BEFORE THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF LANE COUNTY, OREGON

ORDER AND RESOLUTION
NO: 19-10-15-09

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING THE TENTATIVE AGREEMENT BETWEEN LANE COUNTY AND LANE COUNTY ASSOCIATION, LOCAL 626

WHEREAS, a tentative agreement has been reached between Lane County's bargaining team and the Lane County Association, Local 626; and

WHEREAS, the agreement is consistent with the guidelines set forth by the Board of Commissioners; and

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

1. That the attached tentative agreement between Lane County and the Lane County Association, Local 626 is approved.

2. That the County Administrator and the County's bargaining team be authorized to execute the revised agreement on behalf of the County.

ADOPTED this 15th day of October, 2019.

Pete Sorenson, Chair
Lane County Board of Commissioners

[Signature]

LANE COUNTY OFFICE OF LEGAL COUNSEL

[Signature]
SUMMARY
Changes to the Lane County Association, Local 626
Agreement 2019-2022

Overall
• Modifications for gender neutrality
• Change all instances of “shall” to “will”
• Changed all roman numerals to Arabic
• Grammar, formatting and punctuation clean up

Definitions
• Corrected definition of “COBRA”
• Replace “Letter of Understanding” with “Memorandum of Understanding” to reflect current practice

Preamble
• Removed reference to gender

Article 1
• Modified classification titles to reflect split of Road Maintenance series into the new Road Maintenance series and Solid Waste series

Article 2
• Added language to provide for use of volunteer programs to perform bargaining unit work upon review and agreement

Article 3
• Removed all reference to “Fair Share”
• Removed language regarding initiation fees
• Modified dues deduction language to reflect current practice
• Added language allowing for dissemination of the dues deductions list to the Union upon request
• Revised language to clarify indemnity for the County in relation to dues deduction

Article 4
• Added language providing for employees to receive wages in the event they are called as a witness by the Union in arbitrations at the expense of the Union

Article 6
• Modified grievance process to provide for a written documentation process in step one after an attempt to informally resolve the issue
• Added language allowing for an employee, or representative, to terminate a grievance

Article 7
• Removed outdated language related to expense reimbursement that is no longer the current practice
• Clarified that business expense reimbursement during travel require a receipt
• Clarified that personal gear allowances pertain to regular employees
• Clarified language regarding costs related to CDL endorsement to be borne by the County

Article 8
• Clarified the weighting of promotional preference questionnaires/exams
• Added language establishing a process for transfer into trainee positions to serve a new 12 month probationary period, with recall rights if unsuccessful

Article 9
• Modified language for call back to a guarantee of three hours pay, rather than four hours of work
• Clarified comp time to be paid out, rather in cash
• Clarified language on the start times for shift differential
• Modified on-call time for electricians to a $10 daily rate, as opposed to a $300 monthly rate
• Clarified on-call to include digital communication

Article 10
• 1.5% cost of living adjustment for FY 19/20
• 2.0% cost of living adjustment for FY 20/21
• 2.0% cost of living adjustment for FY 21/22
• Modified the wage scale by removing two steps from the bottom for an eight-step scale
• Market adjustments for classifications Shop Utility Worker and Fleet Purchasing Specialist by an increase of one (1) grade, merit date reset for employees at step one or two of the current scale, employees move to the step closest without a decrease
• Market adjustments for classifications Road Maintenance Worker/Trainee and Solid Waste Worker/Trainee by an increase of one (1) grade, merit date reset for employees at step one or two of the current scale, employees move to the step closest that results in no less than a five percent (5%) increase
• Market adjustments for classifications Road Maintenance Operator, Road Maintenance Senior Operator and Solid Waste Senior Operator by an increase of two (2) grades, merit date reset for employees at step one or two of the current scale, employees move to the step closest that results in no less than a five percent (5%) increase
• One-time payment for retroactive pay based on base wages for paid hours from July 1, 2019 to the last day of the full pay period prior to board approval.
• Clarified out of class pay as assigned by a supervisor and increased from one hour to an entire shift
- Removed language related to out of class pay for transporting the Knuckleboom Packer
- Added language providing a three percent (3%) differential for assignments associated with emergencies and winter events as determined by the Division Manager
- Added Mechanic 2 to classifications eligible for out of class pay for working in the field
- Removed section related to equipment differential
- Modified language on minor payroll adjustments authorizing the County to make adjustments up to $25 per pay period not to exceed six pay periods.

**Article 11**
- Clarified the use of accrued time for the day following Thanksgiving
- Established process for scheduling Time Management with advance notice, with limitations on time for supervisor response
- Clarified time management to be paid out, rather in cash
- Clarified that pregnancy is exempted from the 6 month waiting period for disability leave
- Clarified and added relationships for bereavement pay eligibility, as well as clarified that bereavement leave and OFLA protected leave run consecutively
- Clarified military leave applies for fifteen calendar days, regardless of work schedules

**Article 12**
- Added option for a Health Reimbursement Arrangement (HRA) under the High Deductible health Plan.
- Clarified the plan limits for long term disability
- Removed language related specifically to the previous agreement timing on plan changes
- Clarified the steps for receiving the “Live Well” credit
- Added proration amount for opt-out of health insurance for part-time employees and clarified that employees are not eligible for the opt-out if they are otherwise covered on County health insurance
- Corrected section title for Retirement Enrollment
- Added additional examples of personal property not included in County replacement when damage occurs on the job
- Modified coverage of physical examinations required for CDLs to be at the employee’s expense if they choose to use their own provider, rather than the Live Well Center

**Article 13**
- Clarified the safety committee forms a sub-committee for accident review
- Added gloves to County provided personal protective equipment
- Clarified replacement of personal protective equipment with reasonable wear

**Article 14**
• Added provision to provide Commercial Driver’s License training for classifications that require one at the cost of the County, with provisions for repayment of cost if the employee separates from employment based on the length of service if less than two years
• Clarified disability leave applies to disability, instead of physical or mental problems

**Article 16**
• Clarified bumping rights will follow the new schedule A for all classifications

**Article 18**
• Modified dates for a three year agreement

**Schedule A**
• Removed table of equipment/classification designations
• Renamed class series and bumping order chart to schedule A

**MOUs**
• One-time payment for select employees to ensure no loss in pay during the first year of the contract based on the average differential earnings in FY 18-19
• Established the classification of Road Maintenance Specialist for the purposes of career development and seasonal work related out of class opportunities

**Classification Changes**
• Separation of the current Road Maintenance classification series and change of titles as follows:
  o Road Maintenance 1 to
    Road Maintenance Worker/Trainee and Solid Waste Worker/Trainee
  o Road Maintenance 2 to
    Road Maintenance Operator and Solid Waste Operator
  o Road Maintenance 3 to
    Road Maintenance Senior Operator and Solid Waste Senior Operator

**Costs**
Increased costs resulting from the proposal by year are estimated as follows:

**Year 1 (FY 19-20)**
- 1.5% Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) - $132,416
- COLAs for extra help - $5,306
- Market Adjustment/Step Reconfiguration - $363,253
- Change in call back pay $461
- Elimination of equipment differential and associated out of class pay – ($100,915)
- MOU One-time payment - $11,169

  YEAR 1 TOTAL: $411,690

**Year 2 (FY20-21)**
- 2% Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) - $315,605
- COLAs for extra help - $12,486
- Market Adjustment/Step Reconfiguration - $333,393
- Change in call back pay $471
- Elimination of equipment differential and associated out of class pay – ($102,933)

YEAR 2 TOTAL: $559,022

Year 3 (FY 21-22)
- 2% Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) - $517,757
- COLAs for extra help - $19,810
- Market Adjustment/Step Reconfiguration - $353,389
- Change in call back pay $490
- Elimination of equipment differential and associated out of class pay – ($107,192)

YEAR 3 TOTAL: $784,255

Total estimated additional cost for contract is $1,754,967. This is based upon the makeup of the current workforce.

