasco County/City of the Dalles Museum Commission, introduced Elizabeth Wallace, Events Coordinator for the Fort Dalles Museum. Ms. Neal reported that the Museum Commission had worked to reduce the bylaws from sixteen to four pages. She stated that the Museum Commission has already adopted the bylaws. In addition, they have adopted internal procedures for handling cash transactions – the procedure manual is nearing completion.

Ms. Neal went on to explain that the grounds use policy is to cover liability and dictate how the grounds will be used. She said they are tracking expenses so they can know if they are making money or at least not losing money for events – fees need to cover grounds maintenance and staff time. They are hopeful they will find a way to make it work.

**{{{Commissioner Runyon moved to approve the Wasco County/City of The Dalles Museum Commission By-Laws. Commissioner Kramer seconded the motion which passed unanimously.}}}**

Commissioner Runyon commended the commission on their process saying that he is very pleased with the outcome. It was important for museum commission members to see how the process really works and they have done a great job. Ms. Neal agreed, saying that the meetings have been getting better each time and thanked Commissioner Runyon for initiating the process and working with the Museum Commission to develop the bylaws. They are now working with County staff to develop processes and procedures that will work, with an emphasis on keeping open lines of communication.

**{{{Commissioner Kramer moved to approve the Fort Dalles Museum Grounds Use Policy. Commissioner Runyon seconded the motion which passed unanimously.}}}**

Further discussion ensued regarding the rates being charged – Chair Hege noted that they seem low. Ms. Neal responded that they are looking at costs and she is sure rates will increase. Once they have documentation of costs, they will return to the Board for changes to the rates. She hopes that will happen by year's end.

**Agenda Item – Region 35 700 MHZ Regional Planning Committee**

Chief Deputy Lane Magill began with an update on the Rowena fire. He said there are 250-300 homes under some level of alert – Rowena went from level II to level III in five minutes. Chair Hege asked about how the emergency alert system had worked in this event. Chief Deputy Magill replied that the system automatically calls land lines in the area but many people no longer maintain land lines. In order to get notices on their mobile phones, people have to sign up for the notifications – only 15 people in the area are signed up. He added that a lot of outreach has been done to encourage citizens to register; the fire department is promoting it on FaceBook.

Chief Deputy Magill explained that a digital radio system has been developed that allows for vastly more frequencies than VHF. The government allotted a certain number of frequencies to designated regions. Wasco County, part of Region 35, was allotted 15 which is really 30 due to the way the frequencies work.

He reported that three weeks ago, Dispatch Operations Manager Jeanne Pesicka received a letter from ODOT stating that they would be taking 4 of Wasco County's channels. Polk and Yamhill counties received similar letters. He said that he has spoken to ODOT and been informed that they are taking the channels no matter what; he responded that he would not allow that to happen without Wasco County having a say adding that if ODOT wanted the channels they would have to pay \$1 million per channel.

Chief Deputy Magill attended a recent Region 35 meeting and expressed his opinion that this is an example of ODOT's mismanagement of resources. He explained to them that the FCC is in control of frequencies and Wasco County's position is that ODOT cannot arbitrarily take the frequencies that have been issued to Wasco County. This situation could mean the loss of 16-20 frequencies leaving too few to

operate.

Chief Deputy Magill explained that ODOT has a plan for more towers for which they will charge counties to use at the rate of \$90 per deputy per month; in effect they will be forcing counties to shoulder the cost of the ODOT system.

Chief Deputy Magill explained that although each county in the region is supposed to have a vote on the Region 35 Committee, Wasco has never been invited to the table. He said he there are plans to draft a letter to John Huffman, Greg Smith and Betsy Johnson to protest the proposed takeover. AOC is looking into legal action against ODOT and the State for misappropriation of frequencies. He added that he will personally be writing to the Oregon Sheriff's Association. He expressed concern that there is no oversight for Region 35, no governing board. He is advocating for an audit which he believes will uncover unethical practices.

Chair Hege asked Chief Deputy Magill how the Board could support his efforts. Chief Deputy Magill asked that they communicate with AOC. He added that it is not his goal to sue, but we cannot continue to allow ODOT to take advantage of us. Chair Hege asked that Chief Deputy Magill provide members of the Board with some talking points so they can follow up on this issue.

#### **Department Heads – Planning**

Planning Department Director John Roberts introduced Joseph Ramirez as his department's new Codes Compliance Officer. Mr. Ramirez has a military background and lives in Maupin. Mr. Ramirez said that he likes the job – it is something different every day.

Mr. Roberts reported that the City of Maupin is interested in exploring the possibility of contracting with the County for codes compliance.

#### **Discussion List – ODVA Funding Application**

**{{{Commissioner Runyon moved to approve the ODVA Funding Application. Commissioner Kramer seconded the motion which passed unanimously.}}}**

#### **Commission Call**

Chair Hege stated that he has talked to the City of The Dalles about getting back into the Road District at a lower rate or with a phase-in plan. Interim Director of Tax and

Assessment did some work and discovered that even with a tax rate of 25¢ per \$1,000 of assessed value, compression for the City of The Dalles would be 48%. Chair Hege stated that he does not believe it will be feasible.

Chair Hege recessed the session at 3:08 p.m.

### **Public Hearing – Formation of a Road Service District**

Chair Hege opened the hearing at 5:30 p.m. and explained the process that would be followed for the hearing – staff report, questions, and testimony.

Chair Hege prefaced the staff report by saying that in response to a serious roads funding shortfall, Public Works Director Marty Matherly had appointed a Road Advisory Committee (RAC) comprised of private individuals – orchardists, wheat farmers and business people. The RAC worked for 18 months and came forward with a proposal for a solution to the problem. He explained that the purpose of the hearings is to gather public feedback; the Board has not taken action nor will they take action until after they have completed the hearings process. At the end of the process the Board will decide to either move forward with placing the Road District on the November ballot for the voters to consider or they will choose to explore other avenues. He added that there is not a perfect time or place to hold hearings – there will always be someone who will not be able to attend due to the time or place. He said they have tried to set the hearings throughout the County to make it easier for people to attend. He then introduced Chuck Covert, RAC Chair.

Mr. Covert thanked everyone for taking time to attend the hearing and said that they do want the public's input. He reviewed the presentation included in the Board Packet, explaining the problem and the various solutions the RAC considered. He emphasized that the roads are essential to the economy and explained that it is much less costly to maintain the roads than it would be to allow them to continue to deteriorate and repair them later. He noted that there are 26 other road districts throughout the state of Oregon.

Mr. Covert expressed his disappointment that the City of The Dalles did not opt into the Road District; the result of which was a nearly doubling of the rate. He added that the loss of timber receipts devastated the budget for roads and he continues to

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press elected officials to put Oregon's timber back to work. However, even if that were to happen it would take many years to revive the industry – the roads problem needs to be addressed now.

QUESTIONS/TESTIMONY

Jack Archer (Pine Hollow) said that the City of The Dalles opting out with its huge tax base throws the entire burden on the rural community. He said he doesn't understand how they can opt out – it makes it an unfair tax.

Dan Erickson (The Dalles) noted that the green line on the presentation expense chart shows just the cost of personnel which is only about 50% of the cost – the actual cost is double that amount.

Another citizen explained that property owners in the City of The Dalles have been taxed to the legal limit. That means that other taxing districts will lose funding as a result of compression.

Mr. Covert stated that compression is difficult to explain but the City is most concerned about losing funding for the Fire District.

Mr. Linhares said that he had helped to write Measure 50 which is admittedly complex. He explained that it is applied on a property by property basis – some property owners would not see an increase while others would see a substantial increase. He said that the City of The Dalles is at the maximum combined rate of \$10 while most properties outside the City are under the \$10 limit. He said that the rate for the City is \$11.50 which exceeds Measure 50 limits. He stated that the complexity of the system makes it impossible to have an exact figure for the anticipated impact of compression.

Danny Ross (Maupin) stated that in 2012 there was talk of a local levy but it was discovered that by the time compression is calculated there would be no money.

Mr. Linhares explained that when compression is calculated, local levy options are compressed first.

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Melvin Ambrose (Maupin) stated that he had reviewed his tax statement and discovered that with the addition of \$2.03 in Road District taxes, his tax bill would go up 100%. He stated that he understands there is a problem with the roads, but he doesn't see the tax stopping at \$2.03.

Brian Manning (Pine Hollow) asked if timber revenues return would the tax be scaled back. Chair Hege replied that there would be a provision for that.

Jane Oliver (Wamic) asked how legislators had responded to Mr. Covert's pressure to allow timber harvesting. Mr. Covert stated that they all agree it needs to happen but it is not easily accomplished. The environmental issues are challenging – every timber sale is appealed. Until they can put something into law that prevents that, there will be no progress.

Zaporah Underhill (Dufur) asked if they had considered a combination of sources to address the funding shortfall. Mr. Covert replied that the RAC did talk about it; they are looking for something sustainable – it is definitely something to consider. Chair Hege added that they heard a lot about that idea at the first hearing.

Bill Archer (Wamic) stated that the farmers will be paying the biggest percentage of the tax. If they cannot pay the tax, the County may find itself with a lot of farmland. He asked why they could not go to the General Fund to make up some of the deficit for roads.

Mr. Covert pointed out that money would have to be taken from some other program that would suffer as a result.

Another citizen observed that during the presentation, Mr. Covert had stated that contracting out is more expensive. He asked for figures to support that statement. Mr. Matherly said that he could send those numbers to him.

Dennis James (RAC member) interjected that the committee had discovered that a contractor is going to be doing the work for profit while the County does it at cost. The construction company will have to charge a mark-up in order to profit.

Liz Turner (7 Mile) asked that the statement be supported with documentation. She

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noted that there are a number of knowledgeable people who seem convinced they could do the work for less.

Mr. Ross stated that the money is coming in based on the value of the land and is going back out based on the population which just exacerbates the problem. Land owners will pay proportionally more and receive less in return. It is unfair to raise the expenses on the people who will get the least benefit.

Chair Hege reminded everyone that the Board is not deciding whether or not to impose the tax; the decision is whether we put it on the ballot for the people to vote.

Merle Hlavka (Pine Hollow) said he recognizes the need to maintain the roads and improve them and commended the Board for being open and sharing information. He expressed concern about the method for raising funds saying that there are residents and landowners – all will vote but only landowners will pay. He stated that it needs to be more equitable.

Mr. Stelzer (Dufur) said that a committee should be formed to review the County budget and determine where the dollars are going. He asserted that farmers are the best businessmen in the world and well-qualified to review the budget for waste.

Georgia Murray (7-Mile) said she is not in favor of the Road District and read a prepared statement (attached).

Mariana Speck (Wamic) said she supports the rest of the speakers.

Kathleen Cantrell (Dufur) said she hopes everyone has taken the time to read the feasibility report – there is a lot to learn. There are so many layers to the issues that there is not enough time to go through it all at this meeting – it took the committee 18 months to understand it all. She pointed out that the Commission is trying to determine whether or not to place the District on the ballot. She stated that the hardest part to digest is that if they create the District they have the authority to tax up to \$2.03 per thousand of assessed value – they omitted that it cannot be less than \$2.03 and gives them complete authority to adjust that rate at will. She said she is not in favor of the tax or giving away her voice – the tax is unfair.

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Chair Hege said that \$2.03 would be the maximum tax rate for the district – the Budget Committee can levy less than that.

Jack Archer (Tygh Valley) said he would like to commend the committee who worked on putting this together but he believes there must be other solutions that they did not discover. He observed that we have an aging population. He said he will not vote for it and does not even want to see it on the ballot – there has to be another way; this rate is too high.

Anna Nolen said she supports Mr. Archer's comments.

Mike Davis (Tygh Valley) said he loves to hear the various comments and says this is what he has been hearing in the community. He said he has driven around and talked with area farmers and ranchers – they are not here but their sentiments are the same as those being voiced here – they are against this measure. He said that a lot of work has been done but there needs to be more and the citizens need to help guide that. He expressed his belief that there should be a combination of revenue sources that are manageable. He suggested that the rural population would grade and gravel roads that deteriorate and take care of it themselves. He concluded that a district should not go to the ballot – we need to look at other solutions.

Barbara Ambrose (Maupin) said she agrees with Mr. Davis.

Richard Dodge (Maupin) stated that he is here to appeal to the Commissioners. He has been a resident of Pine Grove since 1973 and uses the County roads; everyone used them – loggers and townfolk alike. He said the a way needs to be found that will have everyone paying not just the rural landowners. It should not go to the ballot. He said he understands a lot of work has been done, but taxing the rural landowners is not the way to do it – every taxpayer that uses the roads should help pay for them. He added that the federal government forcing industry out of the forest is a travesty – it has taken 20 years but we are now seeing the devastating effects of that action. He said if we don't have enough money, we need to cut services not raise taxes.

Janie Dodge (Maupin) said she fully agrees with Richard.

Zipporah Underhill (Dufur) said she agrees with what has been said and is against

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this coming to the ballot.

John Clausen (Dufur) said he agrees with what has been said.

Don Uhalde (Dufur) stated he works for the Road Department and has watched the effects of the funding changes. He said that the department does live within their budget and will eventually use the entire reserve fund. He said the rotation for maintenance was seven years and is now fifteen years. I said he is not in favor of paying more taxes either, but the roads need to be maintained.

Brad Lecklider (Friend) said that he agrees with previous speakers. He stated that his parents lost everything to tree-huggers in Klamath Falls. He said we need to maintain the forest and quit letting the environmentalists control everything – we need to get our timber back again.

Connie Lecklider (Friend) said she agrees with Mr. Lecklider.

Liz Turner (8 Mile) stated that we have to do what is good for the entire county and stop fighting over political positions. She said we need to stop giving land away to Columbia Land Trust – the land will go unused. She said maybe if the roads get so bad that we cannot drive on them, we will get mad enough to do something about what the federal and state governments have done. She expressed her belief that we need an economic development committee of real people to focus on the problem and be creative in encouraging economic development. She said the farmers cannot bear this load – it will suffocate them and they will leave. She said that we need to get wind energy in Wasco County.

Jean Underhill (Dufur) stated that her family has been in business in Dufur for 150 years. Only a fraction of the land they own is farmable and they collectively pay \$100,000 in taxes per year. To have another tax is outrageous. She observed that not only local residents use the roads but also fisherman, hunters, sightseers, etc. She said that she understands the disappointment of working hard to find a solution and being told to go back to the drawing board, but this tax is unacceptable to the community.

Bill Archer stated that he had been a logger for 20 years and it makes him sick to

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drive by where he used to work. He said it has been 30 years since any major logging has taken place. He said that a stand of timber is like any other crop – it needs to be maintained; the timber is deteriorating because it is not being managed. He predicted that if we don't realize this we will lose our forests. He said the tax is not fair to the farmers – electricity is up, fertilizer is up. They cannot bear the cost alone. He added that the County roads have weeds that he has to spray in order to keep the weeds out of his property.

Mel Ambrose (Maupin) said that he thinks most of the 300 miles of paved County roads are in the northern part of the County. The rural County should not pay for the north end paving.

Don Gomes (Antelope) stated that with the taxes he pays he could buy a load of rock for the roads. He said that the environmentalists are going to take down the food system just like they did the timber system – we need to tell them what is really happening and not worry about political correctness.

Dennis Ross (Maupin) said timber is a crop – some that has been burned out could be cleaned up and provide jobs. He stated that there are a lot of influential people who feel as we do about the timber – Greg Walden, Peter DeFazio and John Huffman. We need to talk to them.

Gabe Dixon (Antelope) noted that there were no representatives from his area on the RAC. He said they need to add people from the fringes so that they get the backing from the rural population – the entire county needs to be represented.

