BEFORE THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF LANE COUNTY, OREGON

ORDER NO: 14-05-20-03

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING THE
LANE COUNTY WILLAMETTE BASIN
TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOAD (TMDL) 5-
YEAR IMPLEMENTATION PLAN FOR
SUBMITTAL TO THE DEPARTMENT OF
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY (DEQ)

WHEREAS, the federal Clean Water Act (33 USC § 1251-1387)(CWA) governs water quality for national water bodies as "navigable" by the CWA and authorizes the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to restore and maintain the physical, chemical, and biological integrity of all waters of the nation; and

WHEREAS, in implementing and administrating the Clean Water Act, the EPA delegated states the responsibility to develop water quality standards, perform water quality monitoring to understand current conditions, determine sources of pollution, and develop Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) as a tool to improve water quality; and

WHEREAS, the Willamette River and tributary waters are important Oregon resources essential to protecting the future health and prosperity of the Willamette Valley, and provide recreational, commercial, cultural, ecological, and aesthetic assets to visitors and the citizens of Lane County; and

WHEREAS, to address water quality standards in the Willamette River and its tributaries, the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) issued the Willamette Basin TMDL and a Water Quality Management Plan (WQMP) that identified responsible Designated Management Agencies (DMAs) required to develop sector specific Implementation Plans; and

WHEREAS, Lane County is identified as a DMA with jurisdiction in the portions of Willamette Basin over county-owned lands, county-managed roads, rural non-resource lands, riparian areas, and waste management activities within the County; and

WHEREAS, In accordance with OAR 340-042-0080 and WQMP, Lane County submitted its first 5-year Willamette Basin Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) in 2008 and the County completed the 5-year Implementation Plan review in 2013; and

WHEREAS, DEQ requires an update to the TMDL Plan for the next five years beginning July 2014;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of County Commissioners of Lane County ORDERS as follows:

1. The Board of County Commissioners of Lane County approves the submission of the updated Lane County Willamette Basin Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) 5-year Implementation Plan July 2014 to the DEQ for approval;

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2. Following approval of the TMDL Implementation Plan by the DEQ, the County will undertake those actions specified by the Plan as resources and funding permit, including submitting an annual status report and a 5-year status report to the DEQ.

ADOPTED this 20th day of May, 2014.

[Signature]
Pat Farr, Chair
Lane County Board of Commissioners

APPROVED AS TO FORM
Date 5-

LANE COUNTY OFFICE OF LEGAL COUNSEL

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