

AGENDA ITEM FOR ADMINISTRATIVE  
MEETING ( ) Discussion only  
( X ) Action

FROM (DEPT/ DIVISION): County Counsel

SUBJECT: McKay Creek Project Support

<p>Background:</p> <p>Previously the Board provided a letter of support for the first phase of the McKay Creek habitat restoration project. A letter of support for the Phase II of the project is before the Board for review and approval.</p>	<p>Requested Action:</p> <p>Approve and sign Letter of support for Phase II of the McKay Creek project</p>
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ATTACHMENTS: Proposed Letter

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Checkoffs:

- ( ) Dept. Head (copy)
- ( ) Human Resources (copy)
- ( X ) Legal (copy)
- ( ) (Other - List:)

To be notified of Meeting:

Needed at Meeting:

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Scheduled for meeting on: October 5, 2022

Action taken:

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Follow-up:

# Umatilla County Board of Commissioners

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October 5, 2022

Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board  
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OWEB Review Team and Staff,

Umatilla County Commissioners would like to express support of the McKay Creek Habitat Restoration Phase II project that was submitted for funding by the Umatilla County Soil and Water Conservation District. Due to the devastating floods we recently had in Umatilla County, the damage was very extreme. The damage was not only to personal property, but to the stream banks as well. This left the stream banks very unstable and will only create further damage and devastation in the upcoming years without some kind of intervention.

We hope to be able to restore and stabilize the banks as to mitigate this problem in the future. We will be applying for grants and permits to protect not only the homes along the creek banks, but also the habitation as well.

The County has been working in partnership with many entities, including the City of Pendleton. We will continue this partnership to ensure a successful outcome. The Board of Commissioners has made the restoration of McKay Creek a priority.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this project. Please feel free to reach out with any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

Umatilla County Board of Commissioners

John Shafer, Chair

Daniel N. Dorran, Vice-Chair

George Murdock, Commissioner

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