**Three Year Agreement, ending June 30, 2022.**
AGREEMENT
between
LANE COUNTY, OREGON
and
LANE COUNTY ASSOCIATION LOCAL 626

AGREEMENT
2016-2019
2019-2022

THIS COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT is entered into by and between Lane County Board of Commissioners, hereinafter referred to as COUNTY and Lane County Association Local 626, hereinafter referred to as UNION, and constitutes the sole and complete agreement between the parties.
# TABLE OF CONTENTS

**DEFINITIONS** .......................................................................................................................... 1

**PREAMBLE** ............................................................................................................................... 3

Section 1 - Purpose ......................................................................................................................... 3
Section 2 - Applicability .................................................................................................................. 3
Section 3 - Gender .......................................................................................................................... 3

**ARTICLE I** .................................................................................................................................. 4

**RECOGNITION** .......................................................................................................................... 4

Section 1 - Recognition ................................................................................................................... 4
Section 2 - Division of Labor .......................................................................................................... 4

**ARTICLE II** ................................................................................................................................ 5

**MANAGEMENT RIGHTS** .......................................................................................................... 5

Section 1 - Retention of Rights ..................................................................................................... 5
Section 2 - Uniform Application .................................................................................................... 5
Section 3 - Contracting Out .......................................................................................................... 5
Section 4 - Inmate Worker Program .............................................................................................. 5
Section 5 - Exercise of Rights ....................................................................................................... 6

**ARTICLE III** ............................................................................................................................... 7

**DUES DEDUCTION/FAIR SHARE** ............................................................................................... 7

Section 1 - Fair Share ..................................................................................................................... 7
Section 2 - Deduction of Dues and Fees ....................................................................................... 7
Section 3 - Dues Transmittal/ Hold Harmless ............................................................................. 7

**ARTICLE IV** ................................................................................................................................ 8

**UNION RIGHTS** ......................................................................................................................... 8

Section 1 - Union Activity ............................................................................................................. 8
Section 2 - County Union Meetings ............................................................................................... 9
Section 3 - Information ................................................................................................................... 9
Section 4 - Union Business ........................................................................................................... 9
Section 5 - Protection of Rights .................................................................................................... 9
Section 6 - Officers and Stewards ............................................................................................... 10

**ARTICLE V** ................................................................................................................................ 11

**DISCIPLINE AND DISCHARGE** ................................................................................................. 11

Section 1 - Causes for Discipline ................................................................................................. 11
Section 2 - Pre-disciplinary Hearing ............................................................................................ 12
Section 3 - Effective Date of Discipline ....................................................................................... 12
Section 4 - Extension of Time ........................................................................................................ 12

**ARTICLE VI** ................................................................................................................................ 13

**GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE** ....................................................................................................... 13

Section 1 - Purpose ....................................................................................................................... 13
Section 2 - Grievance Steps .......................................................................................................... 13
Section 3 - Arbitration ................................................................................................................... 14
Section 4 - General Provisions ..................................................................................................... 15
Section 5 - Time Limits .................................................................................................................. 15

**ARTICLE VII** ................................................................................................................................ 16

**GENERAL PROVISIONS** ............................................................................................................ 16

Section 1 - Employee Information ............................................................................................... 16
Section 2 - Personnel File ............................................................................................................. 16
Section 3 - Expense Reimbursement ............................................................................................ 16
Section 4 - Work Rules .................................................................................................................. 17
Section 5 - Personal Gear .............................................................................................................. 17
Section 6 - COUNTY Provided Gear ............................................................................................ 18
Section 7 - Uniform Allowance .................................................................................................... 18
Section 8 - Hand Tools................................................................. 18
Section 9 - Licenses............................................................... 18

ARTICLE VIII .............................................................................. 19
SELECTION/PROMOTION ................................................................. 19
Section 1 - Job Posting ............................................................. 19
Section 2 - Veteran Preference ............................................... 19
Section 3 - Legal Requirements .............................................. 19
Section 4 - Promotional Preference ......................................... 19
Section 5 - Outside Recruitment/Referral ................................. 20
Section 6 - Lateral Transfers................................................... 20
Section 7 - Probationary Period .............................................. 21

ARTICLE IX ................................................................................. 22
HOURS OF WORK AND OVERTIME ............................................ 22
Section 1 - Workday/Workweek ............................................. 22
Section 2 - Normal Work Schedule ......................................... 22
Section 3 - Employee Work Schedule/Reporting Place ............ 22
Section 4 - Alternate Work Schedules ..................................... 22
Section 5 - Overtime ............................................................... 23
Section 6 - Meal/Rest Periods .................................................. 24
Section 7 - Cleanup Time ....................................................... 24
Section 8 - Call Back/Reporting Time ....................................... 24
Section 9 - Shift Differential .................................................... 25
Section 10 - On-Call Time ....................................................... 25

ARTICLE X ..................................................................................... 27
WAGES ....................................................................................... 27
Section 1 - Salary Range Adjustments .................................... 27
Section 2 - Steps in Compensation Plan ................................. 27
Section 3 - New or Revised Classifications ............................ 27
Section 4 - Salary Protection ................................................... 28
Section 5 - Out of Class .......................................................... 28
Section 6 - Equipment Differential ....................................... 28
Section 7 - Direct Deposit ...................................................... 29
Section 8 - Deferred Compensation ...................................... 29
Section 9 - Minor Payroll Adjustments ................................. 29

ARTICLE XI .................................................................................. 30
LEAVE TIME AND HOLIDAYS ................................................... 30
Section 1 - Holidays ............................................................... 30
Section 2 - Time Management ................................................. 31
Section 3 - Occupational Illness or Injury ............................ 34
Section 4 - Disability Leave .................................................... 34
Section 5 - Substantiation ....................................................... 35
Section 6 - Bereavement ......................................................... 35
Section 7 - Jury Duty .............................................................. 35
Section 8 - Leave of Absence ................................................. 35
Section 9 - Unexcused Absence ............................................. 36
Section 10 - Subrogation ......................................................... 36

ARTICLE XII................................................................................ 37
INSURANCE AND RELATED ...................................................... 37
Section 1 - Types of Insurance ................................................. 37
Section 2 - Health Insurance Plan ......................................... 37
Section 3 - Insurance Enrollment .......................................... 38
Section 4 - Retiree Benefits ..................................................... 38
Section 5 - Personal Property ............................................... 39
Section 6 - ICC Physical Examinations ................................. 39

ARTICLE XIII .............................................................................. 40
SAFETY ....................................................................................... 40
For purposes of this Agreement, the following definitions shall will apply:

**Agreement**: The term "Agreement" shall will mean this Agreement or any letter—memorandum of understanding between the UNION and the COUNTY adopted pursuant to this Agreement or entered into or made effective during the term of this Agreement.

**Bargaining Unit Employee**: The term "bargaining unit employee" shall will mean any COUNTY employee who is a member of the bargaining unit as described in Article 1, RECOGNITION, Section 1.

**COBRA**: The term "COBRA" shall will mean the Comprehensive Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1986.

**Days**: The term "days" shall will mean calendar days. The time in which an act provided for in this Agreement is to be done is computed by excluding the first day, and including the last, unless the last day is a holiday on which the COUNTY is not regularly open for business, and then it is also excluded.

**Designated UNION Representative**: The term "designated UNION representative" shall will mean any UNION officer (President, Vice-President, Secretary, or Treasurer) or any other person who has been designated in writing by a UNION officer as an official UNION representative.

**Eligible and Qualified**: The term "eligible and qualified" shall will mean that any specific requirements of this Agreement, any legal requirements and any other requirements which are binding on the COUNTY, and which are applicable, must be satisfied before a bargaining unit employee shall will receive a benefit of this Agreement.

**Employee**: The term "employee" shall will mean bargaining unit employee.

**Extra Help**: The term "extra help" shall will mean employees who are appointed to COUNTY service on a temporary and/or intermittent basis to cover emergency workloads of limited duration, necessary vacation relief, or other situations involving fluctuating workloads, not to exceed 520 hours in a fiscal year.

**Just Cause**: The term "Just Cause" shall will mean any act of misconduct on the part of an employee, which will reasonably justify the imposition of discipline and further justifies the penalty imposed.

**Labor Relations Manager**: The term "Labor Relations Manager" shall will mean the individual in the position with that name or in a subsequent independent position who serves as the COUNTY's chief labor negotiator. In the event that the COUNTY eliminates the independent position of a chief labor negotiator, this term shall will refer to the person designated by the COUNTY's Administrator to perform this function.

**Letter Memorandum of Understanding**: The term "Letter Memorandum of Understanding" shall will mean any written agreement between the UNION and the COUNTY entered into or specifically made effective during the term of this agreement.

**Non-Probationary Employee**: The term "non-probationary employee" shall will mean a bargaining unit employee who is serving in a regular position and who has been awarded regular status following successful completion of a probationary period.

**Paid Time**: The term "paid time" shall will mean all time for which an employee receives compensation, including work time and paid leave time.

**Part time Employee**: The term "part time employee" shall will mean an employee whose normal work-week is less than forty (40) hours.
**Regular Position:** The term "regular position" shall mean positions which have been approved by the COUNTY Board of Commissioners; which are included in the adopted COUNTY budget; which are budgeted in excess of six (6) months duration and which are for work in excess of twenty (20) hours per week.

**Position:** The term "position" shall mean a group of duties and responsibilities assigned to a single employee.

**Probationary Employee:** The term "probationary employee" shall mean a bargaining unit employee who is serving in a regular position and who is in the process of serving a probationary period.