Dan Erickson (The Dalles) read a prepared statement (attached). He added that while \$2.03 is a significant tax, it will not double the current County rate of \$4.25. He reminded the group that the County heard no end of complaining when they cut snowplowing services to cut costs. He pointed out that it takes \$17 million of new construction to provide \$43,000 of new revenue. He said that the cost of materials for roads have increased at a rate greater than the business costs for farmers. He stated that we need to talk about these issues – if the Commission does not support the opportunity for this public discussion we will lose the opportunity. If the district is voted down then the Board has a legitimate reason to move on to other solutions.

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Mike Philben asked who will vote on the District. Chair Hege replied that only jurisdictions that did not opt out – The Dalles and Mosier will not vote.

Ms. Turner observed that the world population continues to increase but there is not more land on which to grow food – the agricultural base is important. She observed that she has a neighbor who does not use their agricultural land to farm but are paying the lower agricultural tax.

Mr. Ambrose said that he had heard that the City of The Dalles had approached the Board to opt into the District in the future. Chair Hege responded that the Board has not decided anything because the City has not officially notified them of anything. He noted that the County does not control the City, but is open to them coming in which would drop the rate to \$1.23 per thousand. He added that compression is a problem for the City – the Fire District would lose at least \$300,000.

Chair Hege went on to say that the Board can modify the rate or not go forward at all. He said they are looking for the opinions of the people. He reported that at their last meeting, the City Council talked about an additional 3¢ gas tax. He stated that the Mayor is interested in hearing from the southern county residents who are welcome to attend Council meetings. He said that the Board of Commissioners will have to come to a decision prior to the next City Council meeting.

Local orchardist Ken Polehn, stated that he is a member of the RAC. He reported that in the beginning the group thought they could fix this problem by finding efficiencies but discovered that the Road Department is already doing a good job with what they have. He said that the bigger issue is what do we want 20 years from now – do we want our roads to go back to gravel? He reminded everyone that their parents paid for these roads and if we don't take action, we will lose them. He stated that the RAC talked about the same issues that have been talked about today but the fact is that the shortfall is so great that the combination of increased gas taxes and registration fees will not be enough. He said this will cost him a lot, but he does not want to leave his community to future generations in a lessor condition than what was left to him. He said it is the citizens responsibility to make this decision – do you want to pay twice as much 10 years from now to fix something we can do cheaply today?

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Mr. Archer observed that the assessor's office will not hold back increasing the value of the land which will increase his taxes at any rate – that means with an annual increase in value, the amount of tax he has to pay will also increase.

Mr. Richardson said that we can't have happen to the rural community what happened to the timber industry. He said that he wants to leave the community improved but there must be a better way.

RAC Member Keith Mobley (Dufur) observed that the citizens in the room comprise a committee of voters; it is incumbent on voters to gather information and come to a conclusion. He said that he is a fan of lower taxes and less government but the roads need to be maintained. He stated that the County has been very careful with tax payer resources and were careful in selecting members of the community to serve on the RAC. He asked everyone to take the time to read the report and if they want to take the time to help find a solution, they should step up so that everyone can benefit from good roads.

Lanny Meter (Antelope) said that he wants to drive on good roads and appreciates the roads we have but if we cannot afford it we need to consider cutting other services, have more narrow roads, have gravel roads instead of paved roads, etc. He believes that the investment needs to be made into the bridges.

Another Citizen said that it takes money to maintain the roads; there are certain things we have to have and cannot do as individuals. He added that he believes we need to get rid of big government and then we will be able to afford to have those things.

Mr. Polehn explained that by state statute general fund dollars cannot be used by the road department. He said that until the laws change, we must abide by them. He added that the fight for timber sales must be fought back east – everyone on the west side of the country already understands the need and benefit of timber harvests. He encouraged everyone to join the Farm Bureau or Cattlemen's Association and let their voice be heard through these organizations.

Mr. Erickson encouraged the Board to implement the phase in plan for the proposed taxing district.

Chair Hege noted that many of the speakers seem to want the City of the Dalles to help pay but not to participate in the decision. He said that this measure would create another district that would take money from their existing districts. In addition, their property taxes will not be affected in the same way as the rural communities.

Mr. Meteer stated that whether The Dalles opts in or not, the County still pays to maintain 15 miles of their streets – the rural population should not be subsidizing the city streets. Chair Hege reminded Mr. Meteer that all the citizens of The Dalles pay the same County taxes that the rural residents pay.

Chair Hege asked if people would support doubling the licensing fees if that came to the ballot.

A citizen said we have to be careful and creative – we need to have a healthy community and bring jobs into the area; the unemployment rate in the southern portion of the County is 36%. Economic development is the answer.

RAC Member Dave Cooper said that if we are going to have economic development we will need roads – orchardists need the roads, farmers need the roads. He said that wear and tear on vehicles and unsafe driving conditions will be some of the results of deteriorating roads. He stated that while people may feel the tax is too high, we have to find a way to pay for the roads. The RAC asked all the same questions being asked here; he supports the District being placed on the ballot – if it is voted down, the RAC will have to go back to the drawing board.

Chair Hege thanked everyone for taking the time to attend the hearing and said that the Board is listening and aware that no one wants to pay more taxes. He announced that the final hearing would be held at 5:30 p.m. on August 11<sup>th</sup> in the Dufur School cafeteria.

Mr. Stone announced that there would be a community briefing regarding the Rowena fire tomorrow at 7:00 a.m. at The Dalles/Wahtonka High School.

Chair Hege adjourned the hearing at 8:02 p.m.

## **Summary of Actions**

### **Motions Passed**

- **To approve the Contract for Publication of Legal Notices for Wasco County.**
- **To approve the Consent Agenda – 7.16.2014 & 7.24.2014 Minutes.**
- **To approve the Ready to Read Grant Application.**
- **To approve the Wasco County/City of The Dalles Museum Commission By-Laws.**
- **To approve the Fort Dalles Museum Grounds Use Policy.**
- **To approve the ODVA Funding Application.**

### **Consensus**

- **To send a letter of support of Y.E.S.**

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JOINT MEETING WITH WASCO COUNTY  
ROAD ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
AUGUST 7, 2014

PRESENT: Scott Hege, Commission Chair  
Rod Runyon, County Commissioner  
Tyler Stone, Administrative Officer  
STAFF: Kathy White, Executive Assistant  
ABSENT: Steve Kramer, County Commissioner

At 3:03 p.m. Chair Hege opened the joint meeting with the Wasco County Roads Advisory Committee to discuss next steps in addressing the funding shortfall for maintaining roads in Wasco County. He said that there had been very little positive feedback from the hearings which were well-attended and provided a lot of input. He expressed his feeling that there is not a lot of hope for successfully promoting a taxing district; had the City of The Dalles opted in, there might have been a chance, but \$2.03 is hard to sell.

Chair Hege went on to say that one of the major things people want is a more equitable distribution of taxes; they also don't want the City ramming it down their throats. Most people seem to want a combination of revenue sources; he believes that a lower rate might have a chance. All avenues will be difficult as none will be popular. He said he understands the goal of solving the whole problem, but some is better than none.

Commissioner Runyon commented that the committee had done a great job and he

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had been ready to see the District go to the ballot but when the City of The Dalles pulled out, it changed everything. He stated that the rural population feels like they will be paying the entire bill. He added that although lowering the rate seems like it would be more palatable, it will still be imposed on only half the county's population. He reminded everyone that there is a 6 ½ year gap until the first Google building comes on to the tax roll.

Chair Hege added that the City thought they might come back into the District if the compression were lessened but research reveals that even a 25¢ per thousand rate would cause 48% in compression, so it is not something they are willing to consider.

Commissioner Runyon said that the library district's rate may need to be lowered as they are building quite a large reserve. He added that he had spoken to Senator Wyden a couple of weeks ago and he is hopeful about getting his bill passed.

Chair Hege said they had also heard that the senator who had replaced Wyden in committee is putting forward a proposal to fund Schools to Roads and PILT through energy taxes. He said there is some hope that could provide a piece of a solution.

Commissioner Runyon stated that the Board of Commissioners does not like to see the north versus the south within the County.

Mr. Stone stated that he has to come in with a balanced budget. He said that means the team will look at outside payments that are currently being made to see if they can be reduced or eliminated, capital spending may be reduced significantly, and they will look for new revenue sources – wind, for instance. He said the County needs to get back to flat ground but that does not address the challenge of stopping the roads from declining. He stated that the County will need to stop additional dollars from being drained from beginning fund balances and reserves as those funds may be needed to push the County further down the road to another solution. He said if the District doesn't pass, something will still have to be done.

Commissioner Runyon commended Chuck Covert for the outstanding job he has done in presenting information to the public.

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Chair Hege announced that the Board has until August 15<sup>th</sup> to get a statement to the State and have something in the Voters' Pamphlet. He asked members of the RAC how they feel about what has been said thus far, keeping in mind that the Board wants to be successful.

Keith Mobley said that we have people's attention – they are where the RAC was 18 months ago. He stated that there is a need to engage people and they won't be engaged if there is nothing on the ballot. He said that the proposed district needs to be on the ballot to keep the conversation going. He suggested putting it on the ballot with a plan to phase it in.

Chuck Covert said that the hearings have been interesting. He said that it bothers him that people's perception is that the Road Department has not been living within their means – they have. He asked to be shown another department that has functioned on 50% of what they were operating on 7 years ago. He went on to say that he is struggling with the idea that the rural community is paying more than they should and said that he would have answers to those questions for Monday's hearing.

Mr. Covert said that as for a different approach, that is fine but the department needs to return to their 2007 level. There needs to be a plan to get \$1.6 million in additional funding which will do nothing more than maintain what the County has. When people complain about a lack of services they need to understand it is because there is a lack of funding. The agricultural community pays a lower tax rate. He agreed that the City and the County need to be able to work together; we cannot be successful if we do not work together.

Mr. Mobley said Wasco County is known for coming together to get things done.

Chair Hege said that this has been unfortunate; the City has been good to work with and also wants to find a solution – the issue of compression is hard to overcome.

Mr. Covert observed that compression would affect all taxing districts and while the dollar figure for the Fire District is large it is because they have the largest budget – it is a percentage. He said he has spoken with Mayor Lawrence who also wants to find a solution that will work for everyone.

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Chair Hege observed that the licensing increase would have been easier. Mr. Covert agreed saying that the City would get 40% and that is attractive to them. Chair Hege added that absent the compression, he believes the City would have opted in to the Road District.

A member of the RAC asked how it is that the Library District is putting away so much money. Chair Hege said that the Library District's permanent rate is 68¢ per thousand and they had a plan to put money into reserve; they have built it up more than was planned. He said that the County Budget Committee sets the rate and can reduce that rate – that would be another conversation. He said it is ironic that if the County had let the roads go, people would understand the problem; because the Road Department has done such a good job, people don't see the problem. He said if you go over the edge, it is too late.

Mr. Covert agreed saying that they should have started coming up with a solution 7 years ago. Chair Hege said that the Road Department has spent judiciously and built a beginning fund balance.

Commissioner Runyon stated that most people think that the rate would never be reduced. He noted that he has insisted that if the District goes forward it needs to have a built in requirement to reduce the rate should other sources of revenue be secured. He said that at the Maupin hearing the Board asked if people would vote for the District were the rate to be lowered; they still did not want it.

RAC Member Sherry Holliday said that is what you will hear in the southern part of the County. She stated that many of the people attending the hearings are the chronic complainers who hate everything about the County. She added that the north vs south issue has been going on for years. She said that when she was a Commissioner she did not like to hear that there were northern Commissioners and southern Commissioners – she stated that it was not true; the Commissioners were all County Commissioners. She said she believes that the Road District needs to go to the ballot to keep the conversation going; only 1-2% of the population have heard about this – the rest do not understand.

Commissioner Runyon stated that the process has been terrific and he believed that the City would be involved. The City commended the County for the work that had

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been done. It is discouraging that they have opted out.

Mr. Covert said there was support at the RAC's educational public meetings. He said the same people have come to the public hearings over and over again. The more people there speaking negatively, the fewer who will be willing to voice their positive response.

Chair Hege observed that it seems as though most people agree that the roads are important.

Ms. Holliday stated that the population needs more education on the subject. Mr. Polehn agreed saying that until one of their roads washes out, it won't be real to them. He said he believes there is support for the discussion which is why it is important to keep it alive with a ballot. The economy cannot grow without infrastructure; business will not come to the area without good roads. Both Ms. Holliday and Mr. Polehn believe it should go forward to the ballot.

Chair Hege thanked the RAC for the time they have invested in this issue. He said that the Board understands the need to find a solution that is going to work to bring in resources. He said he also understands the concerns of the citizens and committed himself to finding an answer to this complicated issue.

Commissioner Runyon agreed saying that whether or not it goes to the ballot, it is unlikely that the County will have a Road District this year and there needs to be a plan for moving forward to a solution.

Chair Hege said he hopes the RAC will be willing to come back and have that discussion as they are the most educated on the issue.

Mr. Polehn said that if the conversation is moved forward through a ballot, there will be other people in the community who have something to contribute to the conversation – they need to be engaged and brought on board.

Commissioner Runyon stated that the Board just learned that a county gas tax can be imposed to include gas sold in the City of The Dalles. Mr. Polehn said that the RAC had looked at a gas tax which would have to be very high to bridge the gap; the

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Committee felt the taxing district was the best long-term solution.

Ms. Holliday said that when the Extension and Library Service Districts were brought to the ballot, the Board of Commissioners supported and “sold” them. She said for the Road District to have a chance of passage, it would require the support of the Board. She urged the Commissioners to vote their conscience – if they don’t believe that the District is the best solution, it will not pass under any circumstances.

Commissioner Runyon said that the process has been very good and he had been prepared to support the District going to the ballot until the tax rate went from \$1.23 with the City of The Dalles to \$2.03 without them.

One member of the RAC said that the Road District may not pass the first time it comes to the ballot but could pass on the second or third time.

Chair Hege said that the Board wants to solve the problem and understands the scope of the problem. He said the County will also have to look at how they can do with less in other areas as well.

Chair Hege adjourned the meeting at 4:03.

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PUBLIC HEARING  
PROPOSED ROAD DISTRICT  
AUGUST 11, 2014

PRESENT: Scott Hege, Commission Chair  
Rod Runyon, County Commissioner  
Steve Kramer, County Commissioner  
Tyler Stone, Administrative Officer  
STAFF: Kathy White, Executive Assistant

At 5:33 p.m. Chair Hege opened the public hearing and explained the process for the hearing: staff report, questions, and testimony. He thanked the public for taking the time to attend and observed that the roads are the County's most valuable asset. He said that the issue has been around for 15-20 years with continually declining revenue. He explained that the RAC was appointed and worked for 18 months before bringing to the Board what they feel is the best solution.

Now the Board is in the process of gathering testimony regarding the proposed District – this is the final hearing. He explained that the only decision the commission can make is whether or not to place this on the ballot; the actual ballot must be voted on by the public. He added that there has not been a lot of support so far. He said that when testimony begins, he would will use the sign-in sheet and would like to hear from supporters first and opponents second.

Chair Hege said that the RAC is made up of 10 citizens from around the County: Chuck Covert, Sherry Holliday, John Fulton, Keith Mobley, Ken Polehn, Dan

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Crouse, Dave Cooper, Paul Kuehn, Dennis James, and Phil Kaser. He introduced Chuck Covert as Chair of the RAC who would be making the staff presentation.

