

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLOWA  
IN AND OF THE STATE OF OREGON

**IN THE MATTER OF DECLARING  
A DROUGHT EMERGENCY WITHIN  
WALLOWA COUNTY.**

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} **RESOLUTION 2021-018**  
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**WHEREAS** this matter came before the Board of Commissioners at an emergency meeting on May 21, 2021 involving a disaster situation in Wallowa County caused by severe drought continuing through the spring and early summer of 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, the emergency appears to be of such magnitude that the economic impact to many livestock producers, farmers, agricultural related businesses, and the County economy may be putting them in need of economic assistance, and

**WHEREAS**, there has been a continuous lack of rain with no significant change in conditions forecasted for the rest of the agricultural season, and

**WHEREAS**, all zones within Wallowa County are being affected, the attached map of the County indicates the boundary of the proposed disaster declaration, and

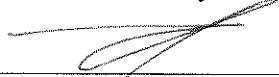
**WHEREAS**, the possibility of moisture relief is bleak, recognizing that the drought disaster area may remain during the summer,


**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Wallowa County Board of Commissioners, under the powers granted by ORS 401.305, hereby declares that a state of emergency exists, and


**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Wallowa County Board of Commissioners requests that the governor of the State of Oregon forward this request to the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture for consideration of a Drought Disaster Declaration for Wallowa County.

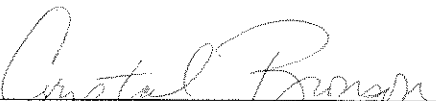
**Dated this 21st day of May, 2021**

**Wallowa County Board of Commissioners**

  
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Commissioner Todd Nash

  
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Commissioner Susan Roberts

  
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Commissioner John Hillock

  
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Attest: Crystal Bronson, Exec. Asst.