**Probationary Period:** The term "probationary period" shall mean the length of time a newly hired or promoted employee is on probation.

**Promotion:** The term "promotion" shall mean a change from one classification to another classification, which has a maximum salary more than five percent (5%) higher than that of the previous classification.

**Qualified:** The term "qualified" shall mean satisfaction of the minimum qualifications for the classification for which promotional candidates are being sought. It also includes "special skills" required.

**Retire or Retirement:** The term "retire or retirement" refer to an employee of Lane County who retires for service or disability, and who immediately upon leaving active employment begins receiving retirement benefits under the Public Employee's Retirement System applicable to employees of Lane County.

**Seasonal Employee:** The term "seasonal employee" shall mean a bargaining unit employee who is in a position which has been approved by the COUNTY Board of Commissioners; which is included in the adopted COUNTY budget; which is for work in excess of twenty (20) hours per week, but which is budgeted for less than six (6) months' duration.

**Section:** The term "Section" shall refer to the next smaller recognized work unit than a Division.

**Temporary Employee:** The term "temporary employee" shall mean any bargaining unit employee who is appointed to COUNTY service on a temporary and/or intermittent basis, of not less than 520 hours nor more than 1040 hours in a fiscal year.

**Work Time:** The term "work time" shall mean the time the employee actually spends on compensated work activities.

**Vacancy:** The term "vacancy" shall mean a position within the bargaining unit, which is to be filled on a permanent basis through promotion or outside recruitment.
TA'd PREAMBLE

Section 1 - Purpose

The purpose of this Agreement is to promote mutual agreement and understanding between the parties and to set forth those matters pertaining to rates of pay, hours of work, fringe benefits and other employment relations matters pertaining to employment consistent with the COUNTY’s objective of providing maximized efficiency and services to the public of Lane County.

Section 2 - Applicability

(A) This Agreement is applicable inclusively to bargaining unit employees in the unit heretofore known as Lane County Association Local 626.

(B) It is agreed and understood that this Agreement shall will be limited and applicable only to bargaining unit employees, and only in connection with the performance of work within classifications covered by this Agreement.

Section 3 - Gender

All references in this Agreement designate both sexes, and wherever either gender is used, it shall be construed to include both female and male.

TA'd 3/13/19
ARTICLE I
RECOGNITION

Section 1 - Recognition

(A) For the purposes of collective bargaining with respect to wages, hours, benefits and other employment relations matters, the COUNTY recognizes the UNION as the sole and exclusive representative of all employees classified as indicated in Schedule B, exclusive of persons so employed and classified but in a supervisory or confidential capacity.

(B) Further, part-time employees who work on a year-round basis, but who are regularly scheduled to work 520 hours or less per year shall be considered “extra help” and not be eligible for regular status. Such employees shall also not be eligible and qualified for any rights or benefits under the Agreement which are reserved for regular probationary or non-probationary employees, including but not limited to, advancements within the wage range provided in the Agreement (Article X, Section 2)

(C) SCHEDULE "B": Those employees of Lane COUNTY listed as follows:

Mechanic 1, Mechanic 2, Sr. Mechanic
Park Maintenance 1, Park Maintenance 2, Sr. Park Maintenance
Road Maintenance 1, 2, 3 Worker/Trainee, Operator, Sr. Operator
Solid Waste Worker/Trainee, Operator, Sr. Operator
General Laborer
Public Works Electrician Fleet
Purchasing Specialist
Sr. Fleet Purchasing Specialist
Shop Utility Worker

Section 2 - Division of Labor

Work historically performed by bargaining unit members shall not normally be performed by non-bargaining unit employees. This is not to be construed to change existing practice where, for example, a supervisor or lead worker may perform bargaining unit duties as part of their regular work assignment. Nothing in this section shall be construed as to limit the COUNTY from utilizing other persons to deal with emergency situations.
TA'd ARTICLE II
MANAGEMENT RIGHTS

Section 1 - Retention of Rights

(A) The COUNTY retains all rights respecting decisions and actions affecting the operation and management of its business where not specifically in conflict with this Agreement.

(B) It is agreed that the management of the COUNTY and the direction of the working forces, including but not limited to the right to hire, promote, transfer, assign, suspend, demote, to discharge or otherwise discipline employees; to increase or decrease the working force; to determine the methods, means, personnel and schedules by which the efficiency of government operations entrusted to the COUNTY are to be maintained; to establish, revise and implement safety and health standards; to discontinue all or any part of its operations; to transfer work from the bargaining unit; to determine the need for additional educational courses, training programs, on-the-job training, and cross-training, and to assign employees to such duties for periods to be determined by the COUNTY; to establish new jobs, or eliminate or modify existing job classifications; to adopt and enforce rules, regulations, policies and procedures governing the conduct of its work forces; and to take whatever other action is deemed appropriate by the COUNTY, is vested exclusively in the COUNTY except when specifically in conflict with this Agreement.

Section 2 - Uniform Application

Any rule or procedure issued under Section 1, above, shall be uniformly applied to all affected employees who are similarly situated.

It is recognized that COUNTY may be required to take employment actions pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), Workers’ Compensation, or other federal or state laws, regulations or rules that require exceptions to COUNTY’s basic employment standards. Such required exceptions shall not establish a general employee standard requiring uniform application under these provisions and shall only apply to employees who meet the requirements or standards of the applicable laws, regulations or rules.

Section 3 - Contracting Out

It is the general policy of the COUNTY to utilize its employees to perform work within their current job classifications. However, the COUNTY reserves the right to contract out any work that in its sole discretion it deems necessary. Prior to making its final determination, the COUNTY will notify the UNION in writing, and upon timely written request of the UNION (within 14 days), the COUNTY will negotiate with the UNION pursuant to the provisions of ORS 243.698. In cases of emergencies, as declared by the COUNTY, ORS 243.698 shall not apply.

No employee will be laid off as a direct result of contracting out bargaining unit work until this process has been completed.

Section 4 - Inmate Worker and Volunteer Programs

The COUNTY may utilize the services of inmate labor and volunteers to perform bargaining unit work subject to the following conditions:

(A) No layoff or attrition shall occur in the bargaining unit for the duration of this contract due to the use of the Inmate Worker Program, volunteer groups, or similar programs of its type.
(B) There will be no reduction of COUNTY funds available to the bargaining unit because of any programs of these types.

(C) No bargaining unit employee shall be required to supervise, be supervised by, or work with any inmate labor or volunteer groups involved in a program of these types. Exceptions may be made upon mutual agreement.

(D) Inmate Worker Programs of this type may be expanded beyond bridge cleaning, guard rail cleanup, roadside litter cleanup, median strips, clean-up in roadside plantings, and cleanup in all COUNTY Parks after the procedure specified in ARTICLE XVII, Section 2 has been completed.

(D)/(E) The parties agree that volunteer groups interested in performing work historically performed by the bargaining unit will have their activities subject to prior approval of the COUNTY and the ASSOCIATION. The COUNTY will notify the ASSOCIATION of the volunteer groups’ proposed scope of work and adequate detail of proposed activities. The ASSOCIATION will respond to the inquiry within fourteen (14) days of receipt of notice. Exceptions to the timeline may be made upon mutual agreement.

Section 5 - Exercise of Rights

The COUNTY shall not exercise its rights set forth above for the sole purpose of avoiding the terms of this Agreement.
Section 1 - Fair Share

(A) It shall be a condition of employment that all bargaining unit employees covered by this Agreement shall, on the thirty-first day following employment, either become members of the UNION and shall pay monthly UNION dues and initiation fees, or pay to the UNION that percentage of full dues allowed by law, as their fair share of the cost of representation except as expressly modified in paragraphs (B) and (C) below.

(B) Inasmuch as it is required that the UNION represent every employee within the bargaining unit, each employee is thus a recipient of the UNION’s Services. Therefore, subsequent to the signing of this Agreement and thereafter, an employee who has been employed by the COUNTY in the bargaining unit for more than thirty (30) days but is not a member of the UNION, must proportionally and fairly share in the cost of the collective bargaining process. An amount as specified by the UNION per Section 2(A) of this Article shall be segregated by the UNION and used on a pro rata basis solely to defray the cost of its services rendered in negotiating and administering this Agreement. The UNION shall upon written request rebate fair share deductions in excess of representation costs at least annually.

(C) Any bargaining unit employee who objects to fair share payments on political grounds, ideological grounds or bona fide religious tenets or teachings of a church or religious body of which such employee is a member, will be required to inform the COUNTY and UNION of such objections. The employee will meet with a representative of the UNION and establish a mutually satisfactory arrangement for distribution of a contribution of an amount of money equivalent to the fair share amount to nonsectarian, non-religious charity.

