



## **CURRY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

### **WORKSHOP**

Wednesday, January 10, 2018 – 10:00 AM  
Commissioners' Hearing Room, Courthouse Annex  
94235 Moore Street, Gold Beach, Oregon

[www.co.curry.or.us](http://www.co.curry.or.us)

### **AGENDA**

- 1. Call To Order & Pledge Of Allegiance**
- 2. Adoption/Amendment Of The Agenda (5 minutes)**
- 3. United States Forest Service (USFS) No Confidence Resolution in Practices and Policies. – Commissioner Boice (20 Minutes) Packet Page 2**
- 4. Road Fund Loans. – John Hitt, Interim County Administrator (20 minutes) Packet Page 7**
- 5. Curry County Wide Chamber of Commerce and Visitor Promotion. – Commissioner Boice (20 minutes) Packet Page 11**
- 6. Executive Session**  
192.660.2 (a) To consider the employment of a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent
- 7. Adjourn**

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**CURRY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**AGENDA ITEM ROUTING SLIP**

FORM 10-001.1 Rev. 11-21-2017

**PART I – SUBMITTING DEPARTMENT: RETURN TO [BOC\\_OFFICE@CO.CURRY.OR.US](mailto:BOC_OFFICE@CO.CURRY.OR.US)**

**PROPOSED AGENDA ITEM TITLE:** Resolution of No Confidence

**TIMELY FILED** Yes  No

If No, justification to include with next BOC Meeting

**AGENDA DATE<sup>a</sup>:** 01/10/18 **DEPARTMENT:** BOC **TIME NEEDED:** 20 Mins.

(<sup>a</sup>Submit by seven days prior to the next General Meeting ( eight days if a holiday falls within that seven day period))

**MEMO ATTACHED** Yes  No  If no memo, explain: Previously submitted to BOC

**CONTACT PERSON:** Court Boice **PHONE/EXT:** 3229 **TODAY’S DATE:** 01/04/18

**BRIEF BACKGROUND OR NOTE: (If no memo attached)** This resolution was presented at the 01/03/18 General Meeting. At that time the BOC voted to bring this back for further discussion and review due to the extensive public comment. The attached resolution has been revised based, to some degree, on that public input

**FILES ATTACHED:**

- (1) Revised Resolution of “No Confidence”
- (2)
- (3)

**QUESTIONS:**

- 1. Would this item be a departure from the Annual Budget if approved? Yes  No   
(If Yes, brief detail)
- 2. Does this agenda item impact any other County department? Yes  No   
(If Yes, brief detail)
- 3. Does Agenda Item impact County personnel resources? Yes  No   
(If Yes, brief detail)

**INSTRUCTIONS ONCE SIGNED:**

No Additional Activity Required

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**PART III - FINANCE DEPARTMENT REVIEW**

**EVALUATION CRITERIA 1-4:**

- 1. Confirmed Submitting Department’s finance-related responses Yes  No  N/A   
Comment:
- 2. Confirmed Submitting Department’s personnel-related materials Yes  No  N/A   
Comment:
- 3. If job description, Salary Committee reviewed: Yes  No  N/A
- 4. If hire order requires a Personnel Action Form (PAF)? Pending  N/A  No  HR

**PART IV – COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR REVIEW**

APPROVED FOR 01/10/18 BOC MEETING  Not Approved for BOC Agenda because

**LEGAL ASSESSMENT:** Does this agenda item have a legal impact? Yes  No   
(If Yes, brief detail)

**ASSIGNED TO: DISCUSSION ONLY**

**PART V – BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AGENDA APPROVAL**

**COMMISSIONERS’ REQUEST TO ADD TO AGENDA:**

Commissioner Thomas Huxley Yes  No

Commissioner Sue Gold

Yes  No

Commissioner Court Boice

Yes  No

BEFORE THE CURRY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

STATE OF OREGON

Regarding Chetco Bar Fire 2017	)	RESOLUTION
and Prior Fire Responses	)	OF
Practices and Policies.	)	NO CONFIDENCE
	)	In United States Forest Service
	)	Practices and Policies.

