

AGENDA ITEM FOR ADMINISTRATIVE MEETING

() Discussion only
(X) Action

FROM (DEPT/ DIVISION): Douglas R. Olsen
County Counsel

SUBJECT: EOCA Dues Payment

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| <p>Background: Approval is sought for payment of Eastern Oregon Counties Association Dues. The amount includes membership (amount based on PILT payments) and BIC optional support. The payment is before the Board due to the amount.</p> | <p>Requested Action: Approve payment to Union County EOCA in the amount of \$15,000</p> |
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ATTACHMENTS: Invoice

*****For Internal Use Only*****

Checkoffs:

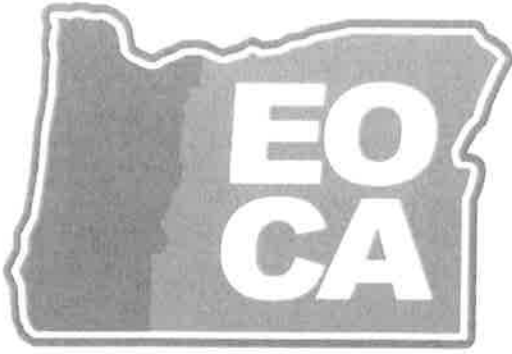
- () Dept. Head (copy)
- () Budget (copy)
- () Fiscal
- (X) Legal (copy)
- () (Other - List:)

To be notified of Meeting:

Needed at Meeting:

Scheduled for meeting on: August 21, 2024

Action taken:



Membership Invoice

Eastern Oregon Counties Association

Date: July 30, 2024

Invoice: T2-20240003

Payment Due: 30 September 2024

Umatilla County

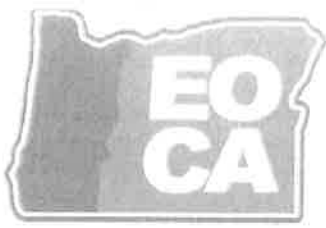
215 SE 4th St
Pendleton, Or 97801

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| DESCRIPTION | AMOUNT | COMMITMENT AMOUNT |
|--------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| * Basic Membership (FY 2024-2025) | \$ 10,000 | \$ 10,000 |
| * Blue Mountain Intergovernmental Committee (optional) | \$ 5,000 | |
| Eastern Oregon Economic Summit (optional) | Suggested Contribution \$ 1,000 to \$ 5,000 | |
| | TOTAL | |

Please submit check payment along with a copy of this invoice to:

UNION COUNTY
EOCA
1106 K. Avenue
La Grande, OR 97850



Eastern Oregon Counties Association

1106 K Avenue, La Grande, OR 97850

(541) 786-8799

July 29, 2024

Dear Commissioners

The Eastern Oregon Counties Association (EOCA) is an intergovernmental organization formed in 2011 by six regional counties in Oregon. It has since grown to include thirteen counties east of the Cascade Mountain Range. EOCA represents the common concerns of its member counties with respect to state and federal policies, regulations, and federally managed lands. It is governed by member county commissioners and judges who serve as its board of directors. EOCA is funded by an annual membership assessment, based on common priorities and needs, which are determined by its members.

The association's dues structure is based on a small percentage of all Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) funds received from the United States Department of Interior. EOCA members approved four membership tiers for the 2020-21 fiscal year, which are based on PILT payments from 2019. Membership dues are determined by the following:

- TIER 1 [PILT received in excess of 2 million dollars]: \$12,500 membership.
- TIER 2 [PILT received between 1 and 2 million dollars]: \$10,000 membership.
- TIER 3 [PILT received between \$500,000 and \$999,000]: \$7,500 membership.
- TIER 4 [PILT received under \$500,000]: \$2,500 membership.

All members receive the same benefits regardless of membership dues amount paid. This dues structure was designed to be equitable and engage as many counties as are interested.

The biggest benefit to membership in the EOCA is strength in numbers. By uniting as counties, we are more likely to achieve success when pursuing our mission to advocate for those who live, learn, and work in eastern and central Oregon counties.

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There has never been a more critical time for central and eastern Oregon to unite on issues that affect our counties. It is our combined strength that will allow us to advocate more effectively for constituents east of the Cascades. Your voice matters. We invite you to join us.

Sincerely,

Paul Anderes

Union County Commissioner, EOCA Chair

Susan Roberts

Wallowa County Commissioner, EOCA Co-Chair