Section 21 - Deduction of Dues and Fees

(A) The UNION shall notify the COUNTY of the current rate of dues, and initiation fees and fair share in lieu fees in a timely manner, which will enable the COUNTY to make necessary payroll deductions as specified below.

(B) The COUNTY shall make three (3) equal deductions from the first three (3) paychecks toward payment of the UNION initiation fee, or payment in lieu of initiation fee.

(B) The COUNTY shall deduct from the second pay period of each month, not to exceed twelve (12) times per year, of all dues paying employees in the bargaining unit, a uniform amount for the payment of UNION membership dues or payment in lieu of dues, to the UNION.

(C) The COUNTY will provide, upon request, to the UNION a list of all members who are having dues deducted.

Section 32 - Dues Transmittal/ Hold Harmless

(A) The COUNTY agrees to remit the aggregate deductions, together with an itemized statement to the UNION, by the first day of the succeeding month after such deductions are made.

(B) The UNION agrees to release fully defend and indemnify the COUNTY and savehold the COUNTY harmless from any liability, claims, suits or proceedings whatsoever in performing its obligations as specified in this Article. Any costs, including attorney fees, expert witness fees, fines or judgments, incurred in the defense of the COUNTY in any legal action or proceeding brought against the COUNTY for implementing or carrying out the provisions of this Article shall be borne by the UNION, including, but not limited to, claims with the Bureau of Labor
and Industry, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, civil litigation and wage claims. Nothing in this section shall be construed as to limit the COUNTY’s obligation to deduct and transmit dues and initiation fees to the UNION.

Section 3 – Orientation of UNION Employees

The COUNTY agrees to notify the UNION monthly of all new employees hired into bargaining unit positions and to provide reasonable time for the UNION representatives to meet with new employees.

TA’d 4/17/19
TA'd ARTICLE IV
UNION RIGHTS

Section 1 - Union Activity

(A) The UNION or its representatives shall have the right to conduct official UNION business on COUNTY property at such times and in a manner which does not interrupt COUNTY operations or efficiency. Nothing herein is to be construed as a right of an employee to leave their station without supervisory approval. The UNION shall conduct all business on other than COUNTY time except as expressly authorized elsewhere in this Agreement.

(B) The COUNTY agrees to furnish bulletin boards to be placed in designated places in each work area. The UNION shall limit the use of such bulletin boards to the posting of notices of general interest and UNION meetings, exclusive of objectionable material, and shall maintain the bulletin boards in good order.

(C) The COUNTY agrees that the designated UNION Representative(s) shall have reasonable access to the premises of the COUNTY for the purpose of ascertaining whether this agreement is being observed. The UNION Representative shall first report their presence and intentions to the Department Director, or designated representative and shall conduct their activities in a manner which avoids loss of time or disruption of operation. All expenses incurred in the application of this provision shall be borne by the UNION unless other arrangements are made with the Department Director.

(D) Employee members of the UNION bargaining team shall not suffer loss in pay while participating in bona fide negotiation sessions between the UNION and the COUNTY, provided, however, that the number of such employees shall be limited to three (3) at any one time.

(E) The UNION shall have access to COUNTY duplication equipment, upon appropriate prior approval, at such times as it is available, at the applicable COUNTY rate. It is understood that COUNTY use shall take priority over UNION use of such equipment. Use shall be by UNION members on their own time.

(F) COUNTY employees have the right to join and participate in the activities of the UNION for the purposes of representation and collective bargaining with the COUNTY on matters concerning employment relations as long as a loss of time or disruption of COUNTY business is not incurred.

(G) The COUNTY agrees that where, in the judgment of the COUNTY, its operations will not be seriously disrupted, it will allow FOUR Executive Board members to attend UNION Executive Board Meetings. It shall be understood that this shall be limited to no more than six (6) meetings per year with a maximum duration of one hundred twenty (120) minutes per meeting.

(H) Any employee subpoenaed as a witness in any Employee Relations Board proceeding shall not suffer any loss of pay or benefits as a result of attending such proceeding.

(I) In accordance with Article 6, Section 3 (E), any employee called as a witness by the UNION in an arbitration proceeding under this Agreement will not suffer any loss of pay or benefits as a result of participating in such proceeding. All costs associated with this time will be borne by the UNION, provided however:

(1) The employee will remain on the COUNTY payroll for the hours spent in arbitration, and

(4)(2) The UNION hereby authorizes the COUNTY, prior to transmittal, to reduce the monthly dues deduction transmittal pursuant to Article 3 of this agreement an amount equal to 150% of the regular hourly rate of the employee for each hour the employee is participating in the arbitration hearing.
Section 2 – County-Union Meetings

From time to time issues of mutual concern will arise which may need discussion between the COUNTY and the UNION. Such discussion, when practicable, shall be held during regular working hours on COUNTY premises and without loss of pay to participating employees, provided that such employees shall not exceed two (2) in number unless otherwise agreed to by the COUNTY. Notice of the prospective topics of discussion shall be furnished with the request for a meeting.

Section 3 - Information

(A) The COUNTY agrees to furnish to the UNION, at no cost, an electronic copy of all regulations, and copies of the Lane Code, Administrative Procedures Manual, Lane Manual and classification specifications, including amendments and additions. The UNION will pay for additional copies of the Lane Code, the Administrative Procedures Manual and the Lane Manual, if needed.

(B) The COUNTY agrees to furnish the UNION, in response to reasonable written requests from time to time, information pertaining to employees covered by this Agreement, which is readily and reasonably available to COUNTY Administration in the regular course of business and not exempt from public disclosure.

Section 4 - Union Business

(B) The COUNTY shall grant one (1) UNION officer two (2) days off per month to conduct UNION business during normal work hours. Such time will be in either full or one-half (1/2) day increments, scheduled in advance and shall be scheduled in such a manner as not to disrupt the normal operations of the Department. The UNION shall notify the Department Director, in writing, which UNION Officer is authorized time off to conduct UNION business.

(C) All costs associated with this time shall be borne by the UNION, provided however:

(1) The UNION officer shall remain on the COUNTY payroll for the hours spent in conducting UNION business, and

(2) The UNION hereby authorizes the COUNTY, prior to transmittal, to reduce the monthly dues deduction from the dues deducted pursuant to Article III of this agreement an amount equal to 150% of the regular hourly rate of the UNION Officer for each hour the UNION Officer is conducting UNION business pursuant to this section.

Section 5 - Protection of Rights

(A) The parties shall not interfere with, restrain or coerce employees in or because of the exercise of rights guaranteed under ORS 243.650 to 243.782 or this Agreement and the COUNTY further agrees not to dominate or interfere with or assist in the formation, existence or administration of the UNION or any successor employee organization.

(B) The parties agree that any acts described within this section constitute Unfair Labor Practices under ORS 243.672 and are subject to appeal and review by the Employment Relations Board pursuant to Oregon Administrative Rules, Chapter 115, Division 35. Therefore, this section is not subject to the Arbitration Provisions (STEP 4) of Article VI-Grievance Procedure of this Agreement and further, if an Unfair Labor Practice charge is filed, any grievance over the issue becomes null and void and the issue shall become subject exclusively to the applicable Oregon Revised Statutes and Oregon Administrative Procedures.
Section 6 - Officers and Stewards

The UNION shall provide a current list of its officers and stewards to the Labor Relations Manager, or designated representative. The UNION shall notify the Labor Relations Manager, or designated representative, of changes to this listing in a timely fashion. The COUNTY shall have no obligation to recognize or deal with any individual as an official representative of the UNION until five (5) days after any notification pursuant to this section.

TA'd 5/15/19
Section 1 - Causes for Discipline

(A) An employee who has completed the probationary period as defined in Article VIII-8 of this Agreement shall not be disciplined or discharged without just cause. In determining whether just cause exists, the following seven tests must be met:

1. Did the COUNTY forewarn the employee of possible consequences of his/her misconduct?
2. Was the rule or order involved reasonably related to the orderly, efficient, and safe operation of the COUNTY?
3. Before administering discipline, did the COUNTY make an effort to discover whether the employee did, in fact, violate or disobey the rule or order?
4. Was the COUNTY's investigation conducted fairly and objectively?
5. In the investigation, did the COUNTY obtain sufficient evidence or proof that the employee was guilty as charged?
6. Has the COUNTY applied its rules, orders, and penalties evenhandedly and without discrimination?
7. Was the degree of discipline reasonably related to the seriousness of the offense and the employee's record?

(B) Disciplinary action shall be accomplished in a manner which affords the employee the most protection possible from embarrassment before other employees or the public.

(C) Discipline shall consist of one of the following:

1. Documented Oral warning
2. Written Reprimand
3. Suspension or Salary Sanction
4. Discharge

(D) Disciplinary action only shall be imposed upon an employee in relation to activities related to the employee's ability to perform his/her duties. Disciplinary action may be taken for activities that take place outside of COUNTY premises on off-duty time only when the employee's ability and effectiveness to perform his/her job duties is impaired.