Mr. Covert reported that this would be the 24<sup>th</sup> or 25<sup>th</sup> public meeting the RAC has attended and delivered a presentation (attached) to educate the public. He stated that the goal has always been to determine why there is an issue and what could be done. He said that the decline is from forest receipts; revenues from timber were 56% of the budget but now are only 7% of the budget. At one time the budget for roads was \$4 million and has decreased by \$2 million. Staffing for the Road Department has dropped from 35 to 21.5. He ended his presentation by reminding people that when they complain about declining services such as snow plowing and road grading, the decline is a direct result of the shrinking budget.

At the conclusion of Mr. Covert's presentation, Mr. Polehn stated that there are 26 other road districts in the State of Oregon with rates that range from 60¢ to \$6.00.

Chair Hege asked if anyone had a question regarding the presentation asking that the audience limit themselves to questions only and hold their testimony until after the question period has concludes.

QUESTIONS

One citizen asked if there is any county on the list of those with road districts that is similar to Wasco County. Public Works Director Marty Matherly replied that most of the districts are similar to what is being proposed in Wasco County.

Another citizen asked for an explanation of the City of The Dalles opting out of the proposed district. Mr. Covert responded that by law, incorporated cities must be given that option. The City of The Dalles was reluctant due to the anticipated impact of compression on their other taxing districts.

Georgia Murray stated that she had called 15 counties and could only find one with a road district tax over \$1.00.

Another citizen asked if the cities opting in would get 90% of their taxes back for their streets. Chair Hege replied that Maupin would get most back but that would

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not be the case for the City of The Dalles. Much of what would have been generated by the City of The Dalles would have come to the County. Since the tax is determined property by property, some people would see a rise in their taxes while others would not.

The citizen stated that the unincorporated areas would not get that kick back. Chair Hege responded that the unincorporated areas would be seeing the benefits of the taxes they paid as they are in the County. He added that The Dalles will not be coming into the District – it is too late.

Another citizen said that he would like to see a broader proposal that includes recreational users. Even though that would not be as reliable or as much; he would like to see everyone share the cost.

Mr. Covert responded that the RAC talked about how to collect money from recreation but it is very difficult. It could require an agency for permits and fees or toll booths to charge every person. Each of those would require another expensive layer of government – even impact fees are problematic. He said the RAC is open to ideas on how to accomplish that.

One citizen asked if the County could collect from the Forest Service which has people using the roads to get to the forest. Chair Hege replied that there is not a mechanism for that.

Danny Ross asked if the Board knew that Maupin is already under compression. Chair Hege replied that they did. Mr. Ross said that are at a little more than 10% and will go up to 13.2% which will come out of Maupin's budget – a 20-30% cut. Chair Hege responded that it was Maupin's choice to opt in; they would net an increase to their budget with a road district.

Mr. Ross asked if the Road Department had been out to Juniper Flat. Road Superintendent Don Uhalde said that they have done chip seals on the two paved roads in Juniper Flat.

A citizen asked how much waste management pays. Chair Hege replied that they pay a tipping fee of \$60,000 to \$70,000 per month and are the third largest taxpayer

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in the County. He explained that those funds can be diverted to roads but will leave a deficit in other areas that provide a host of services. He said that the County has discussed it and it is a possibility.

Another citizen asked what can be done to get timber receipts back. Chair Hege stated that the County is working to make that happen but cannot predict the outcome; environmentalists fight against it. He said the County will get \$135,000 this year. He added that Barlow Fire District is trying to increase harvests. He reminded everyone that if other revenue can be secured, the road district tax could be reduced. Mr. Covert said that he speaks to legislators at every opportunity about all the benefits of the timber industry – it helps everyone. They say they are trying to resolve it.

A citizen asked if the road district would be a permanent tax. Chair Hege replied that the way it is proposed, it is permanent but the rate will be reduced by any other moneys that come in for roads. Mr. Covert said that it would be included in the measure as a requirement to reduce the tax rate commensurately to any other revenue secured for roads. He noted that not every district taxes to their maximum.

One citizen said that he understands the \$1.6 million target is inflated. Mr. Covert responded that \$1.6 million will only bring the Road Department back to the level they were at 7 years ago with no consideration for inflation; it is probably a little short of what they need.

Chair Hege added that while the rate would never go higher than \$2.03, the assessed value of property can go up which means inflation will be built in.

Ms. Murray stated that increases are limited to 3% if you do nothing to your property.

Mel Ambrose stated that he was at the August 6<sup>th</sup> hearing and made a statement that was not true. He had said that his County taxes would go up by 100% if the Road District passed. He said that he had looked at the wrong figures and wished to apologize to the Board, the Committee and the public. The real figure is just under 48%.

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Chair Hege thanked Mr. Ambrose and reminded the audience that the Board has a meeting scheduled for tomorrow morning at 10:00 a.m. to try to come to a decision. If they are unable to reach a decision at that meeting they have tentatively scheduled a second meeting for Wednesday afternoon at 4:00 p.m. He said the Board is interested in hearing from the public as to whether or not they want to see this on the ballot and if not what they would like to see as next steps.

TESTIMONY

Vickie Ashley (Maupin) said she opposes the proposed Road District as it is too much of a burden on the agricultural community – publically owned land should be taxed. In addition, absentee landowners will pay the tax but have no say. She suggested that the Road Department may need to be restructured and asked how many of them sit in the office. She said that the crews should go out together in one van and all roads not servicing more than one residence should be closed. She stated that the southern Wasco County residents do not want to pay for The Dalles area roads. She also said that the County should reduce the number of hand shovels purchased so that the leaners would have nothing to lean on.

Chair Hege explained that there is a law prohibiting local governments from assessing taxes on the state and federal governments. He noted that the BLM does pay property taxes.

Robert Wallace (Dufur) stated that he is opposed to the proposed Road District as written. He said that he appreciates both the RAC and Road Department. He said he has seen the County roads and Wasco has good roads. He went on to say that once the City of The Dalles opted out the tax was unfair. He suggested that they take the lessons they have learned through this process and come back to the public with something reworked. He said that they might consider doing a short-term levy.

Dan Carver (Maupin) said that he looked at his tax statement and pays \$9,000 to Wasco County but does not know what it is being used for. He said that The Dalles should not be allowed to opt out; he spends \$500,000 in The Dalles each year and can easily go elsewhere. They need to pay their fair share. He said that if cities can opt out, citizens should have that same choice. He said that he understands the burden and appreciates the citizens who have worked on this, but the proposed

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district would divide the County further.

Betty Odom (Maupin) said she is against the proposed Road District coming to the ballot.

Francine Bossio (Wamic) said she is against the proposed Road District coming to the ballot.

Tom Peters (Dufur) said that the roads need to be fixed and he is not opposed to paying for that but efficiencies within the County need to be identified first. He reported that he rented a car in Texas and was electronically charged \$125.00 in tolls. He said Wasco County needs to find a better way than a Road District.

Jane Oliver (Tygh Valley) said that they need to go back and build a better mouse trap. Chair Hege asked if she had any suggestions. Ms. Oliver replied that they should look at the suggestions that have already been made. She is opposed to the proposed Road District coming to the ballot.

Jean Underhill (Dufur) said that her family pays \$70,000 in taxes; she does not believe that the proposed tax will ever go away or be reduced, nor does she think the timber receipts will return. She stated that land values will increase which will also increase the tax burden. People other than landowners use the roads and pay nothing for that impact. She is opposed to the proposed Road District coming to the ballot.

Ms. Murray is opposed to the proposed Road District coming to the ballot. She stated that with only one woman, there was not a good balance on the RAC. She said that in most families, it is the woman who balances the budget; women economize while men just spend. She said that the County needs to find multiple sources to fund the roads and they need to reprioritize the roads. She suggested they go back to the drawing board and include more women on the committee.

Anna Nolen (Pine Hollow) said that she lives on a fixed income and pays a lot of taxes. She stated that she appreciates the work that has been done and appreciates the opportunity to be heard. She is opposed to the proposal as written as it places the majority of the burden on the unincorporated portion of the County. She said

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that Mr. Davis has made several good suggestions and she would support taxes that were spread out over more people.

Jack Archer (Tygh Valley) said that he stands with Ms. Nolen and is opposed to the proposed Road District as currently written.

Bill Archer (Tygh Valley) said that it doesn't matter where the tax comes from it will be an increase. He said that The Dalles has not made a big effort to restore their city – they should be working to attract more business but they don't let businesses come in. He noted that although they let Google come in they gave them a 15-year tax break – they are probably costing us more than they are giving us. He said that he is opposed to the proposed Road District coming to the ballot as agriculture is the only industry Wasco County has and if they cannot keep their head above water it will hurt everyone.

Lanny Meter (Antelope) thanked the Board for researching taxing the federal and state government. He said that we need to sell timber. He noted that we do not tax Warm Springs and asked if we maintain their roads. Chair Hege responded that we do not. He said the County needs to stop maintaining the 15 miles of road that are within The Dalles. He said he is going to determine who else does not pay taxes as well as how much land the County owns that should go on the tax rolls. Chair Hege said that the Board will also be looking into that. He characterized the Road District as legal plunder and said it is a waste of time and money to take it to the ballot as it is destined to fail.

Jay Ashcroft (Dufur) said that there are a lot of people like him who are on a fixed income and cannot afford the additional tax burden. He said he pays more taxes than his brother in Canby who has a nicer place. He is opposed to placing the proposed Road District on the ballot.

Paul Wolf (The Dalles) said he is against taxes in general. He said he has his house sold until the buyers found out how much the taxes were on it. He said the state and federal governments and the environmentalists should pay for the problem they have created. He agreed that contracting the work is not a viable option; he said he has experience with that as a contractor. He said the Tax Assessor is a vulture. He added that the people who use the highway should pay for it. He stated that he pays

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of lot of taxes to the State and more of that should come back to the County. He said that the County needs money to operate but there must be some lessor important things that could go to free up some money.

Ms. Odom said that with poorer pieces of ground they can barely pay expenses. She said conservation groups have offered her three times the value of the land; if they get it, it will go off the tax rolls – others have had the same experience. If taxes continue to increase, people will begin to consider those offers. She said she is opposed to the proposed Road District. She does not want to see small farms go to conservationists where no one will be allowed to make a living.

Al Stelzer (Dufur) said he agrees with Ms. Odom. He reported that he has tried to buy land only to be outbid by fish and wildlife. He said even when the forest service sells land it is bid on by other government agencies. He said he is amazed by how the County has been able to tighten their belt on roads. They did so because they had to – what if every tax receiving entity would do the same; we would have more money. He said the farmer already knows how to tighten his belt.

Mike Hulse (Dufur) said that Port residents pay but that never goes out to the rural communities. Chair Hege responded that the Port's focus is to create jobs in the Port area. Mr. Hulse said that Google has not created too many jobs and said he is opposed to the proposed Road District coming to the ballot. He thanked the committee for their work.

A citizen said that he agrees with Mr. Hulse. He also agrees with Ms. Odom that there is too much land going to government and conservation where taxes will not be paid. He said that the Road Department is good but we need to look elsewhere.

Mr. Ross said that the Board should go back and look at historical land use; we went from 20 to 40 acre parcels. Now the smallest piece of land we can sell is 160 acres – only conservationists can afford that. We need to get back to smaller parcels which will increase the tax base. He said the Board should not abandon the effort to save the roads, but should find another way.

A citizen suggested getting rid of some of the County roads. Chair Hege responded that they have vacated several roads and are open to doing so when petitioned.

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Another citizen asked how much it costs to place this on the ballot. Chair Hege replied that it is a negligible amount of staff time.

Mr. Covert said that he looked at how much taxes come out of The Dalles – it is a smaller area than the rural community. He noted that citizens of The Dalles pay into 16 districts, soon to be 17. He observed that he pays into the Extension and Soil and Water Conservation Districts which are both more for the rural communities but he supports that. A citizen responded that it takes a lot of acreage to support one calf and pointed out that citizens living in The Dalles get services that the rural community does not, plus they get the benefit of the customers.

Another citizen stated that most 4-H members are from The Dalles.

Chair Hege thanked everyone for their input. Commissioner Kramer said he appreciates all the effort and he wants to keep the conversation alive.

Chair Hege closed the hearing at 7:42 p.m.

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Scott Hege, Commission Chair

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Rod Runyon, County Commissioner

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Steve Kramer, County Commissioner

**Agenda Item**  
**Document Processing and Delivery IGA**

- [Finance Contract Form](#)
- [IGA for Document Processing](#)

# Wasco County Contract Processing Form

*To be completed prior to submission to the Board of Commissioners*

Date: 8/26/2014 Title of Contract/Agreement: IGA for Document Processing

Department: Tax & Assessment

Responsible Staff: Jill Amery

## Information Systems

Will computer rotation be necessary ? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Will this include ☐ Software Purchase ☐ Installation ☐ Maintenance Agreement?

Will this include a licensing fee? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ One-time ☐ Recurring

☐ Information Systems has reviewed this agreement ☒ N/A

Notes: \_\_\_\_\_

## Facilities

Will this agreement require any ☐ maintenance work ☐ new construction?

☐ Facilities has reviewed this agreement. ☒ N/A

Notes: \_\_\_\_\_

## Finance

Is this ☐ a new service or ☐ increasing an existing service? ☒ maintaining an existing service

Dollar Value of Agreement: \_\_\_\_\_

Is there a match requirement? ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Cash ☐ In-kind

Are these funds ☒ already budgeted ☐ need a budget adjustment? ☐ Other – Explain below

\_\_\_\_\_

Can this agreement be altered as work progresses? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Beginning date of agreement: July 2014

Ending date of agreement: June 2015

Notes: Agreement with the State to do tax mailings, annual contract.

☒ **REVIEWED BY FINANCE**



# Oregon

John A. Kitzhaber, MD, Governor

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State of Oregon  
Department of Administrative Services (DAS)  
Publishing and Distribution (P&D)

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT  
FOR DOCUMENT PUBLISHING, PROCESSING AND DELIVERY

USE OF STATE PRINTING AND MAILING SERVICES

Agreement Number 248 -14

This agreement, hereinafter referred to as "Agreement," is made and entered into this 25<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2014, by and between the State of Oregon, Department of Administrative Services (DAS), Publishing and Distribution (P&D), 550 Airport Road SE, Salem OR 97301-6084, hereinafter referred to as "State, DAS, or P&D" and Wasco County, 511 Washington St RM 208, The Dalles OR 97058, hereinafter referred to as "Political Subdivision."

**1. PURPOSE**

The purpose of this agreement is to reduce document publishing and mailing expenses for public agencies in Oregon by providing access to cost effective and efficient print-to-post technologies and services.

**2. STATUTORY AUTHORITY**

In accordance with and pursuant to the provisions of ORS Chapter 190, entitled "INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATION", the State is authorized to cooperate with and furnish services to a city, county, district, or other municipal corporation, commission, authority, entity or political subdivision organized and existing under statute or city or county charter in Oregon. By execution of this Agreement, Political Subdivision represents that it meets the criteria for cooperation or receipt of services from the State.

In accordance with and pursuant to the provisions of ORS Chapter 283.140, the Department of Administrative Services has authority to operate central mail services for state agencies where it is economical to do so. The agency is also directed to report opportunities for saving (money) through state agency mailroom centralization, consolidation, and automation and through mail route coordination.

In accordance with and pursuant to the provisions of ORS Chapter 282.020 and 282.050(2), "The Director of the Oregon Department of Administrative Services **or the Director's Designee** shall control and manage the state printing section and all state printing. (b) Control all state printing purchases, including those outside of the **Oregon Department of Administrative Services**; and any printing conducted outside of the **department** on behalf of state government may be conducted only through authority of the **Director or the Director's Designee**." "The Oregon Department of Administrative Services shall control and regulate the performance and production of all multiple duplication work required by state agencies and the purchase and use of multiple duplicating equipment, including but not limited to xerographic or other copying devices. The department shall itself perform, through the state printing plant, such duplication services for the state agencies as may practicably and economically be performed centrally, and for those purposes require that duplicating equipment possessed by any agency be transferred to the state printing section."

