

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON**

In the Matter of Declaring the Intention to
Seek Reimbursement from Future
Financing by a Potential Broadband Utility

RESOLUTION NO. 47-2025

WHEREAS, to accelerate the deployment of high-speed broadband throughout the County, Columbia County is expending public moneys to explore the possible creation of a self-sustaining Broadband Utility; and

WHEREAS, in the event a Broadband Utility is created these costs incurred by the County should properly be the responsibility of that Broadband Utility; and

WHEREAS, in the event a Broadband Utility is created it would require bonding authority or some other form of financing to pay for the infrastructure required to serve the County.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that it is the intent of the Columbia County Board of Commissioners that in the event a broadband utility is created that, to the maximum extent permitted by law, any expenditures incurred by Columbia County to create that utility should be reimbursed to the Columbia County from any financing arranged by that broadband utility.

Dated this 16 day of July, 2025, at St. Helens, Oregon.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON**

By: 
Kellie Jo Smith, Chair

By: Not Present
Casey Garrett, Commissioner

Approved as to form

By: 
Office of County Counsel

By: 
Margaret Magruder, Commissioner