(E) Disciplinary action or the issuance of a notice of a pre-disciplinary hearing shall take place within fourteen (14) calendar days of the date of occurrence for which action is being taken. Date of occurrence shall mean the date the COUNTY had or should reasonably have had knowledge of the occurrence. Calendar days shall not include any paid leave days.

(F) All documentation must be dated before inclusion in the official personnel file. Coaching and counseling shall be documented in the supervisory file.
Section 2 - Pre-disciplinary Hearing

When the COUNTY intends to take disciplinary action involving discharge, salary sanction or suspension, the COUNTY shall notify the non-probationary employee and the UNION in writing of the charges against the employee and the proposed disciplinary action, and provide the employee with the opportunity to respond to the charges at a hearing with the person or person having authority to impose the proposed disciplinary action. In the event this proceeding is recorded, the COUNTY will provide a copy of the tape recording and/or transcript to the UNION.

(A) The non-probationary employee whose discipline involving discharge, salary sanction or suspension is being considered shall be granted fourteen (14) calendar days or more by mutual agreement to prepare for the disciplinary hearing.

(B) The employee shall be entitled to have a representative of their choosing at the pre-disciplinary hearing.

Section 3 - Effective Date of Discipline

Once an employee has received official notification of any disciplinary action, such action shall be final subject to the grievance procedure, ARTICLE VI of this Agreement.

Section 4 - Extension of Time

Extensions to the time limits shall be permitted under the following circumstances:

(A) The time limits set forth in this article may be extended by mutual agreement.

(B) If the employee, the supervisor or any other directly involved individual is unavailable to properly investigate the incident due to illness or vacation, the time limits specified herein shall be extended by the number of days the individual(s) specified are unavailable.

(C) If the incident(s) giving rise to the potential disciplinary action involve alleged criminal activity, the time limits specified in this article shall commence at the close of any related criminal investigation and/or legal action.

______________________________ TA'd 4/17/19
TA'd ARTICLE VI
GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

Section 1 - Purpose

(A) The purpose of this procedure is to secure, at the lowest possible level, mutually acceptable solutions to grievances which may arise from time to time affecting bargaining unit employees.

(B) Should a disagreement arise concerning the interpretation or application of the provisions of this Agreement, or as to the performance of the obligations herein, such disagreement shall will be settled according to the terms hereinafter provided. An employee, at their discretion, may elect to be represented by the UNION at any step in the procedure.

(C) "Date of occurrence" herein shall will mean the date the aggrieved party had or should reasonably have had knowledge of the occurrence.

(D) Notwithstanding the provisions of Step 1 below, it is understood that the aggrieved party is obligated to attempt to resolve the matter informally; however, for the purpose of preserving time limits, the aggrieved party may formally submit the particulars of the grievance to the applicable supervisor pending conclusion of the informal attempt. Applicable supervisor shall will mean the first supervisory person with the authority to respond with a proposed resolution on behalf of the COUNTY.

Section 2 - Grievance Steps

(A) STEP 1

In accordance with section 1 (D) of this article, the aggrieved party or designated representative will first attempt to informally resolve the issue with the applicable supervisor. In the event such attempt is unsuccessful, the aggrieved party or designated representative will refer the grievance, in writing, to the supervisor within fourteen (14) calendar days of the occurrence of the grievance. The aggrieved party or designated representative shall will investigate the particulars of the grievance and shall will attempt to resolve the issue within seven (7) calendar days of receipt, and furnish a written reply to the aggrieved party within that time period.

The written grievance shall will include:

(1) A statement of the grievance and relevant facts;
(2) Applicable provisions of the contract; and
(3) Remedy sought.

(a) The supervisor shall will respond within seven (7) calendar days.

(B) STEP 2

If the grievance cannot be resolved in Step 1 above, or the supervisor has not responded within seven (7) calendar days, the grievance may be referred in writing no later than fourteen-seven (147) calendar days following the date of occurrence of the grievance to the applicable Division Manager or designated representative who shall will investigate the particulars of the grievance and shall will attempt to resolve the issue within seven (7) calendar days of receipt, and shall will furnish a written reply to the aggrieved party within that time period.

The written grievance shall include:

(1) A statement of the grievance and relevant facts;
(2) Applicable provisions of the contract; and
(3) Remedy sought.

(C) STEP 3

(a) If, after proceeding through Step 2 above, the grievance is still unresolved, the aggrieved
party or designated representative may refer it to the Department Director, no later than thirty (30) calendar days from the date of the Step 2 response or date when said response is due, who shall designate the COUNTY's Labor Relations Manager, or designee, and one other management person to act on their behalf to meet with an equal number of UNION representatives on behalf of the employee for the purpose of reviewing the grievance and making a recommendation to the Department Head for resolution.

(b) Should the COUNTY be the aggrieved party, the matter shall be introduced at this step.

(c) The parties shall meet within thirty (30) calendar days from the date of referral to Step 3.

(d) Any grievance which involves discharge, or is of a class action nature, may be introduced at this step. For purposes of this section, “class action nature” shall refer only to those grievances that directly impact a significant group or class of employees and which the employees’ immediate supervisor(s) does not have the authority to adjust.

(e) The COUNTY shall furnish a written statement of their position within fifteen (15) calendar days from the step 3 meeting.

(D) **STEP 4**

If the Committee is unable to reach a consensus regarding a resolution or the Department Director fails to accept the recommendation of the committee, the matter may be referred to an arbitrator for final determination, provided that such referral shall take place within thirty (30) calendar days from the COUNTY's Step 3 response.

**Section 3 - Arbitration**

(A) In the event the respective representatives of the COUNTY and the UNION cannot agree to the selection of an arbitrator within eight (8) calendar days, final selection shall be accomplished with one party, to be determined by lot, first striking off one of the five seven (57) names submitted by the State Mediation and Conciliation Service and thereafter the parties alternately striking names until one name remains.

(B) The arbitrator shall have no authority to add to, subtract from, alter, modify, amend, vacate or change any terms or conditions of this Agreement, to substitute their judgment for that of either party in any instance where the parties have exercised their rights under the terms of this Agreement, nor shall the arbitrator decide on any condition which is not specifically treated in this Agreement.

(C) The Award of the Arbitrator may or may not include back pay provided, however, that any back pay award shall not be in excess of the amount of salary actually lost during the period from fourteen (14) days prior to the filing of the grievance and the date of implementation of the arbitrator's award less any compensation that the employee actually received, including unemployment compensation. The back pay limitations provided for in this paragraph shall apply, if the cause of the back pay liability is the COUNTY's failure to provide the information required pursuant to ARTICLE IV, Section 3 of this agreement.

(D) The decision of the arbitrator shall be submitted within thirty (30) calendar days following the presentation of the case, and such decision shall be final and binding on both parties.

(E) The COUNTY and the UNION agree that the loser of the arbitration shall pay the full expenses and arbitration fees of the arbitrator only; the COUNTY and the UNION shall assume individual liability for the cost of their respective witnesses.

(F) The arbitrator shall identify the losing party in the arbitration hearing and so state in the written decision to both parties.

(G) Whenever possible, the UNION shall provide at least seventy-two (72) hours advance notice
Section 4 - General Provisions

(A) All meetings and hearings under this procedure shall be kept informal and private, and shall include only such parties in interest and/or designated representatives as referred to in this Article.

(B) All information relative to the grievance and resolutions accomplished via the procedure shall be considered exempt from public disclosure to the extent allowed by law.

(C) The UNION shall designate authorized representatives as provided in Article IV, Section 6 to act as Stewards in the investigation and processing of grievances on behalf of the UNION and shall notify the COUNTY of any changes in such authorization.

(D) All grievance proceedings and reasonable investigation time, where practicable, shall be held during the regular work hours, on COUNTY premises and without loss of pay or recrimination to the aggrieved party and one designated representative. It is understood that the COUNTY shall not incur overtime liability as a result of such proceedings or investigation. Time used for investigation of grievances must be requested in advance and approved by the employee's immediate supervisor. The supervisor shall not unreasonably deny any such request.

(E) A grievance may be terminated at any time upon receipt of a signed statement from the employee, or duly designated representative, stating that the matter is no longer an issue. A grievance settlement without UNION concurrence shall not prejudice any position taken by the UNION during the grievance proceedings. A grievance that has been withdrawn by the employee may not be further pursued. The parties agree to document any grievance settlement.

Section 5 - Time Limits

(A) Any time limit in this procedure may be extended for reasonable cause by mutual agreement and be binding on both parties. Such agreement, when practicable, shall be done via email. Failure by the aggrieved party and/or designated representative to properly observe time limits as stated without such agreement shall cause the grievance to become null and void. A grievance settled pursuant to this paragraph shall not constitute a precedent for any future grievance.