**3. SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED**

a) Upon Political Subdivision's written order, State will provide to Political Subdivision for the term of this Agreement, and in return for payment, document publishing, processing and mailing services which include but are not limited to: printing, duplicating, binding, folding, tabbing, inserting, metering, addressing, bulking, sorting and mailing.

b) Orders cannot be canceled by Political Subdivision except on terms that will compensate State against loss incurred in reliance on the order.

c) Title for finished work shall pass to Political Subdivision upon delivery to common carrier at shipping point or upon delivery to Political Subdivision, whichever occurs first. State's responsibility for the shipment ceases with delivery to the carrier and claims for loss or damage must be presented to the carrier.

d) (For printing orders) Upon Political Subdivision's request, proof will be furnished by State to Political Subdivision and promptly read, corrected (if necessary) and returned by Political Subdivision to State. State warrants that finished work will conform to corrected proof. State is not responsible for any errors evident in the proof if Political Subdivision does not review or correct the proof.

#### **4. TERM**

This Agreement is effective, and considered fully executed, upon signature by both parties. The initial term of this Agreement is one year from effective date of this Agreement. The term of this Agreement may be extended if it is mutually agreeable to do so. Such extension shall be in writing.

#### **5. CONSIDERATION**

Political Subdivision shall pay State in accordance with the rates and charges set forth in Exhibit B Rate Schedule.

#### **6. INVOICING**

Upon submission of job, Political Subdivision will provide DAS with an account number assigned to it by the State Financial Management System (SFMS). In the month following job completion, DAS will mail Political Subdivision an invoice for services and postage. The invoice will be mailed to the address associated with the account number assigned to political subdivisions in the SFMS.

#### **7. PAYMENT PROVISIONS**

Payment is due no later than 30 days after you receive the invoice.

#### **8. CANCELLATION**

Either party may terminate this agreement without liability or penalty, upon thirty (30) days written notice to the other party. No such termination shall prejudice any obligations or liabilities of either party already accrued prior to the effective date of termination.

#### **9. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION**

a) It is understood that using the services authorized by this agreement is elective on the part of the Political Subdivision.

b) The Political Subdivision is responsible for providing the State with the necessary information and/or files necessary to publish and mail in a cost effective and timely manner.

#### **10. LIABILITIES**

##### **State Liability**

a) State agrees to perform the work in a good and workmanlike manner consistent with the customs and practices of the industry. State expressly excludes all other guarantees, warranties or representations. State will not be liable for any indirect or consequential damages, with State's sole liability being limited to the repair and reasonable costs of correcting any errors that are attributable to State.

b) State shall not be responsible for delays beyond the control of State such as labor stoppage, equipment breakdown, strikes, delays of suppliers, contractors or carriers, fire, or acts of God.

#### **11. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY**

The Political Subdivision agrees that the State shall not be subject to any claim, action, or liability arising in any manner whatsoever out of any act or omission, interruption, or cessation of service under this Agreement. The State shall not be liable or responsible for any direct, indirect, special, or consequential damages sustained by the Political Subdivision, including, but not limited to, delay, interruption of business of service.

## 12. INDEMNITY

If any third party makes any claim or brings any action, suit or proceeding alleging a tort as now or hereafter defined in ORS 30.260 ("Third Party Claim") against a party (the "Notified Party") with respect to which the other party ("Other Party") may have liability, the Notified Party must promptly notify the Other Party in writing of the Third Party Claim and deliver to the Other Party a copy of the claim, process, and all legal pleadings with respect to the Third Party Claim. Either party is entitled to participate in the defense of a Third Party Claim, and to defend a Third Party Claim with counsel of its own choosing. Receipt by the Other Party of the notice and copies required in this paragraph and meaningful opportunity for the Other Party to participate in the investigation, defense and settlement of the Third Party Claim with counsel of its own choosing are conditions precedent to the Other Party's liability with respect to the Third Party Claim. With respect to a Third Party Claim for which the State is jointly liable with the County (or would be if joined in the Third Party Claim), the State shall contribute to the amount of expenses (including attorneys' fees), judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred and paid or payable by the County in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect the relative fault of the State on the one hand and of the County on the other hand in connection with the events which resulted in such expenses, judgments, fines or settlement amounts, as well as any other relevant equitable considerations. The relative fault of the State on the one hand and of the County on the other hand shall be determined by reference to, among other things, the parties' relative intent, knowledge, access to information and opportunity to correct or prevent the circumstances resulting in such expenses, judgments, fines or settlement amounts. The State's contribution amount in any instance is capped to the same extent it would have been capped under Oregon law if the State had sole liability in the proceeding.

With respect to a Third Party Claim for which the County is jointly liable with the State (or would be if joined in the Third Party Claim), the County shall contribute to the amount of expenses (including attorneys' fees), judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred and paid or payable by the State in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect the relative fault of the County on the one hand and of the State on the other hand in connection with the events which resulted in such expenses, judgments, fines or settlement amounts, as well as any other relevant equitable considerations. The relative fault of the County on the one hand and of the State on the other hand shall be determined by reference to, among other things, the parties' relative intent, knowledge, access to information and opportunity to correct or prevent the circumstances resulting in such expenses, judgments, fines or settlement amounts. The County's contribution amount in any instance is capped to the same extent it would have been capped under Oregon law if it had sole liability in the proceeding.

### Alternative Dispute Resolution

The parties should attempt in good faith to resolve any dispute arising out of this agreement. This may be done at any management level, including at a level higher than persons directly responsible for administration of the agreement. In addition, the parties may agree to utilize a jointly selected mediator or arbitrator (for non-binding arbitration) to resolve the dispute short of litigation.

## 13. DISCLAIMER

THE FOREGOING UNDERTAKING IS IN LIEU OF ALL WARRANTIES, EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, ANY IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE. STATE MAKES NO REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY AS TO WHETHER THE PRINT SERVICES ARE USABLE FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE, WHETHER OR NOT STATE HAS BEEN INFORMED OF THE NATURE OF ANY SUCH PURPOSE OR HAS OFFERED AN OPINION AS TO THE USE OF THE STATE PRINT SERVICES FOR SUCH A PURPOSE.

***Signatures of Approval***

When the parties sign this IGA, it will become approved and operational.

**Department of Administrative Services**

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

Customer Relations Manager

Publishing & Distribution

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

Contracts Manager

DAS Operations

Approved as to Form:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Eric J. Nisley  
Wasco County District Attorney

**Political Subdivision**

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

Title: Wasco County Tax Collector

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Wasco County Board of Commissioners

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Scott C. Hege, Commission Chair

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Rod L. Runyon, County Commissioner

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Steven D. Kramer, County Commissioner

**EXHIBIT A**  
**STATEMENT OF WORK**

**1. Political Subdivision shall:**

- a) Make all arrangements necessary to procure and deliver preprinted Property Tax Statement stock to DAS Publishing & Distribution at 550 Airport Road SE, Salem, Oregon. It is understood that no printing can commence until said stock is delivered.
- b) Order and arrange for all envelopes needed for mailing be delivered to DAS, no earlier than August 8, 2014, and not later than September 5, 2014.
- c) Provide files for inserts to DAS as mutually agreed upon between Political Subdivision and DAS project coordinator.
- d) Provide DAS project coordinator the projected date when live files are expected to be delivered to DAS no later than August 15, 2014.
- e) Use secure file transfer protocol (SFTP) to timely transfer files to DAS for printing and mailing.
- f) Ensure documents contain sequential numbers to aid in audit control.
- g) Bear the costs for overtime accrued as a result of the Political Subdivision's failure to meet agreed upon submission time.
- h) Bear the responsibility for any errors or omissions made according to the responsibilities set forth above, and shall in no way hold DAS financially responsible for the correction of these errors or omissions.
- i) Bear the costs for pre-paying postage required by the United States Postal Service for mailings. Check must be received seven (7) working days prior to mailing. Please make checks payable to Pitney Bowes Reserve Account. Detailed instructions provided by P&D Customer Relations Management representative (CRM).
- j) Provide completed data sheet five (5) calendar days prior to live printing. See example Attachment 1
- k) Testing shall be completed by September 19, 2014. NOTE: If lock box testing is required, testing must commence by August 13, 2014.

**2. DAS shall provide the following services:**

**a) Printing**

- i) DAS shall print property tax statements using the data files and property tax statement stock provided by Political Subdivision.
- ii) DAS shall store and secure tax statement stock during the printing process.
- iii) DAS shall print other materials as requested by Political Subdivision in accordance with established state printing standards and prices.

**b) Processing:**

- i) DAS shall fold and insert tax statements, and corresponding inserts, so that the address is clearly visible inside the envelope window.
- ii) To obtain the lowest possible discounted postage rate and in accordance with the USPS rules for automated first class bar-coded mailings, DAS will pre-sort up to two ounce mail pieces processed under this agreement.

**iii) Additional Processing as indicated by checked boxes.**

**Political Subdivision to check all boxes that apply and complete requested information.**

☐ Yes ☒ No Lock box testing required. Send lock box test to: \_\_\_\_\_.

☐ Yes ☒ No DAS will hold approximately \_\_\_\_\_ pre-specified statements for pickup by Political

Subdivision.

☒ Yes ☐ No DAS will use automated inserting equipment to insert approximately 12,800 single-page tax statements into windowed envelopes.

☐ Yes ☒ No DAS will use automated "smart" inserting equipment to insert multiple tax statements into #10 business envelope with expansion scored flap.

☒ Yes ☐ No DAS will hand-insert approximately 4,400 multiple tax statements into appropriate sized mailing containers.

**Political Subdivision to choose only one:**

☐ DAS will run all one and two ounce mail pieces through address update software to obtain discounted postage rates.

☒ DAS will not run presort mail through address correction software and will not print "Return Service Requested" on presort mail because Political Subdivision has envelopes pre-printed with the appropriate address update endorsement.

☐ DAS does not mail.

**b) Mailing**

- i) Non-letter size mail pieces will be metered and mailed as single piece.
- ii) DAS will store and secure all finished tax statements until the mutually agreed upon mailing date.
- iii) DAS shall ensure the mailing is delivered to United States Postal Service.
- iv) All mailing must be completed on or before October 24, 2014.
- v) Any errors or omissions which are made according to the responsibilities set forth above shall become the responsibility of DAS and DAS shall in no way hold the Political Subdivision financially responsible for the correction of these errors or omissions.

**7. Deliverables:**

- i) DAS shall ensure that the Political Subdivisions' requirements are met as set forth in the Statement of Work with a completion date of no later than October 24, 2014.
- ii) DAS shall provide the Political Subdivision with invoices that reflect services and material charges for the tax bill printing and mailing project at rates set forth below.

**Exhibit B**  
**Rate Schedule**

Area	Description	Rate	Unit	Notes
Print	Printing on Provided Stock	\$ 0.031	Impression	
Print	Variable data piece tracking	\$ 0.005	Record	
Mail	Insert and Meter	\$ 0.063	Mail Piece	Up to 5 inserts
Mail	OCR Barcode and Pre-Sort	\$ 0.037	Mail Piece	USPS Requirement to obtain the best available postage rate
Mail	Fast-forward address correction	\$ 0.110	Per corrected address	USPS Requirement to obtain the best available postage rate. Average 10% of total mail pieces
Mail	1-2 oz. First Class discount postage	\$ 0.381	Mail Piece	** Current US Postal Service rate (subject to change)
	<b>Other Services</b>			
Pre Production	Template Design	\$ 79.000	Hour	Only charged for non print ready files
Pre Production	Programming	\$ 79.000	Hour	Only charged for non print ready files
Mail	Metering for letters	\$ 0.098	Mail Piece	For Non Automated inserted letters
Mail	Metering for Flats	\$ 0.152	Mail Piece	For Non Automated inserted flats
Other	Hand Work	\$ 52.000	Hour	Hand Folding and inserting (as and if needed)
Other	Overtime	\$ 60.000	Hour	If print ready files are not received by the mutually agreed upon day and time, Publishing & Distribution <i>may</i> need to recover overtime necessary to complete the job on due date.

## Tax Insert Price Metric

### TAX INSERTS 2014

#### Insert Group 1

1 sided / folded – 8.5 x 11 and 8.5 x 14 Black ink on colored paper.

1-24,999 copies	\$.0360	per insert*
25,000-49999 copies	\$.0335	per insert*
50,000-99,999 copies	\$.0318	per insert*
100,000 + copies	\$.0314	per insert*

1 sided / folded – 8.5 x 11 and 8.5 x 14 Black ink on white paper.

1-24,999 copies	\$.0273	per insert*
25,000-49999 copies	\$.0249	per insert*
50,000-99,999 copies	\$.0233	per insert*
100,000 + copies	\$.0230	per insert*

1 sided / folded – 8.5 x 11 and 8.5 x 14 Black + 1 pms ink on colored paper.

1-24,999 copies	\$.0427	per insert*
25,000-49999 copies	\$.0379	per insert*
50,000-99,999 copies	\$.0347	per insert*
100,000 + copies	\$.0341	per insert*

1 sided / folded – 8.5 x 11 and 8.5 x 14 Black + 1 pms ink on white paper.

1-24,999 copies	\$.0341	per insert*
25,000-49999 copies	\$.0293	per insert*
50,000-99,999 copies	\$.0262	per insert*
100,000 + copies	\$.0253	per insert*

#### Insert Group 2

2 sided / folded – 8.5 x 11 and 8.5 x 14 Black ink on colored paper.

1-24,999 copies	\$.0390	per insert*
25,000-49999 copies	\$.0355	per insert*
50,000-99,999 copies	\$.0333	per insert*
100,000 + copies	\$.0313	per insert*

2 sided / folded – 8.5 x 11 and 8.5 x 14 Black ink on white paper.

1-24,999 copies	\$.0300	per insert*
25,000-49999 copies	\$.0269	per insert*
50,000-99,999 copies	\$.0248	per insert*
100,000 + copies	\$.0244	per insert*

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**Insert Group 2 continued**

2 sided / folded – 8.5 x 11 and 8.5 x 14 Black + 1 pms ink on colored paper.

1-24,999 copies	\$.0470	per insert*
25,000-49999 copies	\$.0419	per insert*
50,000-99,999 copies	\$.0386	per insert*
100,000 + copies	\$.0379	per insert*

2 sided / folded – 8.5 x 11 and 8.5 x 14 Black + 1 pms ink on white paper.

1-24,999 copies	\$.0394	per insert*
25,000-49999 copies	\$.0343	per insert*
50,000-99,999 copies	\$.0301	per insert*
100,000 + copies	\$.0303	per insert*

**Insert Group 3**

1 sided – 1/3 sht Black ink on colored paper.

1-24,999 copies	\$.0145	per insert**
25,000-49999 copies	\$.0115	per insert**
50,000-99,999 copies	\$.0099	per insert**
100,000 + copies	\$.0097	per insert**

1 sided – 1/3 sht Black ink on white paper.

1-24,999 copies	\$.0111	per insert**
25,000-49999 copies	\$.0084	per insert**
50,000-99,999 copies	\$.0069	per insert**
100,000 + copies	\$.0067	per insert**

1 sided – 1/3 sht Black ink + 1 pms on colored paper.

1-24,999 copies	\$.0206	per insert**
25,000-49999 copies	\$.0147	per insert**
50,000-99,999 copies	\$.0117	per insert**
100,000 + copies	\$.0112	per insert**

1 sided – 1/3 sht Black + 1 pms ink on white paper.

1-24,999 copies	\$.0171	per insert**
25,000-49999 copies	\$.0115	per insert**
50,000-99,999 copies	\$.0087	per insert**
100,000 + copies	\$.0082	per insert**

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#### Insert Group 4

2 sided – 1/3 sht Black ink on colored paper.

