

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

In the Matter of the Formation of )  
a new Columbia Health District )  
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ORDER NO. 82-2004

WHEREAS, on April 14, 2004, the Board of County Commissioners adopted Resolution No. 23-2004 initiating the formation of a new Columbia Health District; and

WHEREAS, on June 9, 2004, the Board adopted Order No. 36-2004 approving the formation of a new health district; and

WHEREAS, on June 30, 2004, in accordance with the criteria prescribed by ORS 199.462, the Board adopted Order No. 43-2004, adopting findings and conclusions in support of the formation of a new health district; and

WHEREAS, on July 7, 2004, the Board adopted Order No. 55-2004, calling for an election on the question of formation of a new health district with a permanent rate limit of \$0.38 per \$1000 of assessed value; and

WHEREAS, on November 2, 2004, an election was held on the question of formation of a new health district with a permanent rate limit of \$0.38 per \$1000 of assessed value; with formation of the new health district contingent upon approval by the electors of a measure, also on the November 2, 2004, ballot, dissolving the existing Columbia Health District; and

WHEREAS, also on November 2, 2004, an election was held to select members of the new district board; and

WHEREAS, on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2004, the Columbia County Clerk prepared abstracts of the votes of the election and delivered it to the Board; and

WHEREAS, according to the abstract, 9,275 votes were cast in favor of formation of a new health district with a permanent rate limit of \$0.38 per \$1000 of assessed value, and 6,763 votes were cast against creation of a new health district with the permanent rate limit; and

WHEREAS, also according to the abstract, 10,087 votes were cast in favor of dissolution of the existing health district, and 5,503 votes were cast against dissolution of the existing health district; and

WHEREAS, also according to the abstract the following votes were cast in the election to select members of the new district board:

Position 1	Jay M. Tappan	10,754	Write-In	188;
Position 2	Paula Becks	9,991	Write-In	185;
Position 3	Gary H. Heide	10,214	Write-In	266;

Position 4	Karen L. Punch	10,009	Write-In	187;
Position 5	Laura Tomanka	10,144	Write-In	194; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to ORS 255.295(1), “[n]ot later than the 30<sup>th</sup> day after receiving the abstract the [Board] shall determine from it the result of the election”; and pursuant to ORS 255.295(2), the Board shall “notify the county clerk in writing of the result of the election”, and “the notification [from the Board] to the county clerk shall contain a statement indicating whether any candidate elected to district office is qualified to hold the office”; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to ORS 198.820(1), “if it is determined by the county board that the majority of the votes cast were in favor of formation of the district, the board shall enter an order establishing and forming the district”, and “the order shall be entered within 30 days after the date of the election”; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to ORS 198.775(2), “[i]f the proposed formation \* \* \* or dissolution is effected, the district shall be liable for the costs”;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED as follows:

1. The Board of County Commissioners for Columbia County, Oregon, determines that a majority of the votes cast at the November 2, 2004, election favored formation of the new health district and authorization of the special levy; and dissolution of the existing health district.
2. The name of the new District will be the “Columbia Health District.”
3. The purposes of the new District are as follows:
  - a. To construct and operate a new Critical Access Hospital.
  - b. To replace the existing health district which would dissolve upon formation of the new district.
  - c. To continue as the Public Health Authority of Columbia County.
4. The Principal Act of the District is ORS Chapter 440.
5. The boundaries of the District are as described in Exhibit “A”, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference.
6. The Board of County Commissioners for Columbia County, Oregon, hereby declares that the new Columbia Health District is formed and that the District has the authority to collect the sum of \$0.38 per \$1000 of assessed value by special levy against the taxable property within the district. From the date of this formation order, the District shall be considered established.
7. Within ten days after the date this order is executed, duplicate copies of this order shall be filed with the Department of Revenue, the Secretary of State, the Columbia County Clerk and the Columbia County Assessor.

8. Copies of this order shall also be mailed to the current Columbia Health District and to the new District.

9. The new District is directed to prepare and submit to the Oregon Department of Revenue, the Columbia County Assessor and County Counsel a precise legal description of the property annexed into the District which meets the requirements of ORS 308.225.

10. The Board also determines that the following persons were elected as members of the new district board:

Position 1 Jay M. Tappan;  
Position 2 Paula Becks;  
Position 3 Gary H. Heide;  
Position 4 Karen L. Punch; and  
Position 5 Laura Tomanka.

11. The records of the Columbia County Elections Office indicate that each of these persons meets the qualifications required by ORS 440.325.

12. The County Clerk is directed to issue certificates of election to the following persons:

Position 1 Jay M. Tappan;  
Position 2 Paula Becks;  
Position 3 Gary H. Heide;  
Position 4 Karen L. Punch; and  
Position 5 Laura Tomanka.

13. Pursuant to ORS 198.775(2), the current and new Districts shall be liable for the costs of the elections.

DATED this 24th day of November, 2004.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

By: 

Chair

By: 

Commissioner

By: 

Commissioner

Approved as to Form:

By:   
Office of County Counsel

## Exhibit A

### COLUMBIA HEALTH DISTRICT NEW BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Beginning at the Southeast border of Columbia County where it meets with the center line of the Multnomah Channel and proceeding in a Northerly direction along the center line of the Multnomah Channel approximately ten miles to a point on the Easterly extension of the South line of the H. M. Knighton D L C #39 in Section 3, T4N, R1W; thence Easterly, along said Easterly extension of the South line of the H. M. Knighton DLC #39, a distance of 0.25 miles more or less to a point on the State Boundary between Washington and Oregon in the "Oregon-Washington Compact" center of the Columbia River, said State Boundary also being the Easterly line of Columbia County; thence Northerly, following said State and County Boundary line a distance of 11.0 miles more or less, to the intersection of the East boundary of Columbia County to the North boundary line of Section 18 of T6N, R1W and then proceeding West along the North boundary of Section 18, T6N, R1W and along the North boundary lines of Sections 13 to 18 of T6N, R2W and Sections 13 to 16 of T6N, R3W and then proceeding South along the West boundary line of Sections 16, 21, 28, & 33 of T6N, R3W and continuing South along the West boundary lines of Sections 4, 9, 16, 21, 28, & 33 of T5N, R3W and continuing South along the West boundary lines of Sections 4, 9, 16, 21, 28, & 33 of T4N, R3W to the Columbia County line and then turning East along the south boundary line of Sections 33 & 34 of T4N, R3W and then proceeding South along the West boundary of Sections 2 & 11 of T3N, R3W, and then East along the South boundary of Sections 11 & 12, T3N, R3W and then South along the West boundary line of Section 18 of T3N, R2W, also along the Columbia County line with Washington County and then proceeding East along the Southern boundary lines of Sections 18, 17 & 16 of T3N, R2W and then proceeding South along the West boundary line of Section 22 of T3N, R2W and then proceeding East along the Southern boundary of Columbia County common to Multnomah County and along the Northern boundary lines of Sections 27, 26, & 25 of T3N, R2W and continuing East along Section 30 T3N, R1W to the center line of the Multnomah Channel also known as the beginning point.