(B) Should the appropriate management personnel fail to respond to the grievance at any level within the time limits prescribed, exclusive of the provisions of paragraph (A) above, the grievant may immediately appeal to the next higher step in the procedure.
ARTICLE VII
GENERAL PROVISIONS

Section 1 - Employee Information

(A) The COUNTY agrees to furnish each new employee of the bargaining unit pertinent information regarding benefits.

(B) The COUNTY agrees to make readily accessible to employees copies of Departmental Manuals.

(C) The UNION agrees to provide an initial supply of twenty-five (25) copies of this Agreement to COUNTY and COUNTY agrees to distribute copies to new employees. If additional copies of this agreement are required during the term of this Agreement, COUNTY shall request such additional copies from the UNION.

Section 2 - Personnel File

(A) The COUNTY shall maintain records relative to each employee’s performance, promotion, discipline, substantiated, unfounded or exonerated complaints and other matters relative to the status of an employee, such records collectively to be referred to as the Personnel File. There shall only be one (1) official Personnel File and that file shall be maintained in Human Resources. The official Personnel File shall be available to the employee and their designated representative for review and copying. Upon request, the employee will be furnished with a copy of documents in the Personnel File and will be charged the current established rate for copies in excess of ten (10) pages.

(B) Employees shall be made aware of all documents placed in their Personnel File. Any member of the bargaining unit who disagrees with the content of a document which is critical of the employee placed in their Personnel File may prepare a written rebuttal and have such rebuttal document placed in their Personnel File provided that such documentation be submitted to Human Resources via the Department Director within fourteen (14) calendar days of the date stated on such negative document. Employees shall further have the right to add job-related documents pertinent to their employment to their Personnel File provided that such documentation be submitted to Human Resources via the Department Director. The Department Director must submit said documentation to Human Resources within five (5) days of receipt.

(C) It shall be understood that any document added to an employee’s official Personnel File, without the employee’s knowledge, shall not be considered against the employee in any action affecting said employee.

Section 3 - Expense Reimbursement

(A) Employees required by the COUNTY to remain overnight outside their immediate area of residence shall receive reasonable reimbursement of actual expenses incurred for lodging and meals, provided however, that reimbursement for meals shall not normally exceed the rate granted in the Administrative Procedures Manual, unless prior approval is secured from the Department Director.

(B) Receipts for lodging expenses are to be turned in with the report of expenses incurred. Receipts for meals shall not normally be required.

(C) Employees required to use personal vehicles in the performance of job duties, or who are required to work at a location other than their established reporting place, shall be reimbursed mileage
expenses at the then current rate as established by the Board of County Commissioners.

(E) At the discretion of the employee, an optional non-receipted expense reimbursement of fifty-five ($55) dollars per diem per twenty-four (24) hour period for meals and lodging may be granted by the COUNTY in lieu of (A) and (B) of this Section.

(F)(D) Employees required to attend conferences, seminars or training sessions, outside the COUNTY, shall be entitled to reimbursement of meal expenses when such meals are not provided as part of the conferences, seminars or training sessions subject to the following:

(1) Breakfast: When the employee must leave his/her residence for traveling to the conference, seminar or training session location more than one (1) hour in advance of his/her normal departure time.

(2) Lunch: When the conference, seminar or training session spans the employee’s normal lunch break or when the conference, seminar or training session ends immediately before or starts immediately after the employee’s normal lunch break.

(3) Dinner: When the employee must travel from the conference, seminar or training session located more than two (2) hours after his/her normal quitting time to reach his/her residence.

(G)(E) Employees shall exercise good judgment and particular regard for economy while traveling or incurring reimbursable expenses in connection with COUNTY business. Any expense for which an employee requests reimbursement will be accompanied by a receipt and should directly and clearly relate to the conduct of COUNTY business.

(H)(F) The amounts provided for as expense reimbursement under this Article shall not be less than those established by the Board of County Commissioners and listed in the Administrative Procedures Manual.

Section 4 - Work Rules

The COUNTY shall furnish the UNION a copy of all work rules and regulations in writing in a timely manner. The COUNTY will make copies available to all employees.

Section 5 - Personal Gear

(A) The COUNTY shall provide non-probationary and promotional probationary employees three hundred dollars ($300) annually for work-related personal gear, such as gloves, boots and rain gear. Eligible employees shall receive one hundred and fifty dollars ($150) the first paycheck following March 1 and one hundred and fifty dollars ($150) the first paycheck following September 1.

(B) The COUNTY shall provide non-probationary and promotional probationary employees who regularly work on chip sealing and paving crew an additional fifty dollars ($50) annually for the excessive wear on their boots. Eligible employees shall receive fifty dollars ($50) on the first paycheck following September 1.

(C) Employees who complete the probationary period between payment dates shall receive a pro-rated amount based upon the number of full months between the time they complete the probationary period and the next payment date.
(D) The COUNTY may require that employees wear such work-related personal gear.

(E) Questions concerning the adequacy of work-related personal gear shall be referred to the Department's Safety Committee. The decision of the Department's Safety Committee shall be binding on the COUNTY and the employee.

Section 6 - COUNTY Provided Gear

(A) The COUNTY will provide any required special gear, such as hip boots, chest waders, rubber gloves, and metatarsal guards, which is required for special work activities. The COUNTY shall maintain at all times, the functional quality of protective gear or equipment furnished by the COUNTY.

(B) All special gear must be returned to the COUNTY in reasonable condition following use. Employees shall be charged the then current replacement rate for equipment or gear not so returned.

Section 7 - Uniform Allowance

When the COUNTY requires employees to wear uniforms, the COUNTY will provide the employee with the uniform.

Section 8 - Hand Tools

The COUNTY shall continue to issue appropriate hand tools as deemed necessary by the COUNTY for the performance of the job, provided, however, that such tools shall be used for COUNTY business only and that the employee shall be charged the then current replacement rate for tools not returned in reasonable condition.

Section 9 - Licenses

(A) Employees shall provide and maintain current any licenses required as a general condition of employment in their classification at their own expense.

(B) The cost of any special licenses or endorsements required of employees for their special job, but not normally required of their classification, shall be borne by the COUNTY. Special licenses shall include hazardous materials, tank vehicle and double/triple trailer endorsements to the Commercial Drivers License (CDL).

(C) An employee who fails to maintain a license that is required as a general condition of employment in his/her classification or who has a license suspended may, at the sole discretion of the COUNTY, be removed from his/her position until the employee obtains or regains the license. If the employee’s license in revoked, suspended or becomes otherwise invalid for a period of ninety (90) calendar days or less, the employee may use any and all applicable earned leave, if available, for the time the employee is off the job, if any.
Section 1 - Job Posting

(A) Each vacant bargaining unit position, except those filled by lateral transfer, shall will be posted for employment applications.

(B) Vacant positions within the bargaining unit, which would be a promotional opportunity for at least three (3) regular, non-probationary bargaining unit employees shall will be posted for promotional applications only for a period of at least seven (7) days. In this case, the recruitment shall will proceed as provided in Sections 2 and 3 below.

(C) The COUNTY shall will be immediately free to recruit from outside the bargaining unit for all vacant positions at the entry level or where the vacancy would be a promotional opportunity for less than three (3) regular, non-probationary bargaining unit employees without first posting for promotional preference. In this case, regular, non-probationary bargaining unit employees who apply for the position as a promotion within the posting period shall will still be eligible for promotional preference as provided in Sections 2 and 3, below.

Section 2 - Veteran Preference

The UNION and the COUNTY agree that veteran preference applies to all positions represented by UNION when a competitive process is being followed, whether a job is posted internally or externally. Further, the UNION and the COUNTY agree that all veterans who meet the minimum qualifications and any special qualifications will receive an employment interview.

Section 3 - Legal Requirements

The COUNTY and the UNION both recognize that there may be a legal requirement to place an employee into a position due to the reinstatement rights of an injured worker, an employee returning from military or other protected leave, a court order, an accommodation under the Americans with Disability Act, or similar mandated rights that may take precedence over the provisions of this Article.

Section 4 - Promotional Preference

Regular, non-probationary, bargaining unit employees who complete an official employment application during the in-house posting period specified in Section 1(B), above and who meet the minimum qualifications for the classification shall will be eligible for promotional preference for all bargaining unit positions, subject to the following:

(A) A minimum of three (3) eligible applicants apply for the position during the in-house posting period above.

(B) Promotional preference eligibility shall will be based on: (a) meeting the minimum qualifications for the classification and (b) scoring at least seventy (70) points on an examination and/or supplemental questionnaire as determined by the COUNTY to be appropriate for the vacant position. The weight of a questionnaire and/or examination will be one hundred (100) points.