1-24,999 copies	\$.0169	per insert**
25,000-49,999 copies	\$.0128	per insert**
50,000-99,999 copies	\$.0107	per insert**
100,000 + copies	\$.0105	per insert**

2 sided – 1/3 sht Black ink on white paper.

1-24,999 copies	\$.0134	per insert**
25,000-49,999 copies	\$.0097	per insert**
50,000-99,999 copies	\$.0077	per insert**
100,000 + copies	\$.0075	per insert**

2 sided – 1/3 sht Black ink + 1 pms on colored paper.

1-24,999 copies	\$.0214	per insert**
25,000-49,999 copies	\$.0164	per insert**
50,000-99,999 copies	\$.0133	per insert**
100,000 + copies	\$.0127	per insert**

2 sided – 1/3 sht Black + 1 pms ink on white paper.

1-24,999 copies	\$.0176	per insert**
25,000-49,999 copies	\$.0131	per insert**
50,000-99,999 copies	\$.0102	per insert**
100,000 + copies	\$.0096	per insert**

#### Specifications:

OCE reserves the right to review annually documentation of its expenses for utilities, materials and supplies, equipment, and personnel to determine if a price adjustment is necessary to maintain the service provided in this agreement.

\*Stocks quoted in this estimate are on a #20 basis.

\*\*Stocks quoted in this estimate are on a #70 basis

Printing process uses Soy Ink, Recycled stocks and chemical free printing plate process.

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## Property Tax Statements - Detail Sheet Tax Year (YYYY)

Date	mm/dd/yyyy
County Name	Columbia
Address	230 Strand ST St Helens OR 97051
Contact	Mary Ann Guess
Phone	503-397-0060
Agency #	1000055
Fast Forward OK	Yes or No
Main Mailing Envelope	#10 White w/ left window
Number of Print Files	8

Order Number	XXXXXXX
Test Order Number	XXXXXXX
Total Number of inserts	
Insert # 1	#9 Green Return Envelope
Insert # 2	
Insert # 3	
Print File Transmit Date	mm/dd/yyyy
Mail Date	mm/dd/yyyy
Okay to Mail Sooner	Yes or No
Pick up Date	mm/dd/yyyy

							Seq Begin	Seq End	Cntrl Begin	Cntrl End
Batch (file) Name	File Number	Record Qty	*Form Color - Size	Mail/Deliver	Mail, Ship, Package or Delivery Instructions		Control #		Multiple Batch #	
7000571 Columbia TS Fish and Wildlife 23.pdf	774	23	Green - 11"	Deliver	Leave FLAT - Ship UPS Overnight to County		000001	000023		
7000571 Columbia TS Foreclosure 74.pdf	773	74	Green - 11"	Deliver	Leave FLAT - Ship UPS Overnight to County		000001	000074		
7000571 Columbia TS Green 1 5000.pdf	780	5,000	Green - 11"	Mail	Insert #9 green envelope		000001	005000		
7000571 Columbia TS Green 5001 10000.pdf	780	5,000	Green - 11"	Mail	Insert #9 green envelope		005001	010000		
7000571 Columbia TS Green 10001 15000.pdf	780	5,000	Green - 11"	Mail	Insert #9 green envelope		010001	015000		
7000571 Columbia TS Green 15001 16155.pdf	780	1,155	Green - 11"	Mail	Insert #9 green envelope		015001	016155		
7000571 Columbia TS Yellow 1 5000.pdf	779	5,000	Yellow - 11"	Mail			000001	005000		
7000571 Columbia TS Yellow 5001 7724.pdf	779	2,724	Yellow - 11"	Mail			005001	007724		

Total Print Qty	23,976
Return to County	xxxx
Mail	xxxx
Green Form	xxxx
Yellow Form	xxxx

\* Form Color Options: Green, Yellow, Green/Black or Yellow/Black  
 \* Form Size Options: 11" or 14"

Files sent in this manner (combined and grouped in like production needs)  
 allow counties the maximum cost benefits.

## **Agenda Item**

### **Mosier Watershed Appointments**

- [Memo](#)
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- [Order #14-070 Appointing Todd Stevens](#)
- [Order #14-071 Appointing Wade Root](#)
- [Order #14-072 Appointing Susan Gabay](#)
- [Order #14-073 Appointing Kenneth Lite](#)
- [Order #14-074 Appointing Peter Dalke](#)
- [Order #14-075 Appointing Jim Reed](#)
- [Order #14-076 Appointing Philip Evans](#)
- [Order #14-077 Appointing Karen Bailey](#)
- [Order #14-078 Appointing Mike Igo](#)

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**MEMORANDUM**

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**TO:** BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
**FROM:** KATHY WHITE  
**SUBJECT:** MOSIER WATERSHED COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS  
**DATE:** 8/25/2014

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**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Prior to this year's formation of the OWEB required Local Watershed Councils Coordinating Board, the Mosier Watershed Council appointed only a chair and co-chair to their council; all Mosier Watershed residents were by default "members" of the council. A core group of citizens regularly participated in Mosier Watershed Council meetings.

OWEB now requires formal appointments to each council. The appointments included in the Board packet and recommended by Wasco County Soil and Water Conservation District reflect the active membership in the Mosier Watershed Council. Appointments to the Council are three years in term; however, you will note that the enclosed appointments are for one, two and three year terms. I have spoken to Anna Buckley and we agreed that the initial appointment expirations need to be staggered to maintain continuity on the Council.

Since a chair and co-chair have been previously appointed, there are not appointments included for them – their appointments will come up for renewal as scheduled. All watershed appointments are scheduled to expire on December 31<sup>st</sup>.



Kathy White <kathyw@co.wasco.or.us>

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## County Appointments for Mosier Watershed Council

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**Buckley, Anna - NRCS - The Dalles, OR** <Anna.Buckley@or.nacdnet.net>

Thu, Aug 14, 2014 at 9:30 AM

To: "Kathy White (kathyw@co.wasco.or.us)" <kathyw@co.wasco.or.us>

Hi Kathy – Please find the 10 applications for the Mosier Watershed Council appointments. Kris McNall and Bryce Molesworth were already appointed.

Per the by-laws, county appointments are for three year terms and should expire on a staggered basis. How would the county like to deal with the expiration dates ?

Thank you!

Anna

Anna Buckley  
Wasco County Watershed Councils Coordinator  
Wasco County Soil and Water Conservation District  
2325 River Road, Suite 3  
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Appointee of Mosier Watershed Council

Name: Kathleen Fitzpatrick

Address: [REDACTED]

Phone: [REDACTED]

E-mail address: [REDACTED]

Signature: [REDACTED]

Date: June 16, 14

Number of years you have lived and/or worked in Wasco County: 17 years

Your objectives/goals? Desired contributions and accomplishments? General Comments.

*To represent the City of Mosier in a mutually beneficial partnership with the Mosier Watershed Council.*

Approximate hours/week available for this commitment? Available for scheduled meetings and special projects.

Education (school, college, training, apprenticeships, degrees, etc.) \_

M.A. Date(s): 1984

Experience (work, volunteering, leadership roles, achievements etc.)

*Mosier Watershed Council volunteer: 2003-Present*

*Mosier City Council and Council President: 2006-2013*

*City Manager, City of Mosier Date(s): Present*

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Appointee of Mosier Watershed Council

Name: Todd Stevens

Address: [REDACTED]

Phone: [REDACTED]

E-mail address: [REDACTED]

Signature: 

Date: 6/12/2014

Number of years you have lived and/or worked in Wasco County: > 40

Your objectives/goals? Desired contributions and accomplishments? General Comments.

Contribute scientific perspective and/or local knowledge to watershed council business.

Approximate hours/week available for this commitment? 1 - 2

Education (school, college, training, apprenticeships, degrees, etc.)

Ph.D. Microbial Ecology, University of Idaho 1989; M.S. Microbiology, Michigan State University, 1986;  
B.S. Microbiology, Oregon State University, 1984.

Experience (work, volunteering, leadership roles, achievements etc.)

Private Consulting, 2001 to present; Senior Research Scientist, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, 1989 - 2001;  
National Research Council Task Group 1996-1997; Adjunct Professor, PSU and CGCC 2001 - 2008; Studied  
geobiology of Columbia River Basalt aquifers for > 20 years.

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Appointee of Mosier Watershed Council

Name: Wade Root

Address: [REDACTED]

Phone: [REDACTED]

E-mail address: [REDACTED]

Signature: Wade Root

Date: 6/4/14

Number of years you have lived and/or worked in Wasco County: 56

Your objectives/goals ? Desired contributions and accomplishments? General Comments.

Approximate hours/week available for this commitment? \_\_\_\_\_

Education (school, college, training, apprenticeships, degrees, etc.)

Oregon State Univ. 1977-1980

Date(s): 1977-1980 BS in Ag Econ

Date(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Experience (work, volunteering, leadership roles, achievements etc.)

Duckwall Fruit

Date(s): 1994 - Present

Underwood Fruit

Date(s): 1981 - 1994

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Appointee of Mosier Watershed Council

Name: Susan Gabay

Address:

[Redacted Address] Mosier OR  
97040

Phone:

[Redacted Phone]

E-mail address:

[Redacted Email]

Signature:

Susan Gabay

Date:

6/18/14

Number of years you have lived and/or worked in Wasco County:

38

Your objectives/goals? Desired contributions and accomplishments? General Comments.

work for benefit of community and environment, especially preservation  
of water resources / long term resident of the community been

Approximate hours/week available for this commitment?

2/wk

tracking  
water issues  
since early  
80's here

Education (school, college, training, apprenticeships, degrees, etc.)

Bachelor of Arts, State Univ

Date(s):

of NY at  
Albany

Date(s):

6/1972

Experience (work, volunteering, leadership roles, achievements etc.)

15 yr member Mid Columbia Chapter of Native Plant Society 1978-1993

Board of Directors, One Community Health (La Clinica del Cansino) since  
1991

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Board of Directors, Columbia Gorge Education Service District since  
2003 + present

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Appointee of Mosier Watershed Council

Name: Ken Lite

Address: [REDACTED]

Phone: [REDACTED] E-mail address: [REDACTED]

Signature: *Ken A E Lite* Date: 7-29-14

Number of years you have lived and/or worked in Wasco County: 29

Your objectives/goals ? Desired contributions and accomplishments? General Comments. To represent Oregon Water Resources Department and provide technical assistance to the council members on groundwater related issues.

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Approximate hours/week available for this commitment? 2

Education (school, college, training, apprenticeships, degrees, etc.)

BS Geology Date(s): 1978

MS Geology Date(s): 1992

Experience (work, volunteering, leadership roles, achievements etc.)

OWRD Mosier Groundwater Study and Report Date(s): 1988

Ongoing groundwater research in Mosier Date(s):

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Appointee of Mosier Watershed Council

Name: Peter Dalke

Address: [Redacted] Mosier 97040

Phone: [Redacted] E-mail address: [Redacted]

Signature: [Signature] Date: 7/30/14

Number of years you have lived and/or worked in Wasco County: 20+

Your objectives/goals? Desired contributions and accomplishments? General Comments.

Watershed health, riparian restoration, noxious weeds

Approximate hours/week available for this commitment? Ave 1-2/week

Education (school, college, training, apprenticeships, degrees, etc.)

Univ. of Va. - Enviro. Science Date(s): 1980

Penn State - MBA Date(s): 1983

Experience (work, volunteering, leadership roles, achievements etc.)

DEQ Date(s): 1988-2009

Portland State - Oregon Solutions Date(s): 2004-present

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Appointee of MOSIER Watershed Council

Name: Jim Reed

Address: [REDACTED]

Phone: [REDACTED] E-mail address: [REDACTED]

Signature: [Signature] Date: 7/30/14

Number of years you have lived and/or worked in Wasco County: 60

Your objectives/goals? Desired contributions and accomplishments? General Comments.

Interested in water for irrigation & City Use - less of pollution

Approximate hours/week available for this commitment? 2

Education (school, college, training, apprenticeships, degrees, etc.)

B.S. Oregon State Date(s): 1970

Date(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Experience (work, volunteering, leadership roles, achievements etc.)

Orchardist Date(s): 1993 - 2014

Date(s): \_\_\_\_\_

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Appointee of MOSIER Watershed Council

Name: Philip Evans

Address: [REDACTED]

Phone: [REDACTED]

mail address: [REDACTED]

Signature: Philip Evans

Date: 7/30/2014

Number of years you have lived and/or worked in Wasco County: 40

Your objectives/goals? Desired contributions and accomplishments? General Comments.

Contribute to A board that helps ensure reasonable and responsible water use in the Mosier Valley.

Approximate hours/week available for this commitment? 2-3

Education (school, college, training, apprenticeships, degrees, etc.)

WAHATONKA High School

Date(s): Graduated '88

Lipfield College

Date(s): Graduated BS 1997

Experience (work, volunteering, leadership roles, achievements etc.)

Orchard owner 2000 - Present

Date(s):

Emergency Room RN, 1997 - Present

Date(s):

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Appointee of Mosier Watershed Council

Name: Karen Bailey

Address: [REDACTED]

Phone: [REDACTED] E-mail address: [REDACTED]

Signature: Karen Bailey Date: 7-30-14

Number of years you have lived and/or worked in Wasco County: 43 yrs

Your objectives/goals? Desired contributions and accomplishments? General Comments.

Concern over Mosier's falling water well levels  
& how it can be mitigated

Approximate hours/week available for this commitment? Dependent on need

Education (school, college, training, apprenticeships, degrees, etc.)

Some College Date(s): Mostly in the 1960's

Non Credit Classes in Education Date(s): During the '80's & 90's

Experience (work, volunteering, leadership roles, achievements etc.)

Mid Columbia Reading Council, pres. Date(s): '90's late 90's

Mosier Home Extension Date(s):

Mosier Christmas Baskets - Co-chain - past 3 yrs. before that 20yrs service

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Appointee of MOSIER Watershed Council

Name: MIKE IGO

Address: [REDACTED]

Phone: [REDACTED] E-mail address: N/A

Signature: Michael Igo Date: 7-1-14

Number of years you have lived and/or worked in Wasco County: 23 YEARS

Your objectives/goals? Desired contributions and accomplishments? General Comments.

WORK WITH NATIVE PLANTS TO IMPROVE WATERSHED CONDITIONS  
BOTANICAL SURVEYS, SEED COLLECTION, NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL

Approximate hours/week available for this commitment? 10 HRS

Education (school, college, training, apprenticeships, degrees, etc.)

MADISON HIGH SCHOOL PORTLAND Date(s): 1970

FIRE SCIENCE AA COMMUNITY COLLEGE AIRFORCE Date(s): 1977

Experience (work, volunteering, leadership roles, achievements etc.)

FIRE CHIEF PORTLAND AIRBASE ANG Date(s): 1978-1980

PORT OF PORTLAND AIRPORT CRASH FIRE Date(s): FIREFIGHTER TO TRAINING SUPERVISOR  
1980-1985

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USFS CREW SUPERVISOR, ENGINE BOSS D-2 1989 & 1990

T&E BOTANICAL SURVEYS D-2 1989 & 1990

NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY CHAPTER PRESIDENT MOSIER 1993-1995

STATE PRESIDENT NPSO 1995-1999

NUMEROUS PLANT (BOTANICAL) PROJECTS FOR: USFS, BLM, OPRD, ODOT  
COLUMBIA GORGE DISCOVERY CENTER, CITY OF MOSIER, INTER-FLUEV  
1995 TO PRESENT

CURRENTLY SERVING AS PROJECT BOTANIST: ROCK CREEK FISH PROJECT

ATTENDED FIRST MEETING MOSIER WATER SHED COUNCIL,  
BEEN AROUND EVER SINCE.

