

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF LANE COUNTY, OREGON

ORDER NO: 20-09-01-02

In the Matter of Authorizing the County Administrator to Sign an Addendum Related to Prescribed Fire to the 10 Year Landowner Agreement Under the US Fish and Wildlife Service Partners for Fish and Wildlife Program in Howard Buford Recreation Area.

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners Board in 2016 authorized the County Administrator to enroll Lane County Park lands at Howard Buford Recreation Area into a ten year agreement with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Services' "Partners for Fish and Wildlife" habitat improvement program; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners in 2018 adopted the Howard Buford Recreation Area Habitat Management Plan, which describes a 15-year program of habitat restoration work that includes the use of prescribed fire as an important habitat management tool; and

WHEREAS, the Partners for Fish and Wildlife agreement is a vehicle for U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to plan and implement prescribed burns within HBRA at no cost to Lane County Parks; and

WHEREAS, In July 2020 the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service notified Lane County of a new policy to require land owners to sign an addendum to the 10 year agreement if the landowner wanted to continue to request assistance with prescribed burning.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of County Commissioners of Lane County **ORDERS** as follows:

1. That the County Administrator sign an addendum to the 10-year landowner agreement for Howard Buford Recreation Area under the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) Partners for Fish and Wildlife Program

ADOPTED this 1st day of September, 2020.



Heather Buch, Chair
Lane County Board of Commissioners