

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

RESOLUTION NO. 06-108

Authorizing Two Title III Federal Forest Safety Net Payment Min-Grant Projects for
County Fiscal Year 2007

The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Finds:

- a. Multnomah County receives federal payments under the *“Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000,”* commonly referred to as the County Safety Net legislation (Public Law 106-393).
- b. Under Title III of PL 107-393, Multnomah County receives funds to be used for a variety of very specific forest related activities approved by a County’s governing body. Title III projects and activities may include expenditures for:
 - Search, rescue and emergency services on federal lands.
 - Staffing of community service work performed on federal lands.
 - Easement purchases (access or conservation).
 - Forest related after-school educational opportunities.
 - Fire prevention and county wildfire planning.
 - Funds matching for Urban/Community Forestry programs under the Cooperative Forestry Assistance Act of 1978.
- c. On March 20, 2006, Multnomah County began a process to solicit “mini-grant” proposals from non-profit organizations that are eligible for Title III funding under PL 106-393.
- d. Press releases describing the mini-grant process were sent out to approximately 60 local media outlets, and a public notice was published in the County’s local paper of general circulation. Application packets were sent to interested groups with a deadline submittal of April 28, 2006.
- e. Multnomah County received completed applications from two interested groups. County and Board staff carefully reviewed these applications and found that both were worthy of County funding as Title III projects for County fiscal year 2007, beginning July 1, 2006.
- f. On May 3, 2006, as required by PL 106-393, Multnomah County published a Public Notice describing anticipated Title III County projects for County fiscal years 2006 and 2007, and began a 45 day Public Comment Period that ended on June 19, 2006. There were no public comments received by County staff.
- g. On May 3, 2006, as also required by PL 106-393, County staff notified the appropriate Resource Advisory Committees for the US Forest Service and

Bureau of Land Management of the proposed Multnomah County Title III projects described in its May 3rd Public Notice.

- h. On May 18, 2006, the Multnomah County Board of Commissioners elected its method for receiving federal forest safety net payments for federal fiscal year 2006, by adopting two Resolutions. These two Resolutions, one for US Forest Service funds and the second for O&C Counties funds (Bureau of Land Management), described the amount of Title III funds to the County from each agency. Included within the Title III allocation was approximately \$20,000 to be used for two min-grants approved at a later date by the Board.

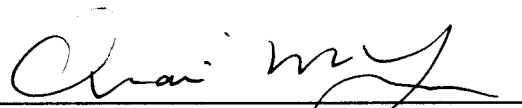
The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Resolves:

1. The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners approves the Title III federal forest payment project submitted by the Multnomah County Search and Rescue Team in the amount of \$9,466 for the period July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007.
2. The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners approves the Title III federal forest payment project submitted by the Oregon State University Extension Service, on behalf of 4H Forest Stewards in the amount of \$12,000 for the period July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007.
3. County staff is instructed to negotiate and execute service contracts with each of these organizations for the services described in their Title III project proposals.

Adopted this 22nd day of June, 2006.



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Diane M. Linn, Chair

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