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WHEREAS the United States Forest Service is responsible for managing 2 million acres of public property in the Rogue Siskiyou National Forest and nearly 16 million of Public Lands in Oregon; and

WHEREAS during 2017, the Wildland fires in Oregon consumed nearly 680,000 acres of Federally protected lands which required \$340 million in firefighting costs; and

WHEREAS the largest fire in Oregon, the Curry County Chetco Bar Fire, destroyed 191,000 acres and cost the United States taxpayers over \$70 million in firefighting costs specific to that fire; and

WHEREAS undermanaged and unmanaged forests are allowed to become increasingly overstocked with unnatural amounts of ground fuel loads creating highly volatile and extremely combustible summertime conditions resulting in the likelihood of widespread conflagrations in ever greater number and severity; and

WHEREAS the U.S. Forest Service's past and current forest management and wildfire initial attack practices, amounting to a "let it burn" fire response policy, that have been the most substantial contributing factor in causing three of the worst Mega Fires in Oregon history; and

WHEREAS, multiple Mega Fires have occurred primarily in Curry County: The Chetco Bar (2017), Biscuit (2002), and Silver Creek (1987) fires; and

WHEREAS the local and regional leadership of the U.S. Forest Service has, through apparent mismanagement, and neglect allowed severe past and present damage, as well as an ongoing and future threat to the health, safety, property and welfare of this County's residents and resources; and

WHEREAS these Mega Fires impact Curry County businesses, Air Quality, and the health of its residents; as well as cause long-term damage to our environment, wildlife, and ecosystems; and

WHEREAS the governing body of Curry County has no confidence in the commitment of the upper and middle management of the U.S. Forest Service's regional districts to protect our priceless forest resources from these Mega Fires; and

WHEREAS Curry County has clearly stated objections to wrongful policies implemented by various agencies which do not appear to represent either the interests of our citizens or forests;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

The Curry County Board of Commissioners calls upon the U.S. Forest Service to thoroughly review past and current forest management practices in order to reduce the scope and intensity of future fires and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that:

The Curry County Board of Commissioners calls upon the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture, Sonny Purdue, to review the employment status of U.S. Forest Service personnel who are in any part responsible, through negligence or bad judgment, for allowing conditions that ultimately resulted in the Chetco Bar and other Oregon forest fires during 2017.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that:

The Curry County Board of Commissioners will continue to aid and cooperate with other county governments, State Officials, Federal Officials, and agencies to demand and contribute to constructive and effective solutions that will locally address these problems and ensure the protection of its County residents.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that:

The Curry County Board of Commissioners encourage adequate funding of the USFS and BLM to better prevent and avoid future forest fires as well as a more effective "rapid response" to small forest fires before they become Mega Fires,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that:

The USFS and associated agencies have the funding and are required to implement an immediate action plan to:

1. Allow salvage logging,
2. Open public access roads,
3. Begin reforestation,
4. Control storm water runoff, and
5. All other actions appropriate to restoring Curry County's burned and damaged forests, watershed, trails, and recreational opportunities.

DATED this \_\_\_\_ day of January, 2018

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Sue Gold, Chair

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Thomas Huxley, Vice Chair

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Court Boice, Commissioner

Approved to Form

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John HuttI, County Counsel

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**CURRY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**AGENDA ITEM ROUTING SLIP**  
FORM 10-001.1 Rev. 11-7-2017

**PART I – SUBMITTING DEPARTMENT: RETURN TO [BOC OFFICE@CO.CURRY.OR.US](mailto:BOC_OFFICE@CO.CURRY.OR.US)**

**PROPOSED AGENDA ITEM TITLE:** ROAD FUND LOAN DISCUSSION

**TIMELY FILED** Yes  No

If No, justification to include with next BOC Meeting

**AGENDA DATE<sup>a</sup>:** 01/10/18 **DEPARTMENT:** ADMINISTRATION **TIME NEEDED:** 20 Mins.

(<sup>a</sup>Submit by seven days prior to the next General Meeting ( eight days if a holiday falls within that seven day period))

**MEMO ATTACHED** Yes  No  If no memo, explain

**CONTACT PERSON:** John Hitt **PHONE/EXT:** 3287 **TODAY'S DATE:** Jan. 04, 2018

**BRIEF BACKGROUND OR NOTE<sup>b</sup>:** (If no memo attached)

<sup>b</sup>Indicate if more than one copy to be signed

**FILES ATTACHED:**

- (1)Memo
- (2)Draft Loan Guidelines
- (3)

**QUESTIONS:**

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(If Yes, brief detail)
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(If Yes, brief detail)
3. Does Agenda Item impact County personnel resources? Yes  No   
(If Yes, brief detail)