(C) All employees who achieve a score of at least seventy (70) points will receive seniority points at the rate of two (2) points for each full six (6) months of employment up to a maximum of sixty (60) points (15 years of service).

(D) All employees on layoff status shall will be given an opportunity to apply for any bargaining unit
vacancy in any classification which has a salary range above that of their previous classification and for which they are qualified. When applying for the vacant bargaining unit position, the employee on layoff status shall be eligible as an in-house candidate, subject to the provisions above.

(E) The examination will be offered for each vacant, posted position. Any bargaining unit employee who has taken the examination for a previous vacancy in the same classification and Division as the current vacancy within the previous six (6) months may elect to submit their previous score to compete for the current vacancy.

(F) All internal applicants that meet the promotional preference as specified above in Section 4 (B) and all internal veterans who meet the minimum qualifications and special qualifications, shall be referred to the appointing authority for an employment interview.

Section 5 - Outside Recruitment/Referral

(A) If three (3) or more bargaining unit candidates qualify for promotional preference, only bargaining unit candidates will be referred for an employment interview up to a maximum of five (5) candidates.

(B) If fewer than three (3) qualified employees apply for promotion and receive a score of seventy (70) points on the examination or Supplemental Questionnaire, the COUNTY shall be free to recruit candidates from outside the bargaining unit. Promotional candidates who scored a minimum of seventy (70) points on the examination and/or supplemental questionnaire shall be placed in the list of potential candidates in the order of their total score as determined by Section 2 (C), above. Other promotional candidates who meet the minimum qualifications for the classification shall be placed in the list of potential candidates in the order of their score on the examination and/or supplemental questionnaire only. The top five (5) candidates from all sources and all veterans who meet the minimum qualifications and special qualifications shall be referred to the appointing authority for an employment interview.

(C) If one (1) or more candidates for an authorized, budgeted 1040-hour temporary or seasonal position served in the same position within the preceding twelve (12) months, AND if the performance was considered successful by COUNTY and documented as such, THEN the COUNTY may fill the position directly with the candidate without posting a recruitment announcement and without a competitive process.

(D) The appointing authority may select any one of the candidates referred.

Section 6 - Lateral Transfers

(A) Lateral transfers may generally only be made from one authorized position to another within the same classification.

(B) Lateral transfers will only be considered when a position becomes vacant unless there are two (or more) transfer candidates who can "trade" positions.

(C) If an employee is interested in being considered for lateral transfer, he/she may submit a written request for lateral transfer, clearly explaining the employee’s interests, to the manager of the Division to which transfer is desired. The request must be received before a position is posted in order for a transfer to be considered.

(D) When an opening occurs in the appropriate classification, transfer candidates shall be interviewed for the position before the position is posted.

(E) Divisions are not required to fill a position with a transfer candidate. They may elect to post the
Section 7 - Probationary Period

(A) The probationary period is an integral part of the employee selection process and provides the COUNTY and the probationer an equal opportunity to observe each other to determine the desirability of a continued working relationship. As part of the selection process it likewise provides each with an equal opportunity to discontinue that working relationship at any time during the established probationary period.

(B) The COUNTY reserves the right, as part and parcel of the selection process, to reject any probationary employee during the initial probationary period without recourse, if in the COUNTY’s opinion such rejection is in the best interest of the COUNTY. In the event of the rejection of a probationary employee, the COUNTY shall provide such employee two (2) weeks prior to the effective date of such rejection, or at the option of the COUNTY, shall provide two (2) weeks’ pay in lieu of such notice.

(C) New employees employed in classifications represented by the UNION shall serve a probationary period of twelve (12) continuous months worked in that classification.

(D) This Section shall apply to part-time bargaining unit employees as follows:

(1) Part-time bargaining unit employees who are regularly scheduled to work year-round between 520 and 1,040 hours per year in positions which otherwise meet the definition of “regular employee” under the terms of this Agreement shall serve a probationary period of 520 hours worked or six (6) months, whichever is longer.

(2) After completion of the probationary period, such employees shall be considered non-probationary employees for the purpose of determining rights and benefits under the Agreement, except that they shall not be considered eligible and qualified for insurance benefits provided under Article XII of the Agreement.

(E) Employees who are transferred from one position to another, but do not change classification, shall not serve a probationary period.

(F) Employees who are promoted to another classification shall serve a new six (6) month probationary period. Such employees, who fail, as determined by the COUNTY, to satisfactorily meet the requirements of the new position or classification, at any time during the probationary period, shall be returned to the previously held position or classification in the former department. Employees rejected in probation shall not be eligible to compete for a position in the same classification within the same section for a period of eighteen (18) months.

(G) Notwithstanding (F) above, employees who move into the Road Maintenance Trainee or the Solid Waste Trainee classification will serve a new twelve (12) month probationary period. Such employees who fail, as determined by the COUNTY, to satisfactorily meet the requirements of the new position or classification, at any time during the probationary period, will be laid off from COUNTY employment and will have recall rights to their previously held classification for a period of two (2) years, so long as the employee met the probationary period of the previously held position.

(H) Any probationary employee not notified of performance deficiencies noted during the first one-half (1/2) of the probationary period may assume such performance has been acceptable to date. It is understood that such acceptable performance does not presume continued employment for the balance of the probationary period.
TA’d ARTICLE IX
HOURS OF WORK AND OVERTIME

Section 1 - Workday/Workweek

The workday is defined as twenty-four (24) hours commencing at 2200 hours. The workweek is defined as seven (7) consecutive workdays in the calendar week commencing at 2200 hours on Friday and ending at 2159 hours on the following Friday.

Section 2 - Normal Work Schedule

An employee will normally receive two (2) consecutive days off, but not necessarily in the same workweek.

Section 3 - Employee Work Schedule/Reporting Place

(A) It is recognized that the COUNTY may, from time to time, find that changes in individual or operational work schedules and/or reporting place are in the best interest of governmental operations. It is agreed that the COUNTY may make such changes, provided that except in the case of emergency, the COUNTY shall will notify the affected employee ten (10) calendar days prior to implementation of such changes. An employee may waive the ten (10) day notice requirement. Such waiver shall will be in writing.

(B) Temporary work schedule and/or reporting place changes for the purpose of meeting statutory requirements shall will not be subject to the provisions of this Section. Emergency is defined as any unforeseeable circumstance or situation requiring the presence of personnel to conduct COUNTY business as deemed necessary by the COUNTY.

(C) Work schedules and/or reporting place shall will not be temporarily changed for the purpose of avoiding the wage provisions of this Agreement.

(D) It is understood that employees shall will not have the privilege of selecting work schedules and/or reporting place; however, the COUNTY shall will make a good faith attempt to avoid making change in working schedules which result in an expressed undue hardship to affected employees, and will, within operational limitations, consider requests for shift and/or reporting place preference. The COUNTY shall will have the final decision in all cases.

(E) Employees shall will report to their permanent regular place of reporting so as to begin work at the designated starting time and shall will return to their reporting place so as to be off work by the designated quitting time.

Section 4 - Alternate Work Schedules

(A) In the event the COUNTY initiates work schedule changes resulting in a change in the number of days per week or hours per day, to be worked, the COUNTY shall will include with the notice an explanation of any changes in overtime calculations.

(B) An employeeEmployees may submit a written request to his/her supervisor for a permanent or semi-permanent change in work hours and/or workdays of his/her work schedule. Such requests may provide for a four (4), ten (10) hour day or a four (4), nine (9) hour day and one (1), four (4) hour day.

(C) When an employee works an alternate work schedule pursuant to (A) or (B) above, all hours worked pursuant to the schedule shall will be considered regular hours and not subject to the
overtime provisions of this agreement. It is agreed that in no event shall an employee be required to work more than forty (40) straight time hours in the workweek.

(D) The granting or denial of any request for an alternate work schedule shall be at the sole discretion of the COUNTY and shall not be subject to the grievance and arbitration provisions of this agreement.

Section 5 - Overtime

(A) When the COUNTY requires employees to work overtime, the following shall apply:

(1) Authorized overtime work shall be compensated by cash payment at the rate of one and one-half (1-1/2) times the regular hourly rate. If the employee and the department agree, an equivalent credit of compensatory time off may be given in lieu of the paid overtime.

(2) Except as modified by Section 4 above, all work performed in excess of eight (8) hours in any one workday, or forty (40) hours in any workweek, shall be considered overtime work.

(3) The COUNTY shall be the sole judge as to the necessity, requirement and qualifications of personnel to work overtime. The COUNTY agrees to recognize and consider seniority in regards to overtime assignments.