IN THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE STATE OF OREGON  
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WASCO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPOINTMENT OF )  
KATHLEEN FITZPATRICK TO THE ) O R D E R  
MOSIER WATERSHED COUNCIL ) #14-069

NOW ON THIS DAY, the above-entitled matter having come on  
regularly for consideration, said day being one duly set in term for the  
transaction of public business and a majority of the Board of Commissioners  
being present; and

IT APPEARING TO THE BOARD: That the Wasco County Soil &  
Water Conservation District has requested that the Wasco County Board of  
Commissioners appoint individuals to the Mosier Watershed Council; and

IT FURTHER APPEARING TO THE BOARD: That Kathleen  
Fitzpatrick is willing and is qualified to be appointed to the Mosier Watershed  
Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED: That Kathleen Fitzpatrick be and is hereby appointed to the Mosier Watershed Council for a term to expire on December 31, 2017.

DATED this 3rd day of September, 2014.

WASCO COUNTY BOARD  
OF COMMISSIONERS

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Scott C. Hege, Commission Chair

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Rod L. Runyon, County Commissioner

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Steven D. Kramer, County Commissioner

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Eric J. Nisley  
Wasco County District Attorney

IN THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE STATE OF OREGON  
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WASCO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPOINTMENT OF )  
TODD STEVENS TO THE ) O R D E R  
MOSIER WATERSHED COUNCIL ) #14-070

NOW ON THIS DAY, the above-entitled matter having come on  
regularly for consideration, said day being one duly set in term for the  
transaction of public business and a majority of the Board of Commissioners  
being present; and

IT APPEARING TO THE BOARD: That the Wasco County Soil &  
Water Conservation District has requested that the Wasco County Board of  
Commissioners appoint individuals to the Mosier Watershed Council; and

IT FURTHER APPEARING TO THE BOARD: That Todd Stevens is  
willing and is qualified to be appointed to the Mosier Watershed Council.

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPOINTMENT OF )  
WADE ROOT TO THE ) O R D E R  
MOSIER WATERSHED COUNCIL ) #14-071

NOW ON THIS DAY, the above-entitled matter having come on  
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IT APPEARING TO THE BOARD: That the Wasco County Soil &  
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IT FURTHER APPEARING TO THE BOARD: That Wade Root is  
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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPOINTMENT OF )  
SUSAN GABAY TO THE ) O R D E R  
MOSIER WATERSHED COUNCIL ) #14-072

NOW ON THIS DAY, the above-entitled matter having come on  
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being present; and

IT APPEARING TO THE BOARD: That the Wasco County Soil &  
Water Conservation District has requested that the Wasco County Board of  
Commissioners appoint individuals to the Mosier Watershed Council; and

IT FURTHER APPEARING TO THE BOARD: That Susan Gabay is  
willing and is qualified to be appointed to the Mosier Watershed Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED: That Susan Gabay  
be and is hereby appointed to the Mosier Watershed Council for a term to  
expire on December 31, 2016.

DATED this 3rd day of September, 2014.

WASCO COUNTY BOARD  
OF COMMISSIONERS

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Scott C. Hege, Commission Chair

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Rod L. Runyon, County Commissioner

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Steven D. Kramer, County Commissioner

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Eric J. Nisley  
Wasco County District Attorney

IN THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE STATE OF OREGON  
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WASCO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPOINTMENT OF )  
KENNETH LITE TO THE ) O R D E R  
MOSIER WATERSHED COUNCIL ) #14-073

NOW ON THIS DAY, the above-entitled matter having come on  
regularly for consideration, said day being one duly set in term for the  
transaction of public business and a majority of the Board of Commissioners  
being present; and

IT APPEARING TO THE BOARD: That the Wasco County Soil &  
Water Conservation District has requested that the Wasco County Board of  
Commissioners appoint individuals to the Mosier Watershed Council; and

IT FURTHER APPEARING TO THE BOARD: That Kenneth Lite is  
willing and is qualified to be appointed to the Mosier Watershed Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED: That Kenneth Lite  
be and is hereby appointed to the Mosier Watershed Council for a term to  
expire on December 31, 2016.

DATED this 3rd day of September, 2014.

WASCO COUNTY BOARD  
OF COMMISSIONERS

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Scott C. Hege, Commission Chair

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Rod L. Runyon, County Commissioner

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Steven D. Kramer, County Commissioner

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Eric J. Nisley  
Wasco County District Attorney

IN THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE STATE OF OREGON  
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WASCO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPOINTMENT OF )  
PETER DALKE TO THE ) O R D E R  
MOSIER WATERSHED COUNCIL ) #14-074

NOW ON THIS DAY, the above-entitled matter having come on  
regularly for consideration, said day being one duly set in term for the  
transaction of public business and a majority of the Board of Commissioners  
being present; and

IT APPEARING TO THE BOARD: That the Wasco County Soil &  
Water Conservation District has requested that the Wasco County Board of  
Commissioners appoint individuals to the Mosier Watershed Council; and

IT FURTHER APPEARING TO THE BOARD: That Peter Dalke is  
willing and is qualified to be appointed to the Mosier Watershed Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED: That Peter Dalke be and is hereby appointed to the Mosier Watershed Council for a term to expire on December 31, 2016.

DATED this 3rd day of September, 2014.

WASCO COUNTY BOARD  
OF COMMISSIONERS

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Scott C. Hege, Commission Chair

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Rod L. Runyon, County Commissioner

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Steven D. Kramer, County Commissioner

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Eric J. Nisley  
Wasco County District Attorney

IN THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE STATE OF OREGON  
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WASCO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPOINTMENT OF )  
JIM REED TO THE ) O R D E R  
MOSIER WATERSHED COUNCIL ) #14-075

NOW ON THIS DAY, the above-entitled matter having come on  
regularly for consideration, said day being one duly set in term for the  
transaction of public business and a majority of the Board of Commissioners  
being present; and

IT APPEARING TO THE BOARD: That the Wasco County Soil &  
Water Conservation District has requested that the Wasco County Board of  
Commissioners appoint individuals to the Mosier Watershed Council; and

IT FURTHER APPEARING TO THE BOARD: That Jim Reed is willing  
and is qualified to be appointed to the Mosier Watershed Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED: That Jim Reed be  
and is hereby appointed to the Mosier Watershed Council for a term to expire  
on December 31, 2016.

DATED this 3rd day of September, 2014.

WASCO COUNTY BOARD  
OF COMMISSIONERS

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Scott C. Hege, Commission Chair

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Rod L. Runyon, County Commissioner

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Steven D. Kramer, County Commissioner

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Eric J. Nisley  
Wasco County District Attorney

IN THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE STATE OF OREGON  
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WASCO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPOINTMENT OF )  
PHILIP EVANS TO THE ) O R D E R  
MOSIER WATERSHED COUNCIL ) #14-076

NOW ON THIS DAY, the above-entitled matter having come on  
regularly for consideration, said day being one duly set in term for the  
transaction of public business and a majority of the Board of Commissioners  
being present; and

IT APPEARING TO THE BOARD: That the Wasco County Soil &  
Water Conservation District has requested that the Wasco County Board of  
Commissioners appoint individuals to the Mosier Watershed Council; and

IT FURTHER APPEARING TO THE BOARD: That Philip Evans is  
willing and is qualified to be appointed to the Mosier Watershed Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED: That Philip Evans  
be and is hereby appointed to the Mosier Watershed Council for a term to  
expire on December 31, 2015.

DATED this 3rd day of September, 2014.

WASCO COUNTY BOARD  
OF COMMISSIONERS

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Scott C. Hege, Commission Chair

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Rod L. Runyon, County Commissioner

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Steven D. Kramer, County Commissioner

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Eric J. Nisley  
Wasco County District Attorney

IN THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE STATE OF OREGON  
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WASCO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPOINTMENT OF )  
KAREN BAILEY TO THE ) O R D E R  
MOSIER WATERSHED COUNCIL ) #14-077

NOW ON THIS DAY, the above-entitled matter having come on  
regularly for consideration, said day being one duly set in term for the  
transaction of public business and a majority of the Board of Commissioners  
being present; and

IT APPEARING TO THE BOARD: That the Wasco County Soil &  
Water Conservation District has requested that the Wasco County Board of  
Commissioners appoint individuals to the Mosier Watershed Council; and

IT FURTHER APPEARING TO THE BOARD: That Karen Bailey is  
willing and is qualified to be appointed to the Mosier Watershed Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED: That Karen Bailey  
be and is hereby appointed to the Mosier Watershed Council for a term to  
expire on December 31, 2015.

DATED this 3rd day of September, 2014.

WASCO COUNTY BOARD  
OF COMMISSIONERS

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Scott C. Hege, Commission Chair

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Rod L. Runyon, County Commissioner

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Steven D. Kramer, County Commissioner

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Eric J. Nisley  
Wasco County District Attorney

IN THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE STATE OF OREGON  
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WASCO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPOINTMENT OF )  
MIKE IGO TO THE ) O R D E R  
MOSIER WATERSHED COUNCIL ) #14-078

NOW ON THIS DAY, the above-entitled matter having come on  
regularly for consideration, said day being one duly set in term for the  
transaction of public business and a majority of the Board of Commissioners  
being present; and

IT APPEARING TO THE BOARD: That the Wasco County Soil &  
Water Conservation District has requested that the Wasco County Board of  
Commissioners appoint individuals to the Mosier Watershed Council; and

IT FURTHER APPEARING TO THE BOARD: That Mike Igo is willing  
and is qualified to be appointed to the Mosier Watershed Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED: That Mike Igo be  
and is hereby appointed to the Mosier Watershed Council for a term to expire  
on December 31, 2015.

DATED this 3rd day of September, 2014.

WASCO COUNTY BOARD  
OF COMMISSIONERS

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Scott C. Hege, Commission Chair

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Rod L. Runyon, County Commissioner

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Steven D. Kramer, County Commissioner

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Eric J. Nisley  
Wasco County District Attorney

**Agenda Item**  
**Corporate Community Responsibility**

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  - [RETURN TO AGENDA](#)

**Agenda Item**  
**Road Management & Decommissioning Project**

- [Increment 3 Proposal](#)



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**Barlow & Hood River  
Ranger Districts**



# Increment 3

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## Proposed Action



for the greatest good

## Project Location

Increment 3 is located on the Barlow and Hood River Ranger Districts within the Mt. Hood National Forest. The project area is located in Wasco and Hood River Counties approximately 30 miles south of the town of Hood River and 30 miles southwest of the town of The Dalles. The Increment 3 project area encompasses approximately 157,960 acres of NFS land and over 600 miles of NFS system roads. The main road access to the project area is via State Highway 35 from the North, State Highway 26 from the south and State Highway 216 from the east of the project area.

The legal description for the project area is:

- Township 2 South, Range 9 East, sec. 29, PB49-50;
- T. 2 S., R. 10 E., sec. 34
- T. 2 S., R. 11 E., sec. 25-28 and 30-36
- T. 3 S., R. 9 E., sec. 4-5, 8-10, 13-17 and 20-36
- T. 3 S., R. 10 E., sec. 1-4, 8-17 and 19-36
- T. 3 S., R. 11 E., sec. 1-36
- T. 3 S., R. 12 E., sec. 5-9, 16-21 and 28-33
- T. 4 S., R. 8.5 E., sec. 23-26 and 35-36
- T. 4 S., R. 9 E., sec. 1-36
- T. 4 S., R. 10 E., sec. 1-36
- T. 4 S., R. 11 E., sec. 1-36
- T. 5 S., R. 8.5 E., sec. 1
- T. 5 S., R. 9 E., sec. 1-15
- T. 5 S., R. 10 E., sec. 1-26
- T. 5 S., R. 11 E., sec. 5-9, 17-20, 30 and 32-34, Willamette Meridian

The Increment 3 project area includes several management allocations (MAs), which are described in detail in the Mt. Hood National Forest Land and Resource Management Plan as amended.

**Table 1. Increment 3 Land Management Allocations**

Management Area	Acres	Percentage of Project Area
Winter Recreation Area (A11)	1,164	0.7%
Bald Eagle Habitat Area (A13)	129	0.1%
Wilderness Area (A2)	22,332	14.1%
Special Interest Area (A4)	4,287	2.7%
Unroaded Area (A5)	8,038	5.1%
Roaded Recreation (A6)	531	0.3%
Special Old Growth (A7)	111	0.1%
Key Site Riparian Area (A9)	5,496	3.5%
Wild & Scenic River Corridor (B1)	4,924	3.1%
Deer Winter Range (B10)	7,122	4.5%
Scenic Viewshed (B2)	32,480	20.6%
Pine/Oak (Wildlife Emphasis) (B4)	21,320	13.5%
Special Emphasis Watershed (B6)	15	0.0%
Wildlife/Visuals Emphasis (B9)	287	0.2%

Management Area	Acres	Percentage of Project Area
Wood Product Emphasis (C1)	49,663	31.5%

## Project Background

Increment 3 was originally scoped in 2010 with letters sent to approximately 160 individuals and groups. Comments were received from 62 individuals and groups and their comments were considered in the development of Increment 3. Changes in forest staff and shifting priorities caused the 2010 effort be put on hold and the project was reinitiated in 2014 in the current form, focusing on roads with the highest aquatic risk.

In an effort to aid the recovery of fish habitat, riparian habitat and water quality, the Mt. Hood National Forest has accomplished numerous restoration projects over the past decade. As recognized by the Northwest Forest Plan, “the most important components of a watershed restoration program are control and prevention of road-related runoff and sediment production” (NWFP p. B-31). In 2003, the Mt. Hood National Forest Roads Analysis was completed to manage the Forest transportation system to provide user safety, convenience, and efficiency of operations in an environmentally responsible manner and to achieve road related ecosystem restoration with the limits of current or likely funding levels.

In order to better manage the Forest’s transportation system, the Forest has embarked on several planning processes that address travel and access management. This project – aimed specifically at managing roads posing an aquatic risk is just one of these planning efforts. This project is part of a larger aquatic restoration planning process. To date, the Forest has completed two road decommissioning projects in the highest risk areas.

Within the 2003 Mt. Hood National Forest Roads Analysis, road uses were identified, as well as the composite risk of roads to aquatics. Each road was rated using analysis methodology that reviewed:

- Proximity to stream
- Fish passage
- Landslide hazard
- Surface erosion hazard
- Hydrologic hazard
- Stream crossing risk
- Stream crossing density
- Water uses

Each aquatic risk factor was weighted based on the estimated relative importance of a particular risk factor. From this analysis, a composite rating was assigned to each road segment. Risk ratings were then summarized into categories from Very Low, Low, Moderate, High, to Very High (2003 Roads Analysis).

This analysis was initiated to review the roads that were identified as having High to Very High composite aquatic risk and low access needs. Therefore, in order to continue the Forest’s long-standing efforts to improve watershed health, this Environmental Assessment (EA) focuses on the hydrologic stabilization of low priority roads to reduce aquatic risk.

## Road Maintenance Level Descriptions

The following information has been issued by line officers at the Forest Service headquarters office in Washington, DC.

## **Maintenance Level 1**

These are roads that have been placed in storage between intermittent uses. The period of storage must exceed 1 year. Basic custodial maintenance is performed to prevent damage to adjacent resources and to perpetuate the road for future resource management needs. Emphasis is normally given to maintaining drainage facilities and runoff patterns. Planned road deterioration may occur at this level. Appropriate traffic management strategies are "prohibit" and "eliminate" all traffic. These roads are not shown on motor vehicle use maps.