**INSTRUCTIONS ONCE SIGNED:**

No Additional Activity Required

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**PART III - FINANCE DEPARTMENT REVIEW**

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**PART IV – COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR REVIEW**

**APPROVED FOR** 01/10/18 **BOC MEETING**  Not Approved for BOC Agenda because

**LEGAL ASSESSMENT:** Does this agenda item have a legal impact? Yes  No

(If Yes, brief detail)

**ASSIGNED TO: DISCUSSION ONLY**

**PART V – BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AGENDA APPROVAL**

**COMMISSIONERS' REQUEST TO ADD TO AGENDA:**

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| Commissioner Thomas Huxley | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Commissioner Sue Gold      | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Commissioner Court Boice   | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> |

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**BOC MEMO TEMPLATE**

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**TO: BOARD OF COMMISSISONERS**

**FROM: JOHN HITT – INTERIM COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR**

**SUBJECT: ROAD FUND LENDING STANDARDS**

**DATE: (FOR) January 10,, 2018**

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**BACKGROUND:** At a prior BOC Workshop the BOC directed staff to initiate some guidelines, or standards that could be adopted as part of future ordinance regulating the circumstances and requirements that would govern any possible future loan from the Curry County Road Fund. At the Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> workshop one Commissioner indicated that they did not want to pursue a possible future ordinance concerning this. Another Commissioner indicated he would like to see such an ordinance. The January 10<sup>th</sup> workshop discussion is to determine whether a majority of the BOC wishes to set this matter for a future General Meeting agenda.

**RELEVANT FACTS:** Previously discussed.

**OPTIONS:** 1. Take no further action and leave to future BOC action should a Road Fund loan be proposed by another Curry County Governmental Agency. 2. Adopt guidelines/requirements as part of an ordinance that, while not binding on future BOCs, will at least give them some notion of what this BOC feels is important matters to consider before granting a future, proposed Road Fund loan.

**RECOMMENDATION(S):** the attached lending standards are submitted only as a starting point. For the most part, they are based on current ORS 294, public fund investing standards, and/or from the 'Oregon Local Government Intermediate Fund Investment Guidelines', and the 'Oregon Investment Council Policy – Short Term Investments: Portfolio Rules" All of these proposed standards are subject to revisions to the effect of either making it easier or more difficult for other governmental agencies to qualify for a Road Fund loan.



## CONCEPTUAL POLICY GUIDELINES FOR LENDING

### CURRY COUNTY ROAD FUNDS TO OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES

1. Purpose of proposed/requested loan must be to meet a public emergency as defined under ORS\_\_\_\_\_ or otherwise meet a clear and compelling public need or benefit.
2. The governmental entity requesting a Road Fund loan shall do so in writing indicating, as a minimum: a. the amount requested. B. the purpose of the loan. C. The requested term and interest rate of the loan, D. copies of audited financial reports for the prior five fiscal years. E. Copies of loan documents for any current or pending loan. Governmental entity must be able to demonstrate that there have no loan defaults in the prior five fiscal years.
3. The public entity requesting a loan must qualify for an independently certified bond rating of Baa3/P-3 by Moody's or BBB-/ A-3 by Standard and Poors, OR
4. The entity requesting a loan must obtain and pay the required premium to insure the principle of the loan for the entire period of the loan. Said insurance shall be provided by AMBAC, Assured Guaranty Corporation or other nationally recognized municipal bond insurer.
5. Any Road Fund granted must be secured by the General Obligation of the borrowing entity.
6. The borrowing entity must have unencumbered annual tax revenue in excess of 125% of the total debt service required to timely meet the requirements of a Road Fund Loan
7. Any approved loan, to any particular governmental entity, may not exceed the lessor of 5% of the total Road Fund or \$2,000,000
8. The total amount of county Road Fund Loans to all governmental entities combined, may not exceed the lessor of 35% or \$12,000,000
9. Prior to consideration of any Road Fund Loan request, the Board of Commissioners shall conduct two separate public hearings, separated by at least 30 days. Said public hearings shall be noticed in all newspapers of record, and the county website, at least 21 days prior to each public hearing. At least one public hearing shall be conducted in a location other than Gold Beach.
10. The BOC shall take a vote after each public hearing. The BOC shall cast a unanimous vote favoring the loan proposal before moving forward with, or otherwise approving the loan request. Failure to obtain a unanimous vote after either public hearing, or after

review of the final loan documents, shall result in a denial/disapproval of the loan request.

