

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

In the Matter of Reimbursing the Mist-Birkenfeld Rural Fire Protection District Pursuant to ORS 275.275(2) )  
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 ) **ORDER NO 31-2015**  
**[2015 Distribution — Mist Gas Field Revenues]** )

WHEREAS, on December 29, 1994, the Board of County Commissioners adopted Order No. 338-94 which, among other things, authorized the Mist-Birkenfeld Rural Fire Protection District (RFPD) to apply for reimbursement for a portion of their operational costs due to the impaction on the District by natural gas exploration, development, transportation and storage in the Mist gas fields; and

WHEREAS, this reimbursement is made to the RFPD under Order No. 338-94 out of the proceeds received from the Mist gas field and pursuant to ORS 275.275(2); and

WHEREAS, on May 21, 2015, the RFPD submitted a list of budgeted expenditures for the 2014-2015 fiscal year, along with the corresponding percentage which are a result of impaction in the amount of \$213,015 certified to be for the costs described above; and

WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed and approved these costs, and the Columbia County Treasurer has verified said costs; and

WHEREAS, the Request for Reimbursement and Certification, the Board's approval and the Treasurer's verification referred to above are attached hereto as Exhibits A, B and C, respectively, and are incorporated herein by this reference; and

WHEREAS, the amount of funds available for reimbursement for impaction at this time is \$33,983.64 and, by prior agreement, RFPD is entitled to sixty-six percent (66%) of those funds; and

WHEREAS, this matter is now before the Board of County Commissioners for approval of reimbursement in the amount of \$22,429.20, which is the allowable amount of reimbursement for the above-mentioned costs approved pursuant to Order No. 338-94 and Order No. 33-2015;

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NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the RFPD shall be reimbursed in the amount of \$22,429.20 as a portion of their operational costs due to impaction on the district by natural gas exploration, development, transportation and storage in the Mist gas fields, as described in the attached Exhibit A.

DATED this 17<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2015.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

By: 

Henry Heimuller, Chair

By: 

Anthony Hyde, Commissioner

By: 

Earl Fisher, Commissioner

Approved as to form

By: 

Office of County Counsel

MIST-BIRKENFELD RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT  
12525 Highway 202 Mist, OR 97016  
(503)755-2710 or (503)755-0510

**CERTIFICATE**

On behalf of the Mist-Birkenfeld Rural Fire Protection District, we certify that the following request represents accurately the costs incurred by this district in providing services deemed to reimbursable under ORS 275.275(2)(b):

Dated this 21<sup>st</sup> day of May, 2015.

Mist-Birkenfeld Rural  
Fire Protection District

By: William C. O'Farrell  
President

By: [Signature]  
Fire Chief

**REQUEST FOR REIMBURSEMENT  
FOR COSTS DUE TO IMPACTION**

Mist-Birkenfeld Rural Protection District requests reimbursement of \$213,015 for impaction costs as detailed below.

The following is a listing of budgeted expenditures for the 2014-2015 fiscal year and the corresponding percentage which is a result of 'IMPACTION':

2014-15 Budgeted Amounts:	Total:	30% (Impaction)
Personal services:	\$277,651	\$83,295
Material & Services:	\$155,050	\$46,515
Capital Outlay:	\$71,500	\$21,450
Contingencies:*	\$205,849	\$61,755
Totals:	\$710,050	\$213,015

Amount Requested: \$213,015

NOTE: Unappropriated funds are not included in the amounts listed above. Reserve funds are not included in the amounts listed above.

If total requests for reimbursement exceed the total amount available for disbursement from the "impaction fund", we request that the formula approved and applied in November of 1994 be used to determine the disbursement amounts. Enclosed is a cost of operation statement and a certification of cost signed by our Board President.

Sincerely,

Joe Kaczenski  
Fire Chief

Columbia County



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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Jennifer Cuellar, Treasurer

FROM: Board of County Commissioners

DATE: May 26, 2015

RE: Review and Determination Regarding Mist-Birkenfeld Rural Fire Protection District's May 21, 2015, Request for Reimbursement, Certificate and Cost Bill

The Board of County Commissioners has reviewed the May 21, 2015 request for reimbursement, certificate and cost bill submitted by the Mist-Birkenfeld Rural Fire Protection District for a portion of their operational costs incurred due to the impaction on the District of natural gas exploration, development, transportation and storage in the Mist gas field. The Board has determined that the documentation is adequate and that the operational costs incurred meet the requirements for which the Board originally approved reimbursement under ORS 275.275(2) in Order No. 338-94.

The Board hereby requests that you verify the cost bill sought for reimbursement, as required by ORS 275.275(5), and sign and return the attached verification document to the Office of County Counsel.

Thank you,

Received By  
Columbia County  
Board of Commissioners

Chairman \_\_\_\_\_  
Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_  
Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_



# COLUMBIA COUNTY

Jennifer Cuellar-Smith, Director

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### CERTIFICATE

Pursuant to ORS 275.275(2)(b), I have reviewed the May 21, 2015, request for reimbursement, certificate and cost bill submitted by the Mist-Birkenfeld Rural Fire Protection District and verify that, to the best of my knowledge, they are for a portion of the operational costs incurred due to the impaction on the district of natural gas exploration, development, transportation and storage in the Mist gas fields. The Board of County Commissioners has determined these costs to be reimbursable under ORS 275.275(2)(b) and Order No. 33 – 2015.

Dated this 4<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2015.

Columbia County Treasurer

By:   
Jennifer Cuellar-Smith