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FROM: Board of County Commissioners
TO: Columbia County Treasurer
DATE: June 11, 2025

RE: Review and Determination Regarding Mist-Birkenfeld 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 Mist-Birkenfeld Rural Fire Protection District for a portion of their operational costs incurred due to the impact 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), sign and return the attached verification document to the Board of Commissioners' Office.

Thank you,

Kellie Jo Smith
Chair



REIMBURSEMENT REQUEST FOR COSTS DUE TO IMPACTION

Mist-Birkenfeld Rural Fire Protection District requests reimbursement of \$344,893.00 for impaction costs as detailed below.

The following is a listing of budgeted expenditures for the 2024-2025 fiscal year and the corresponding percentage which is a result of "IMPACTION":

<u>2024-2025 Budgeted Amounts:</u>	<u>Total:</u>	<u>30% (Impaction)</u>
Personnel Services:	\$ 689,800.00	\$ 206,940.00
Materials & Services:	\$ 232,700.00	\$ 69,810.00
Capital Outlay:	\$ 178,000.00	\$ 53,400.00
Contingencies:	\$ 49,144.00	\$ 14,743.00
Totals:	<u>\$1,149,644.00</u>	<u>\$ 344,893.00</u>
	Amount Requested:	<u>\$ 344,893.00</u>

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.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joe Kaczinski
Fire Chief



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 30th day of April 2025

X 

Pamela Owen
Board President

X 

Joe Kaganowski
Fire Chief