11. No individual loan shall exceed at term of more than five years, except that the balance remaining may be extended/refinanced for another term of 5 years, provided that:
  - A. All payments of principle and interest were timely received during the first five years of the loan.
  - B. The borrowing entity has no defaults of any kind and has not incurred additional General Obligation indebtedness.
  - C. The unencumbered annual tax revenues of the borrowing entity still exceeds 125% of the required debt service
  - D. The interest rate on the unpaid principle remaining after 5 years shall be readjusted to be not less than 2% greater than the MIB average 'A' rated municipal bond at that time.
  
12. For all approved loans from the Curry County Road fund, the borrowing governmental entity shall maintain a loan fund cash reserve, in a separate escrow account, of 7.5% of the amount borrowed. The principle in said escrow account shall be accessible only to Curry County, but the borrowing entity shall be credited with, and annually may receive all interest accumulations.

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**PART I – SUBMITTING DEPARTMENT: RETURN TO [BOC\\_OFFICE@CO.CURRY.OR.US](mailto:BOC_OFFICE@CO.CURRY.OR.US)**

**AGENDA ITEM TITLE:** Curry County Wide Chamber of Commerce and Visitor Promotion

**AGENDA DATE<sup>a</sup>:** 1-10-18 **DEPARTMENT:** Commissioner's **TIME NEEDED:** 20 minutes

<sup>a</sup>Submit by seven days prior to the next General Meeting ( eight days if a holiday falls within that seven day period)

**CONTACT PERSON:** Court Boice **PHONE/EXT:** 3229 **TODAY’S DATE:** January 4, 2018

**BRIEF BACKGROUND OR NOTE<sup>b</sup>:** Please See Attached ...

<sup>b</sup>Indicate if more than one copy to be signed

**FILES ATTACHED:**

**SUBMISSION TYPE:** Proposal

(1)yes

(2)

Are there originals in route (paper copies with pre-existing signatures) Yes  No

**QUESTIONS:**

1. Would this item be a departure from the Annual Budget if approved? Yes  No   
(If Yes, brief detail)
2. Does this agenda item impact any other County department? Yes  No   
(If Yes, brief detail)
3. If Land Transaction, filed with the clerk? Yes  No  N/A

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**PART II – COUNTY CLERK REVIEW**

**EVALUATION CRITERIA:**

**CLERK ASSESSMENT:** Does this agenda item meet filing/recording standards? Yes  No  N/A

(If No, brief detail)

**PART III - FINANCE DEPARTMENT REVIEW**

**EVALUATION CRITERIA 1-4:**

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Comment:
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4. If hire order requires an UA, is it approved?        Yes  No  Pending  N/A

**PART IV – COUNTY COUNSEL REVIEW**

**AGENDA ASSIGNMENT TYPE:** (Select)

**LEGAL ASSESSMENT:** Does this agenda item have a legal impact?        Yes  No

(If Yes, brief detail)

**PART V – BOARD OF COMMISSIONER REVIEW/COMMENT**

**LIAISON COMMISSIONER AGREES TO ADD TO AGENDA:**

Commissioner Thomas Huxley        Yes  No

Commissioner Sue Gold        Yes  No

Commissioner Court Boice        Yes  No

Not applicable to Sheriff’s Department since they do not have a liaison

**January 3, 2018**

**RE: Curry County Chamber of Commerce**

**Curry Board of Commissioners –**

**This is encouragement to consider the concept of a County Wide Chamber of Commerce Program. All of our local Chambers due an excellent job, however and as you are aware do struggle costs, support and enough staff.**

**My initial thoughts are to have one strong and qualified Public Relations person (an employee vigorously representing the County and Cities) to essentially go border to border in our County. I think this is our best chance for wise and effective collective Visitor Promotion. This person could be salaried by combining all of our local expertise and resources and of course include Southern Oregon Visitors Association and Travel Oregon.**

**Not certain, however I would think our Curry Annex could provide office space saving significant overhead and too offering other possible ways to assist. Further, I feel that at least in the early stages C of C “store front(s)” would not be necessary in any of our communities.**

**I believe it goes without saying that we could be more effective with our valuable revenues received from the City Transient Lodging Tax Programs. At some point hopefully we could uniform those rates and too eventually include all Lodging establishments throughout the County within and under one TLT program.**

**I understand this may seem a bit over-simplified, so this can be discussed with good dialogue in a CC BOC Workshop. I will be active in pursuing research regarding this concept.**