Roads receiving level 1 maintenance may be of any type, class, or construction standard, and may be managed at any other maintenance level during the time they are open for traffic. However, while being maintained at level 1, they are closed to vehicular traffic but may be available and suitable for nonmotorized uses.

## **Maintenance Level 2**

Assigned to roads open for use by high clearance vehicles. Passenger car traffic, user comfort, and user convenience are not considerations. Warning signs and traffic control devices are not provided with the exception that some signing, such as W-18-1 "No Traffic Signs," may be posted at intersections. Motorists should have no expectations of being alerted to potential hazards while driving these roads. Traffic is normally minor, usually consisting of one or a combination of administrative, permitted, dispersed recreation, or other specialized uses. Log haul may occur at this level. Appropriate traffic management strategies are either to:

- Discourage or prohibit passenger cars, or
- Accept or discourage high clearance vehicles

## **Maintenance Level 3**

Assigned to roads open and maintained for travel by a prudent driver in a standard passenger car. User comfort and convenience are not considered priorities. The Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) is applicable. Warning signs and traffic control devices are provided to alert motorists of situations that may violate expectations.

Roads in this maintenance level are typically low speed with single lanes and turnouts. Appropriate traffic management strategies are either "encourage" or "accept." "Discourage" or "prohibit" strategies may be employed for certain classes of vehicles or users.

## **Maintenance Level 4**

Assigned to roads that provide a moderate degree of user comfort and convenience at moderate travel speeds. Most roads are double lane and aggregate surfaced. However, some roads may be single lane. Some roads may be paved and/or dust abated. Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices is applicable. The most appropriate traffic management strategy is "encourage." However, the "prohibit" strategy may apply to specific classes of vehicles or users at certain times.

## **Maintenance Level 5**

Assigned to roads that provide a high degree of user comfort and convenience. These roads are normally double lane, paved facilities. Some may be aggregate surfaced and dust abated. Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices is applicable. The appropriate traffic management strategy is "encourage."

## Purpose and Need for Action

Increment 3 was developed by responding to the need for action by comparing the existing conditions in the project area related to aquatic risk and access requirements to the management objectives and desired conditions in the Forest Plan and Roads Analysis. Where plan information was not explicit, best available science and local research were utilized in an interdisciplinary environment with resource staff. The purpose of Increment 3 is to reduce impacts to water quality and aquatic habitats associated with the highest risk, lowest priority roads.

If identified roads are not properly maintained in the near future, there would continue to be high aquatic risk. Such potential risks may result in increased sediment delivery to streams and reservoirs. Increased sedimentation can degrade water quality, aquatic habitats, and threatened, endangered, and sensitive aquatic species.

## Proposed Action – Alternative 2

The Forest Service is proposing a suite of activities to retain access for the needs by Forest Service and partners while reducing the impacts to aquatic habitat from the highest risk roads, thereby improving the overall conditions of the watershed. The Forest Service suite of activities includes decommissioning 9.9 miles of road, closing and hydrologically stabilizing 16.7 miles of road, and closing with a gate 2.9 miles of road. Additionally, 5.7 miles of road with high aquatic risk would have maintenance and associated actions taken to reduce aquatic risk while retaining needed access.

These activities would occur as funding becomes available. A brief description of these activities follows; more detailed information is available upon request. The Increment 3 project would include a variety of design criteria that serve to mitigate impacts of activities to forest resources, including: wildlife, soils, watershed condition, aquatic species, Riparian Reserves, heritage resources, visuals, rangeland, botanical resources, and invasive plants.

## Road Activities

### Road Decommissioning (9.9 miles)

Several currently open or closed roads are proposed for decommissioning to reduce aquatic risk to streams from roads not needed for future management or access. Treatments include blocking motorized vehicles from entering the decommissioned road through the use of rocks, earth berms, large logs, etc. If hydrologic and ecological processes are adversely impacted by the road, then the decommissioned road would be hydrologically stabilized and restored to a more natural state utilizing a variety of treatments including ripping the road, removing drainage structures (culverts and bridges), and restoring the natural contour or partial contour of the slope. A decommissioned road is removed from the Forest's transportation system and no longer receives any maintenance. The following roads would be decommissioned: 2110012 (.29 miles), 2120321 (.19 miles), 2130011 (.22 miles), 2140221 (.34 miles), 2140222 (.18 miles), 2610025 (.26 miles), 2630015 (1.8 miles), 2630019 (2.3 miles), 2630220 (.51 miles), 2630230 (1.2 miles), 2630270 (1.2 miles), 4800540 (1.3 miles), 4300250 (.16 miles).

### Level 1 Road Closures (Restore Hydrologic Function) (16.7 miles)

Several currently open roads are proposed for closure and placement into long-term storage. Treatments would block motorized vehicles from entering the closed road the entire year through the use of rocks, earth berms, large logs etc. at the roads entrance or junction with another system road. If hydrologic and ecological processes are adversely impacted by the road, a closed road would also be hydrologically stabilized by pulling culverts and installing waterbars, but the roadway would not be ripped or

decompacted before it would be put into storage. A closed road remains on the Forest's transportation system and receives minimal maintenance as there is no public traffic allowed. These actions would reduce the aquatic impacts associated with the roads, while retaining the existing roadbed for future administrative use. Any future use of the roads would require analysis under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and an analysis of the impacts associated with the reopening of roads closed under Increment 3. Roads proposed for closure include: 2120014 (.24 miles), 2120015 (.3 miles), 2100016 (.3 miles), 2130220 (2.1 miles), 2130225 (.34 miles), 2130226 (.33 miles), 2130280 (1.7 miles), 2130281 (.23 miles), 2130282 (.43 miles), 2610025 (.44 miles), 2640240 (1.3 miles), 2651220 (1.5 miles), 4800261 (.24 miles), 4800262 (1.1 miles), 4800263 (1.4 miles), 4800265 (.43 miles), 4810140 (2.56 miles), 4810141 (1.1 miles).

### **Administrative Road Closures (Repaired but Closed by Gate) (2.9 miles)**

Several currently open roads are proposed for road closure to reduce sediment delivery to streams while retaining permitted access; these roads typically access critical areas of the forest for management, but have low interest from the public. Treatments would block vehicles from entering the closed road the entire year likely through the use of gates. A closed road remains on the Forest's transportation system and receives minimal maintenance as there is no public traffic allowed. Specifically, Forest Roads 2100220 (2.7 miles) and 2100221 (.14 miles) would be closed with a gate for administrative or permitted motorized use.

### **Road Repairs (5.7 miles)**

Several currently open roads were reviewed and a pressing need was identified to retain open access to the road for both short and long term needs. While these roads were identified as having a high aquatic risk, repair and maintenance activities were identified that would reduce the risk level. Roads identified as requiring maintenance for continued use include: 2120320 (2.25 miles), 4200011 (.68 miles), 4300017 (1.1 miles), 4800260 (1.4 miles), 4800264 (.28 miles). These treatments can include:

- Road maintenance to provide safe access and adequate drainage. The following work is classified as maintenance: blading and shaping the roadbed, reshaping drain dips or grade sags, reshaping waterbars/cross ditches, spot rocking in the roadbed, brushing and removing danger trees, removing snow, minor realigning of road junctions, cleaning culverts, seeding, removing excess material from the roadbed, placing fill material in ruts in the road, and installation of minor drainage features.
- Road and stream crossing improvements to address fish passage barriers, dissipate excess stream energy, and reduce aquatic risk. To accomplish these objectives, the following activities are proposed:
  - Replace fish barrier culverts on sites with Aquatic Organism Passage (AOP) structures.
  - Install floodplain relief culverts at fish passage barrier sites, and create roughened channel using native materials below culverts other barrier sites
  - Create roughened channel using native materials below barrier culverts
  - Utilize coarse debris below culverts to address excessive stream energies

## **Alternative 3**

A key issue that was identified during scoping included recreation access at Clear Lake. These roads provide some of the only lakeside dispersed recreational opportunities on the Mt. Hood National Forest. Responding to the issue, the Forest Service is proposing conducting repair and maintenance activities along the 5.2 miles of the three roads adjacent to clear lake (2630015, 2630019, 2630270). These three roads would have repair activities to reduce aquatic risk and retain access for lakeside dispersed camping. All other activities would remain the same as the proposed action.

The suite of activities includes decommissioning 4.7 miles of road, closing and hydrologically stabilizing 16.7 miles of road, and closing with a gate 2.9 miles of road. Additionally, 11 miles of road with very high and high aquatic risk would have maintenance and associated actions taken to reduce aquatic risk while retaining needed access.

These activities would occur as funding becomes available. The Increment 3 project would include a variety of design criteria that serve to mitigate impacts of activities to forest resources, including: wildlife, soils, watershed condition, aquatic species, Riparian Reserves, heritage resources, visuals, rangeland, botanical resources, and invasive plants.

## Roads by County

The Increment 3 project area includes over 600 miles of roads on NFS lands. Of these roads, approximately 60 miles are within the border of Hood River County and 550 miles within Wasco County. The majority of these roads are Maintenance Level 2 roads, which are assigned to roads for use by high-clearance vehicles. The table below outlines the miles of road in the Project Area by maintenance level.

**Table 2: Road miles within Hood River and Wasco Counties by Maintenance Level within the Increment 3 project area**

Current Project Area Maintenance Level	Hood River County	Wasco County	Total
Maintenance Level 1	2.2	55	57.2
Maintenance Level 2	49.7	446.3	496
Maintenance Level 3	0	4.5	4.5
Maintenance Level 4	0	15.5	15.5
Maintenance Level 5	8.9	24.9	33.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>60.8</b>	<b>546.2</b>	<b>607</b>

Within Hood River County, approximately 1.4 miles of road are proposed to be decommissioned within both Alternative 2 (the Proposed Action) and Alternative 3. This road, the 4800540 currently enters into a portion of the Badger Creek Wilderness that was added in the Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009. One of the criteria for wilderness is that the area be roadless. Therefore, decommissioning this road will help the Badger Creek Wilderness area more fully comply with the intent of the Wilderness Act.

**Table 3: Roads proposed for action within Hood River County**

Hood River County	Alternative 2	Alternative 3
Decommission	1.4	1.4
Road Closure (ML1)	0.0	0.0
Administrative Closure (ML2)	0.0	0.0
Road Repair (ML2)	0.0	0.0

While Hood River County incorporates a large portion of the Mt. Hood National Forest and the Hood River Ranger District, the majority of the Increment 3 project is within Wasco County as represented by the 550 miles of road within the project area. Within Wasco County the Forest Service is proposing to close 16.7 miles of road and close with a gate 2.9 miles of road with both Alternative 2 and 3. Road decommissioning in Alternative 2 would be conducted on 8.5 miles and in Alternative 3 would be

conducted on 3.3 miles. Road repairs in Alternative 2 would occur on 5.7 miles in Alternative 2 and 11 miles in Alternative 3. The change in road miles is from the development of Alternative 3 to address the key issue of dispersed camping around Clear Lake.

**Table 4: Roads proposed for action within Wasco County**

<b>Wasco County</b>	<b>Alternative 2</b>	<b>Alternative 3</b>
Decommission	8.5	3.3
Road Closure (ML1)	16.7	16.7
Administrative Closure (ML2)	2.9	2.9
Road Repair (ML2)	5.7	11.0

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# Employer-Provided Health Insurance Offer and Coverage

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## Part I Employee

## Applicable Large Employer Member (Employer)

1 Name of employee		2 Social security number (SSN)		7 Name of employer		8 Employer identification number (EIN)	
3 Street address (including apartment no.)				9 Street address (including room or suite no.)		10 Contact telephone number	
4 City or town	5 State or province	6 Country and ZIP or foreign postal code		11 City or town	12 State or province	13 Country and ZIP or foreign postal code	

## Part II Employee Offer and Coverage

	All 12 Months	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
14 Offer of Coverage (enter required code)													
15 Employee Share of Lowest Cost Monthly Premium, for Self-Only Minimum Value Coverage	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
16 Applicable Section 4980H Safe Harbor (enter code, if applicable)													

## Part III Covered Individuals

If Employer provided self-insured coverage, check the box and enter the information for each covered individual. ☐

(a) Name of covered individual(s)	(b) SSN	(c) DOB (If SSN is not available)	(d) Covered all 12 months	(e) Months of Coverage											
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Indicator Codes for Employee Offer and Coverage – Form 1095-C Part II, Line 14  
Code Series #1, Offer of Coverage

1A. Qualified Offer: Minimum Essential Coverage providing Minimum Value offered to full-time employee with employee contribution for self-only coverage equal to or less than 9.5% mainland single federal poverty line and Minimum Essential Coverage offered to spouse and dependent(s).

1B. Minimum Essential Coverage providing Minimum Value offered to employee only.

1C. Minimum Essential Coverage providing Minimum Value offered to employee and at least Minimum Essential Coverage offered to dependent(s) (not spouse).

1D. Minimum Essential Coverage providing Minimum Value offered to employee and at least Minimum Essential Coverage offered to spouse (not dependent(s)).

1E. Minimum Essential Coverage providing Minimum Value offered to employee and at least Minimum Essential Coverage offered to dependent(s) and spouse.

1F. Minimum Essential Coverage not providing Minimum Value offered to employee, or employee and spouse or dependent(s), or employee, spouse and dependents.

1G. Offer of coverage to employee who was not a full-time employee for any month of the calendar year and who enrolled in self-insured coverage for one or more months of the calendar year.

1H. No offer of coverage (employee not offered any health coverage or employee offered coverage not providing Minimum Essential Coverage).

1I. Qualified Offer Transition Relief 2015: Employee (and spouse or dependents) received no offer of coverage, or received an offer of coverage that is not a Qualified Offer, or received a Qualified Offer for less than all 12 Months.

Code Series 2 Section 4980H Safe Harbor Codes and Other Relief for Employers - Form 1095-C Part II, Line 16

2A. Employee not employed during the month.

2B. Employee not a full-time employee.

2C. Employee enrolled in coverage offered.

2D. Employee in a section 4980H(b) limited non assessment period.

2E. Multiemployer interim rule relief.

2F. Section 4980H affordability Form W-2 safe harbor.

2G. Section 4980H affordability federal poverty line safe harbor.

2H. Section 4980H affordability rate of pay safe harbor.

2I. Non-calendar year transition relief applies to this employee.

DRAFT AS OF  
July 24, 2014  
DO NOT FILE

Dr. David Wehrly  
Dufur Valley Rd. Dufur, OR

September 3, 2014

Just over two months ago, at the June 25th Board of County Commissioners meeting, I requested a status report on the proposed noise ordinance that I had submitted three months prior, in April.

I was told at that time that my proposal, and others that had been submitted, had been referred to the County Sheriff's office for review because of their resulting responsibility for enforcement of any such an ordinance.

I have been informed by Chief Deputy Magill, that his office has not yet completed the review of the proposals, but expect to do so by October 15th at the latest.

Several Oregon Counties have passed ordinances that supersede or append the Oregon State Mass Gathering law. In 2006, Marion County took such action as an 'Emergency Ordinance' to preempt what we have experienced for the past two years with the 'What-The-Festival'.

So I am here, once again, to reiterate, as a March 25th 2014 editorial in *The Dalles Chronicle* said, that the "***commissioners should act rapidly to pass a county noise ordinance to assure that if neighbors aren't protected in 2014***" [which we were not], "***they will be in 2015***" and beyond.

Thank you.

**THINK ABOUT IT!**

FROM THE BEGINNING THERE ARE THOSE WHO  
BELIEVED THAT GOOGLE WOULD LEAVE THE DALLES  
IF THEY DIDN'T GET THE BEST DEAL POSSIBLE.

