IN AND FOR THE COUNTY COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR GILLIAM COUNTY

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-13

A RESOLUTION DECLARING A STATE OF DROUGHT EMERGENCY IN GILLIAM COUNTY

THIS MATTER, coming before the County Court for Gilliam County sitting as the County governing body at a regularly scheduled meeting on this 5th day of September, 2018; and

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WHEREAS, the total precipitation for the area is significantly below average; and

WHEREAS, Gilliam County is faced with potential crop failures both in dry land and irrigated areas that are served by streams as well as a 50% reduction in available range forage for livestock, likely necessitating livestock feed assistance; and

WHEREAS, Gilliam County's drought conditions have been further exacerbated by the wildfires that have recently burned 54,221 acres in the Stubblefield Fire and 5,056 acres in the Lonerock Fire; and

WHEREAS, the County Court of Gilliam County, Oregon hereby declares that a state of emergency exists within Gilliam County; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Gilliam County Court is requesting that Governor Brown declare a state of drought emergency for Gilliam County.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Gilliam County Court is requesting that Governor Brown request that the United States Secretary of Interior and the United States Secretary of Agriculture issue Drought Disaster Declaration for Gilliam County.

Adopted by the Gilliam County Court this 5th day of September, 2018.

Steve Shaffer, Gilliam County Judge

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Leslie Wetherell, Gilliam County Commissioner

Michael Weimar, Gilliam County Commissioner