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Memorandum Date: September 18, 2007
Order Date: October 17, 2007

TO: Board of County Commissioners

DEPARTMENT: Public Works

PRESENTED BY: Ollie Snowden

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: ORDER/IN THE MATTER OF AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT WITH BLM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$209,300 TO PROVIDE PUBLIC WORKS WITH TITLE II FUNDING FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF AN EXISTING CULVERT WITH A FISH CULVERT AT HOLLAND CREEK ON SIUSLAW RIVER ROAD

I. MOTION

Authorize the County Administrator to sign an agreement with BLM in the amount of \$209,300 to provide Public Works with Title II funding for the replacement of an existing culvert with a fish culvert at Holland Creek on Siuslaw River Road at Mile Post 29.1.

II. AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

The Board is being asked to authority the County Administrator to sign an agreement with BLM for Title II funds in the amount of \$209,300.

III. BACKGROUND/IMPLICATIONS OF ACTION

A. Board Action and Other History

The Siuslaw Watershed Council has identified this culvert as very important for the restoration of fish habitat in the area. The project will result in enhanced fish passage and salmonid rearing opportunities along a reach of the upper Siuslaw River. It is expected 1.0 fish miles will be opened up following the installation of the fish friendly culvert at Holland Creek on Siuslaw River Road at Mile Post 29.1.

Public Works has successfully worked with BLM, US Forest Service, OWEB and local watershed councils to secure funding to assist in the replacement of existing culverts with fish friendly culverts. The Board has authorized the County Administrator to sign other such revenue agreements in the past.

B. Policy Issues

The Board has provided direction to County Departments to pursue additional sources of revenue with the adoption of the Strategic Plan.

C. Board Goals

Public Works supports Lane County's Strategic plan to seek revenue development including intergovernmental revenue.

D. Financial and/or Resource Considerations

The uncertainty of future federal funds being directed to Lane County Public Works has necessitated pursuing other available funding sources. BLM has approved Title II funds for the culvert replacement project at Holland Creek on Siuslaw River Road at Mile Post 29.1. The BLM Resources Advisory Committee approved the monies in July 2006. Revenue from Title II funds will assist Public Works in replacing existing road culverts with fish friendly culverts.

E. Analysis

Securing Title II funds will leverage current Public Works monies allowing additional maintenance needs to be addressed sooner rather than later or not at all.

F. Alternative Options

1. Authorize the County Administrator to sign the agreement with BLM for \$209,300 in Title II funds.
2. Not authorize the County Administrator to sign an agreement with BLM for \$209,300 in Title II funds.

V. TIMING/IMPLEMENTATION

Action today will allow the County Administrator to sign the agreement with BLM for Title II funds.

VI. RECOMMENDATION

Public Works recommends that the Board authorize the County Administrator to sign the agreement with BLM.

VII. FOLLOW-UP

Once BLM has provided Lane County with the agreement, it will be processed for the County Administrator's signature. It is expected construction will be scheduled during the summer of 2008.

VII. ATTACHMENTS – N/A

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WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has provided direction to County Departments to pursue additional sources of revenue with the adoption of the Strategic Plan; and

WHEREAS, Siuslaw Watershed Council has identified the culvert at Holland Creek as very important for the restoration of fish habitat in the area; and

WHEREAS, the BLM Resources Advisory Committee has reviewed and approved Title II funds in the amount of \$209,300 to Lane County Public Works to replace the existing culvert at Holland Creek on Siuslaw River Road with a fish friendly culvert; now therefore

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED the County Administrator be authorized to sign an agreement with BLM for Title II funds to replace the existing culvert at Holland Creek on Siuslaw River Road at Mile Post 29.1.

DATED this _____ day of October, 2007.

Chair, Lane County Board of Commissioners

APPROVED AS TO FORM

Date 10-3-07 lane county



OFFICE OF LEGAL COUNSEL