**IT WAS A GOOGLE THREAT!**

**NO DOUBT GOOGLE HAD THE MONEY  
TO CARRY OUT THE THREAT.**

IT WAS A SPECIOUS ARGUMENT BECAUSE IT WAS  
NEVER ABOUT THE “MONEY”

**IT IS ABOUT “TIME”**

TIME TO FIND NEW PROPERTY, RELOCATE & BUILD

TIME TO FALL BEHIND THE TECHNOLOGICAL CURVE

TIME TO STAY AHEAD OF THE COMPETITION

**THE COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE NEVER SLOWS DOWN**

Hand Delivered

June 24, 2014

From: Michael Bertrand  
P.O. Box 370  
The Dalles, Oregon, 97058

To: Rod Runyon  
The Wasco County Court  
511 Washington St.  
The Dalles OR 97058

To: Scott Hege  
The Wasco County Court  
511 Washington St  
The Dalles OR 97058

To: Steve Kramer  
The Wasco County Court  
511 Washington St.  
The Dalles OR 97058

Subjects: The New Swimming Pool in The Dalles and The Dalles Senior Center Elevator

Dear Commissioners of the Wasco County Court:

Since the bond issue election passed regarding the new swimming pool in The Dalles, it is clear that the community wants and frankly needs a new recreational pool. Estimates, as I understand it, are that it will cost taxpayers in the vicinity \$4.0 million for the pool and associated offices for the Recreation Department. Thus far, the County's relationship with Google appears to be at arms length and little interface except during Enterprise Zone negotiations where they offer some jobs. It is rather obvious that Google has saved multiple millions of dollars in taxes and fees from Oregon's Enterprise Zone laws and regulations.

The Dalles Senior Center is also searching for funds for a new elevator for their facility. This is another project that needs funding attention. Estimates range from \$150,000 to \$250,000.

Request: The Wasco County Court needs to be pro active and invite Google to be a real on-sight partner in the community and approach them with the idea of funding the cost of a new pool and elevator for the Senior Center. It might be desirable that the City of The Dalles, Service Clubs, The Chamber of Commerce and others be invited to participate in the process. For the city and county's part, offer to display and name the pool, "The Google Recreational Aquatic Center" or any such name that Google desires and in which fashion they want it displayed on the facility. I would like to see a "motion" from the Commission to proceed.

Respectfully,

MICHAEL BERTRAND

Michael Bertrand  
P.O. Box 370  
The Dalles, OR 97058

cc: Governor John Kitzhaber, 900 Court Street, Salem, OR 97301  
cc: Senator Ron Wyden, 911 NE 11<sup>th</sup> Ave. Portland OR 97232  
cc: Senator Jeff Merkley, 121 SW Salmon St, Ste. 1400, Portland OR 97204  
cc: U. S. Congressman Greg Walden, 1051 NW Bond St. Bend OR 97701  
cc: Oregon State Senator Ted Ferrioli, 900 Court St. S-23, Salem OR 97301  
cc: Oregon State Representative John Huffman, 900 Court St. H-466, Salem, OR 97301

Sept 2, 2014

From: Mike Bertrand  
To: Commissioners of the Wasco County Court

Subj. The Wasco County Courts letter to Google regarding Mike Bertrand's hand delivered letter of Jun 24, 2014. And Googles response to the Wasco County Court e-mail referencing Bertrand's letter.

This is a general response to trail of e-mails from the Court and Googles reply/Information. Comments are in **Ariel Narrow Bold**.

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Mike Bertrand's Letter Letter of Jun 24 to the Wasco County Court (Addendum 1)

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On Mon. Jul21, 2014 at 2:35 PM Scott Hege [Scotth@co.wasco.or.us](mailto:Scotth@co.wasco.or.us) wrote:  
Dave and Marcy:

Please find attached a letter from one of the County resident to the County Commission regarding an idea he is trying to move forward. What are your thoughts on this idea and how might this get reviewed and moved forward for consideration?

We appreciate your partnership with the County and the many entities and organizations within our jurisdiction and look forward to Continuing this for many years to come. The new building looks to be coming along nicely. We look forward to the opening of that Facility and the new employment opportunities that will come with it.

Take care,

Wasco County Commission

----- Begin forwarded message -----

Subj: Fwd. Constituent Letter ...  
Date: 7/30/14 1:50:08 PM  
From: "Scott Hege"  
To: "Mike Bertrand"

Mike:

Below is the response that we received from Google to your suggestions and ideas regarding community funding. you'll see that they also attached a document that further addresses some of the resources they have invested in the community.

Take care,

Scott

**RESPONSE:** Thank you for the e-mail regarding the letter I delivered to the County Court regarding a coordinated funding proposal to Google. I take it that you unequivocally and without question believe Google's figures and declarations.

Did you (County Commissioners) actually read my signed letter of June 24, 2014? I think not! In part it read...."it might be desirable that the City of The Dalles, Service Clubs, The Chamber of Commerce and others be invited to participate in the process." It was an outline of how to coordinate with others in the community and approach Google. Instead, you took the pathetic low road and forwarded my letter instead of showing some initiative and leadership resourcefulness by interfacing with the community leadership and making a coordinated community and Wasco County effort. Apparently, you do not know how to create and organized planning effort. Sad.... very sad.

Who gave you (the County Commissioners) permission or a approval to use my letter to send to Google? That letter was addressed to the three current commissioners by name and no one else. If I wanted the letter to be sent to Google, I would have sent it myself. Correspondence to Google should have been generated by the County Commissioners and other community leadership. The feeble pathetic concessionary tone of your e-mail makes any reasonable person wonder who you are representing .... the County or Google. I have never seen such groveling. Your e-mail to Google was at its very best was an embarrassment to the County.

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **Darcy Nothnagle** [dnothnagle@google.com](mailto:dnothnagle@google.com)

Date: Thu, Jul 24, 2014 at 11:41 AM

Subject: Re: Constituent Letter ...

To: Scott Hege [Scotth@co.wasco.or.us](mailto:Scotth@co.wasco.or.us)

Cc: Dave Karlson [Karlson@google.com](mailto:Karlson@google.com)

Dear Commissioner Hege,

Thank you for forwarding the letter about the swimming pool.

We take our role in the community very seriously, and since 2008, we have donated more than \$8.6 M to Oregon nonprofits and schools. Additionally, Google has invested more than \$266,000 to date in in public wifi for The Dalles, and through our work with small businesses, website publishers and nonprofits, Googles economic impact on the State of Oregon in 2013 was \$780M (that number does not include the economic impact of our employees). I have attached an information sheet on our activities in The Dalles for your reference.

**RESPONSE:** Which small businesses, website publishers and nonprofits are located in Wasco County and how much money was donated or invested in each entity?

Of course, as a result of an agreement made with the City and the County, Google made a \$1.2M payment to The Dalles and Wasco County this year, and will subsequently be making \$800,000 annual payments to these entities. As you know, Google does not direct the usage of those funds, although they are invested back into the community.

**RESPONSE:** The \$800,000 annual payment will only begin once the new plant is operation, now scheduled for 2016.

Our Community grant program continues to fund projects in The Dalles and Wasco County. As you can imagine, we have national parameters for philanthropic giving. We fund grant proposals in the following areas: STEM education, carbon reduction efforts, work to bridge the digital divide, and projects to increase tech capacity for nonprofits.

**RESPONSE:** Name the funded projects in The Dalles and Wasco County and how much. Please let us know what those "national parameters" are so we can take advantage of these philanthropic grants. Most people in Wasco County do not know what STEM education, carbon reduction efforts, or the digital divide or increasing tech capacity for nonprofits are all about. Please let Wasco County and The City of The Dalles know how much actual financial help (grants) is given by Google these organization or entities located in Wasco County.

While this particular project does not fall into our funding criteria, we hope that through our other investments we have demonstrated Googles commitment to being a good community partner. We are very pleased to be located in The Dalles (and I Wasco County) and very much appreciate the relationships we have built across the community.

**RESPONSE:** A short amount of boiler plate goes a very short way.

Best,

Darcy Nothnagle

Darcy Nothnagle | Public Affairs and Government Relations Manager, Western Region,  
Google | [dnothnagle@google.com](mailto:dnothnagle@google.com) | 206-486-4311

**Commissioners:** As you can tell I do not think much of your minimum non effort in this matter. You will no doubt again call for tax increases from the citizenry whenever you have a need for money. Again, the individual taxpayers lost due to your lamentable ineptitude.

Next, I will address Googles "Attached Information Sheet." I have reproduced the .pdf file that Google sent to you so that it can be commented on it as in the original format.



Kathy White <kathyw@co.wasco.or.us>

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## Google

2 messages

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**Nolan Young** <nyoung@ci.the-dalles.or.us>

Wed, Sep 3, 2014 at 12:46 PM

To: Tyler Stone <tylers@co.wasco.or.us>, "Kathy White (kathyw@co.wasco.or.us)" <kathyw@co.wasco.or.us>, "rodr@co.wasco.or.us" <rodr@co.wasco.or.us>, Steve Kramer <stevek@co.wasco.or.us>, Scott Hege <scotth@co.wasco.or.us>

When the City and County negotiated the first Google enterprise Zone Agreement in 2005-06 our goal was to have a fee that equaled the average per acre property taxes paid per acre by existing businesses in the Port Industrial Park. The \$800,000 annual fee that Google will be paying for the 2<sup>nd</sup> agreement along with the \$250,000 annual Fee from the first agreement and the \$59,000 + they are paying in property tax for their 70.54 acre site and non except buildings, results in an annual per acre payment to Local Governments that:

- Exceeds by over \$24,000 per acre the average per acre property tax payment by other businesses in the industrial park;
- Exceeds by over \$13,000 the per acre cost of the top five, and
- Exceed by \$3,000 the most per acre that any business in the Port industrial park is paying in property tax.

This does not include the Grants and other ways Google gives back to the community (see attached 2013 sheet) In fact I just learned a month ago they are giving another \$75,000 to enhance the Public Wi Fi and just learned today they are providing 30 new computers to the Library.

In addition all of the Non-Education taxing districts in The Dalles, under ORS. 317.131, have received over the last four years a total of \$179,200 in payments associate with Google tax payments and credits with the State. The City alone received \$47,110.

I have also attached the originals you kindly provided me today.

*Nolan Young*

City Manager

City of The Dalles

313 Court St

The Dalles, OR 97058

(541) 296-5481 ext. 1118

[nyoung@ci.the-dalles.or.us](mailto:nyoung@ci.the-dalles.or.us)

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**2 attachments**



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**201409031153.pdf**

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**Kathy White** <kathyw@co.wasco.or.us>  
To: Nolan Young <nyoung@ci.the-dalles.or.us>

Wed, Sep 3, 2014 at 12:56 PM

Thank you, Nolan - you saved me a bit of time!

Thank you,

Kathy White  
Executive Assistant  
Wasco County  
Board of County Commissioners  
511 Washington Street, Suite 302  
The Dalles, OR 97058  
work 541.506.2520  
fax 541.506.2551

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# GOOGLE THE DALLES

In 2006, Google opened a data center complex in The Dalles, Oregon, investing \$600M over time in the facility and establishing a long-term commitment to corporate citizenship in the region and state. As Google continues to grow in Oregon, we've engaged in strengthening the culture of innovation, empowering local small businesses through online tools and supporting technology education in The Dalles community.

**\$748M**

Amount of economic activity generated for Oregon businesses, website publishers and nonprofits. (2012)

**40,000**

Total number of Oregon businesses and nonprofits using AdWords and AdSense. (2012)

**\$600M**

Investment in The Dalles since the data center was built in 2007.

**\$8.6M**

Total charitable giving dollars donated to nonprofits and schools in Oregon since 2008. (2012)

**\$1.5M+**

Total funding through faculty awards and research grants to Oregon universities. (2012)

**50%**

Less energy that Google facilities consume compared to the typical data center.

**80+**

Google employees based at The Dalles data center.

**16,000**

Square foot Learning Garden called The Dalles Imagination Learning Garden that has resulted from a partnership between Google and The Dalles. The garden is intended to promote sustainable gardening to help develop healthy life habits.

[www.google.com](http://www.google.com)

## WHAT IS A DATA CENTER?

Data centers are an integral part of Google's success as one of the world's leading information providers. Representing an investment of more than \$600M in the community, the data center in The Dalles plays an important role for our company, housing computers that store and serve critical amounts of data.

Google employees at The Dalles data center work to keep Google Search, Gmail, YouTube and many other Google applications operational, enabling Google to provide fast and reliable services around-the-clock to millions of users. As of 2012, Google has worked with 40,000 Oregon businesses and nonprofits. Additionally, we generated \$748M of economic activity for Oregon businesses, website publishers and nonprofits. Through our Google Grants program, 86 Oregon nonprofits received more than \$2.2M in free advertising.

## GOOGLE IN THE COMMUNITY

Employees at Google are committed to supporting Oregon's communities. In total, since 2008, Google has awarded \$8.6M to Oregon nonprofits and schools in areas where we are passionate, including science and technology education, carbon reduction and access to the Internet. Of that amount, Google has awarded more than \$777K in grants and donated hardware to local nonprofits and schools through Google's The Dalles Data Center Community Grants Program.

### GRANT RECIPIENTS INCLUDE:

- Columbia River Fire & Rescue Volunteer Association
- North Wasco County School District 21
- Mid-Columbia Health Foundation
- Oregon 4-H Foundation
- Wonder Works Children's Museum of the Columbia Gorge
- HAVEN (Help Against Violent Encounters Now!)
- Columbia River Gorge Technology Alliance

In addition to in-kind giving, local sponsorships and community grants, Google employees are active volunteers in the community. For the past five years, employees have participated in GoogleServe, a week of service projects that benefit the community.



In 2012, partner organizations included Home at Last Humane Society, The Dalles Dam Visitor Center, North Wasco County School District 21 Education Foundation, Wasco County Master Gardener Association, Oregon Students Recycling Used Technology (StRUT), Celilo Cancer Center, and St. Mary's Academy.

### **GOOGLE AND THE CITY OF THE DALLES WIFI NETWORK**

In partnership with the City of The Dalles, Google funded the infrastructure for a free WiFi network for The Dalles. Since 2011, Google has provided \$180K for the WiFi network.

### **GREEN INITIATIVES AND OPERATIONS**

Google operates some of the world's most efficient data centers – our facilities consume 50% less energy than the typical data center. In 2007, Google made a voluntary commitment to become carbon neutral. To assist in meeting our goal, we have made a \$100M investment in the Shepherds Flat Wind Farm in Oregon.

To promote sustainability, Google has loaned out a portion of its land to the Wasco County Master Gardener Association as part of The Dalles Imagination Garden (DIG) project and partnership. The DIG provides a space for local students to learn “hands-on” about gardening, composting and environmental best practices. In addition to providing the land and related irrigation for the garden, Google employees volunteer with weeding, raking and mulching at the site.

Google is the first major internet services company to gain external certification of our high environmental and workplace safety standards throughout our US and European data centers. More specifically, all of our US and European data centers – including our The Dalles facility – have received voluntary ISO 14001 and OHSAS 18001 certifications. Additionally, we're the first company in North America to obtain multi-site ISO 50001 Energy Management System certification for our US data centers, demonstrating our effort to use energy more efficiently.

### **GOOGLE EDU**

Google is committed to building interest in STEM (Science Technology Engineering and Math) education, engaging with local students and alumni, and partnering with faculty to build strong relationships with the academic community.

In Wasco County, we've assisted District 21 with more than \$249K in grants to support STEM programs for students.

In addition, we've supported robotics programs within the Columbia Gorge. We have partnered with the Gorge Technology Alliance (GTA) and the Oregon Robotics Tournament and Outreach Program (ORTOP) to offer robotics programs for every public school in the five Gorge counties. Since 2009, Google has invested over \$210K to grow and support the robotics classes in the region's public schools.