

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 2024-026
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WHEREAS this matter came before the Board of Commissioners at a regular meeting on October 2, 2024, involving an emergency drought situation in Wallowa County caused by drought conditions beginning July 24, 2024, with extreme heat and lack of precipitation and on-going through March 1, 2025; 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 until March 1, 2025,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Wallowa County Board of Commissioners, under the powers granted by ORS 401.309, hereby declares that a state of emergency exists, and

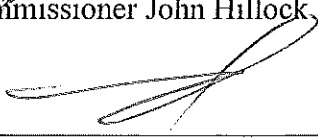
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Wallowa County Board of Commissioners requests that the governor of the State of Oregon forward this request to the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture for consideration of a Drought Disaster Declaration for Wallowa County.

Dated this 2nd day of October 2024

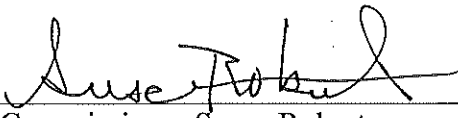
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Commissioner Susan Roberts



Attest: Tera Elliott, Exec. Asst.