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## **AGENDA COVER MEMO**

**DATE:** April 7, 2004  
**TO:** Lane County Board of Commissioners  
**DEPT:** Public Works  
**PRESENTED BY:** Dale Wendt, Public Works Support Services Manager

**AGENDA ITEM TITLE:** In the Matter of Entering into a Contract with the State of Oregon Office of Emergency Management for Reimbursement of Qualifying Expenses Incurred during the 2003-04 Winter Storm Event, Disaster Declaration Number: FEMA-1510-DR

### **I. MOTION**

MOVE TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE STATE OF OREGON OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF QUALIFYING EXPENSES INCURRED DURING THE 2003-04 WINTER STORM EVENT, DISASTER DECLARATION NUMBER: FEMA-1510-DR

### **II. ISSUE OR PROBLEM**

Shall Lane County approve entering into a contract with the State of Oregon Office of Emergency Management for reimbursement of expenses incurred during the 2003-04 winter storm event, disaster declaration number FEMA-1510-DR?

### **III. DISCUSSION**

#### **A. Background**

On February 19, 2004, President Bush declared a major disaster for the State of Oregon triggering the release of federal funds to help communities recover from the severe winter storms that occurred December 26, 2003, through January 14, 2004. Funds are allocated to the State of Oregon Office of Emergency Management (OEM) from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

Lane County Department of Public Works has initiated filing as a subgrantee for reimbursement of its qualifying expenses. OEM reimburses 75 percent of qualifying expenses.

Public Works has been successful in receiving reimbursements from FEMA money for the 1996 and 1997 major storm events.

**B. Analysis**

Public Works estimates total expenses will be \$90,000-110,000. Final cleanup and removal of damaged trees and debris is continuing and will not be completed until late April 2004.

**C. Alternatives/Options**

1. Approve entering into a contract with the State of Oregon Office of Emergency Management for reimbursement of qualifying expenses resulting from the 2003-04 winter storm event.
2. Do not contract to seek reimbursement for winter storm qualifying expenses.

**D. Recommendation**

Enter into a contract with the Office of Emergency Management for reimbursement of qualifying expenses resulting from the 2003-04 winter storm event.

**E. Timing**

Upon approval of the Board, the contract will be forwarded to the County Administrator for execution.

**IV. IMPLEMENTATION/FOLLOW-UP**

None.

**V. ATTACHMENTS**

Board Order

IN THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF LANE COUNTY  
STATE OF OREGON

**ORDER**

) IN THE MATTER OF ENTERING INTO A  
) CONTRACT WITH THE STATE OF  
) OREGON OFFICE OF EMERGENCY  
) MANAGEMENT FOR REIMBURSE-  
) MENT OF QUALIFYING EXPENSES  
) INCURRED DURING THE 2003-04  
) WINTER STORM EVENT, DISASTER  
) DECLARATION NO.: FEMA-1510-DR

WHEREAS, on February 19, 2004, President Bush declared a major disaster for the State of Oregon triggering release of federal funds to assist communities in recovering from the severe winter storms that occurred December 26, 2003, through January 14, 2004, and

WHEREAS, the State of Oregon Office of Emergency Management is granted authority to administer the contracts with subgrantees, and

WHEREAS, Lane County qualifies as a subgrantee, and

WHEREAS, Lane County Department of Public Works experienced qualifying expenses as a result of responding to the declared disaster; therefore it is hereby

ORDERED that Lane County Department of Public Works enter into a contract with the State of Oregon Office of Emergency Management for reimbursement of qualifying expenses incurred during the 2003-04 winter storm event; and it is further

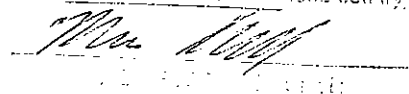
ORDERED that a contract be executed in accordance with this Order and the County Administrator be authorized to sign the contract.

DATED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of April, 2004.

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Chair, Board of County Commissioners

APPROVED AS TO FORM

Date 3-26-04 lane county

  
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County Administrator