

**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)     )

**ORDER NO. 26-2018**

**[2018 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 17, 2018, the RFPD submitted a list of budgeted expenditures for the 2017-2018 fiscal year, along with the corresponding percentage which are a result of impaction in the amount of \$334,200 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 \$14,657.75 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 \$9,674.11, which is the allowable amount of reimbursement for the above-mentioned costs approved pursuant to Order No. 338-94 and Order No. 27-2018;

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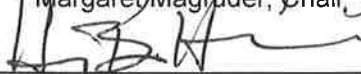
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NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the RFPD shall be reimbursed in the amount of \$9,674.11 as a portion of their operational costs due to impaction on the district by natural gas exploration, development, transportation and storage in the Mist gas fields, as described in the attached Exhibit A.

DATED this 27th day of June, 2018.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

By:   
Margaret Magruder, Chair

By:   
Henry Heimuller, Commissioner

By:   
Alex Tardif, Commissioner

Approved as to form

By:   
Office of County Counsel



# Vernonia Rural Fire Protection District

May 31, 2018

555 East Bridge St.  
Vernonia, OR 97064

Columbia County Board of Commissioners  
ATTN: Jennifer  
230 Strand Street  
St. Helens, Oregon 97051

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(503) 429-8252

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(503) 429-2900

RE: 2017-2018 Impact Request

Dean Smith  
Fire Chief  
  
Karin Goodman  
Office Manager

Dear Jennifer;

We are asking for reimbursement of Impact funds under ORS 275.275 (2) (b). The following amount is being requested for reimbursement of operational costs in the amount of \$ 59,864.

Attached you will find a copy of our Operational cost projected out in percentage based on our current budget for the 2017-2018 budget year. You will also find attached a copy of the certificate signed.

I would like to say that we appreciate the Board of Commissioners consideration in this matter.

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Sincerely,

Earl Dean Smith  
Fire Chief  
Vernonia Rural Fire Protection District

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## CERTIFICATE

On behalf of the Vernonia Rural Fire Protection District, we certify that the attached "Exhibit A" is a listing of budgeted expenditures for the 2017-2018 fiscal year along with the corresponding percentage, which is a result of "Impaction" on the district. This "Impaction" is due to the natural gas exploration, development, transportation and storage in the Mist gas fields. It has been determined that a portion of these operation costs are reimbursable under ORS 275.275 (2) (b).

Dated this 31th day of May 2018

VERNONIA RURAL FIRE  
PROTECTION DISTRICT

Earl Dean Smith, Fire Chief

Karin Goodman, Office Manager

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## COST OF OPERATION

The following is a listing of budgeted expenditures for the 2017-2018 fiscal year and the corresponding percentage, which is a result of "Impaction".

<u>2017-2018 Budget</u>	<u>Total Budget</u>	<u>15% Impaction</u>
Personal Services	\$ 234,087	\$ 35,113
Materials and Services	\$ 117,176	\$ 17,576
Capitol Outlay	\$ 44,500	\$ 6,675
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Sub Total	\$ 395,763	\$ 59,364

Total amount requested for reimbursement \$ 59,364

Note: Unappropriated, Debt Service and Reserve funds are not included in the amounts above.

If the total requests for reimbursement exceed the total amount available for disbursement from the "impact 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 staff.

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### FAX COVER SHEET

To: Jacey  
adumbiacounty commissioners  
From: Karri Goodman  
Fax #: 503 397 7243  
Date: 5-31-18

4 Pages including cover sheet

If questions Please call me at 1-503-429-8252.

original in the mail

Columbia County



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### MEMORANDUM

TO: Jennifer Cuellar, Treasurer

FROM: Board of County Commissioners

DATE: June 4, 2018

RE: Review and Determination Regarding Vernonia Rural Fire Protection District's Request for Reimbursement, Certificate and Cost Bill

The Board of County Commissioners has reviewed the request for reimbursement, certificate and cost bill submitted by the Vernonia 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,



# COLUMBIA COUNTY

Jennifer Cuellar-Smith, Director

## Department of Finance and Taxation

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### CERTIFICATE

Pursuant to ORS 275.275(2)(b), I have reviewed the May 31, 2018, request for reimbursement, certificate and cost bill submitted by the Vernonia 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. 27- 2018.

Dated this 27th day of June, 2018.

Columbia County Treasurer

By: Jennifer Cuellar-Smith  
Jennifer Cuellar-Smith