

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF LANE COUNTY, OREGON

ORDER NO: 19-06-11-07

IN THE MATTER OF AUTHORIZING LANE COUNTY TO SUBMIT A NON-BINDING DIVESTMENT QUESTIONNAIRE TO A REVIEW COMMITTEE WITH THE INTENTION TO EXPLORE A PROPERTY TRANSFER FROM THE NATURE CONSERVANCY TO LANE COUNTY

WHEREAS, this matter now coming before the Lane County Board of Commissioners and said Board deeming it in the best interest of Lane County to submit a non-binding divestment questionnaire for the 1305 acre property known as the Willamette Confluence Preserve, for a review committee composed of (The Nature Conservancy (TNC), the Bonneville Power Administration (BPA), the Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board (OWEB), the Oregon Department of Wildlife & Fisheries (ODFW) and Tribal representatives) to determine whether Lane County Parks possesses the vision, the will and the adequate capacity to manage the property into the future; and

WHEREAS, the questionnaire will be submitted no later than 6/15/19 with a response anticipated by 8/15/19 and a final decision by the review committee on 10/31/19, with an intention to close the transfer no later than December 2020; and

WHEREAS, the property currently owned by TNC has conveyed two conservation easements through perpetuity, one with BPA and one with the OWEB, to ensure that the property's conservation values are to be protected over the long-term; and

WHEREAS, the a sum of approximately \$1,000,000 is expected to be conveyed to the new property owner as a sum of the transfer, of which these funds are restricted to actions on the site; and

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of County Commissioners of Lane County **ORDERS** that the public record reflect that Lane County Parks intends on submitting a non-binding divestment questionnaire to a review committee to explore a transfer of the Willamette Confluence Property from the ownership of The Nature Conservancy to the ownership of Lane County.

ADOPTED this 11th day of June, 2019



Pete Sorenson, Chair
Lane County Board of Commissioners

APPROVED AS TO FORM

Date

LANE COUNTY OFFICE OF LEGAL COUNSEL