(4) It is understood that for the purposes of overtime calculations, employees working shifts, which overlap workdays, shall be assumed to have completed their shift on the day in which it commenced.

(5) Overtime shall be compensated only once for the same hours worked.

(6) Overtime shall be calculated to the nearest one-quarter (1/4) hour worked.

(7) Any employee, having worked on each of seven (7) consecutive days, shall be paid at the rate of two (2) times the regular straight time for all work performed on such seventh (7th) day.

(B) Compensatory time off will generally be approved at the mutual convenience of the employee and the COUNTY with the intent to avoid extensive accumulations of compensatory time.

(C) If, in the opinion of the Department Director, an employee is not exercising good judgment and is building excessive compensatory time accumulations, the employee may be scheduled to take the accumulated time off and be required to use any additional compensatory time earned within the pay period in which it is earned.

(D) In order to maintain reasonable compensatory time off balances, on the first paycheck in December of each calendar year, any compensatory time greater than forty (40) hours will be paid in cashout, the Department Director may review all balances and he/she may elect to pay off out excessive balances rather than scheduling the employee to take time off pursuant to paragraph (C) above. At other times, an employee may request cash payment for earned compensatory time off. All such payment shall be one (1) hour pay for each hour of compensatory time converted, at the employee's normal straight time rate.

(E) Any unused accumulated compensatory time off shall be paid in cashout at the time of termination or transfer to another division.

(F) At the request of the UNION, three (3) UNION representatives shall meet with an equal number of COUNTY representatives to make a good faith effort to resolve overtime issues regarding six
Section 6 - Meal/Rest Periods

(A) Employees shall be allowed one (1) rest period of fifteen (15) minutes' duration in each one-half (1/2) shift, which insofar as is practicable, shall be in the middle of each half-shift, such time to begin when the employee leaves their work station, and to end when the employee returns to their work station.

(B) Employees who are required to work beyond their regular quitting time shall be allowed a fifteen (15) minute rest period before commencing overtime work provided that it can be reasonably foreseen that such overtime will exceed two (2) hours' duration.

(C) Unpaid meal periods shall not be less than thirty (30) minutes, nor more than one (1) hour in duration.

(D) Employees whose work schedule requires one-half (1/2) or more of their shift to be during the night shift shall receive a paid meal period not to exceed one-half (1/2) hour in duration and shall be subject to call by the COUNTY.

(E) Employees required to work in excess of two (2) hours beyond their regular scheduled shift shall be granted a minimum of one-half (1/2) but not more than one (1) hour paid meal period. It is understood that the duration of such periods shall be determined by the COUNTY.

Section 7 - Cleanup Time

Employees shall be afforded fifteen (15) minutes prior to the conclusion of the workday for the purpose of clean-up and preparation of personal work gear for the next day.

Section 8 - Call Back/Reporting Time

(A) Except as follows in this section, an employee who is called back to work prior to their next scheduled shift shall be guaranteed a minimum of four (4) hours' work.

(B) During periods of emergency sanding and snowplow operations, 7:00 PM will be the cut-off time in determining employee shift change time vs. call back time. If emergency sanding and snowplow operations are required and employees are informed prior to 7:00 PM, it will be considered shift change time. If employees are informed after 7:00 PM, it will be considered call back time. For purposes of this provision, the term "emergency" is defined as an ice and/or snow event which could not be accurately predicted far enough in advance to implement the normal work schedule change procedure described in Section 3 (A) of this Article.

(C) With regard to weather-related and/or similar "emergency" situations where the need to change schedules cannot be predicted in advance, but specifically excluding the sanding/snowplowing operations addressed in Paragraph (B) above:

(1) If an employee is notified prior to the end of their regular shift that their schedule is to be changed for their next shift, it will be considered a shift change for emergency reasons and will not result in standby or call out pay. Overtime pay will only apply if the employee was assigned to work beyond the end of the newly scheduled shift.

(2) If an employee is called out after the end of their shift and more than four-three (43) hours prior to their next scheduled shift, it shall be considered call out and the employee will be guaranteed four-three (34) hours of workpay.

(3) If an employee is called out four-three (43) hours or less before the start of their next shift, the employee will work the call out hours in addition to their regular shift and be eligible for
overtime. An employee who has been called out may request a shift change in order to leave work before the end of their regular shift, in which case they will only be paid for the actual hours worked. However, if a supervisor sends an employee home prior to the end of their regular shift, the employee will receive their regular pay including overtime, through the end of their regular shift.

For purposes of this provision, the term "emergency" is defined as an unforeseeable circumstance or situation requiring the presence of personnel to conduct COUNTY business as deemed necessary by the COUNTY.

(D) An employee who reports for work as scheduled and upon reporting finds no work available shall be guaranteed a minimum of four (4) hours' pay at the applicable straight or overtime rate. It is understood that this provision shall not apply if such employee has previously been told not to report for work.

(E) It is also understood that the provisions of this Section are applicable only to the extent that such employees accept any work available.

Section 9 - Shift Differential

(A) Day shift shall be any shift commencing subsequent to 6:00 a.m. and ending prior to 6:00 p.m.; and the night shift shall be any shift commencing subsequent to 6:00 p.m. and ending prior to 6:00 a.m.

(B) Probationary and Non-Probationary regular employees whose work assignment is the night shift shall receive an additional three percent (3%) over their regular hourly rate of pay, subject to the following:

1. If an employee works at least one-half (1/2) of their regular work assignment within the night shift, they will receive shift differential for their entire work shift.

2. If an employee works less than one-half (1/2) of their regular work assignment within the night shift, they will receive shift differential for a minimum of one-half (1/2) of the total hours of their work shift.

3. If an employee works on a special short duration work assignment which involves any length of time within the night shift, they will receive shift differential for their entire work shift.

4. Shift differential shall not be paid when an employee is on overtime on the day shift and works into the night shift. Shift differential shall continue to be paid when an employee is on overtime on the night shift and works into the day shift.

5. Shift differential shall not be paid when an employee is on a four (4) day, ten (10) hour work schedule and less than two (2) hours of their regular work shift extends into the night shift period.

Section 10 - On-Call Time

No bargaining unit employee shall be required to accept work-related phone calls after normal working hours; nor be available for work or assignment on a standby basis, except as follows:

(A) The Electrician may be required to be available for work or assignment on a continual standby basis where necessary for COUNTY operations. Continual standby shall not exceed one month in duration with at least one (1) month between periods of continual standby except that the employee may waive these limitations in order to provide coordinated emergency coverage. The COUNTY shall pay the Electrician three hundred dollars ($300) ten ($10) dollars per month as compensation when the employee is required to be on continual standby.
(B) Any bargaining unit employee may be required to be available for work or assignment on an occasional standby basis for expected emergency conditions or for effective COUNTY operations. When requiring employees to be on standby, the COUNTY shall pay such employees one (1) hour regular wage per day as compensation for standby time. If the individual is called to work, they will be paid for the actual hours worked at the applicable straight or overtime rate in addition to the one (1) hour regular wage per day as compensation for standby time.

(C) As an alternative to Section 10 (B), when requiring an employee to be on standby, the COUNTY may pay the employee out-of-class pay as a Lead Worker for all hours worked for the duration of the assignment, not to exceed fourteen (14) consecutive days or fourteen (14) days in a twenty-eight (28) day period, and provide the employee with an appropriately equipped COUNTY take home vehicle for the duration of the assignment. Under this alternative to Section 10 (B), the employee shall not receive the one (1) hour regular wage per day as compensation for standby time and shall be paid only the actual hours worked at the applicable straight or overtime rate beginning with phone contact calling the employee to work. Prior to any out-of-class assignment, the Division manager shall, in cooperation with the Human Resources Analyst, ensure the employee meets the minimum requirements for the higher classification.

(D) Except for calls or digital communication received from a supervisor or manager in response to an oversight of the employee or being offered or notified of work, an employee who receives a phone call or digital communication during off duty hours for the purpose of questions or inquiries on work-related subjects shall be compensated for a minimum of one-half (1/2) hour at the applicable straight or overtime rate. If a phone call or digital communication exceeds one-half (1/2) hour in duration, the employee shall be compensated for the actual time of the call or digital communication exchange.
ARTICLE X10
WAGES

Section 1 - Salary Range Adjustments

(A) The salary range for each presently established job classification is set forth in Schedule C.

(B) Effective the first full pay period following ratification and approval by the Board of County Commissioners, current bargaining unit employees that were on the payroll on or after July 1, 2016, the date of ratification/approval, will receive a three-one and one half percent (31.5%) cost of living adjustment and the pay ranges shall be changed to reflect the increase.

(C) Effective the first full pay period following July 1, 2017, compensation for each presently established job classification will be increased by two percent (2%).

(D) Effective the first full pay period following July 1, 2018, compensation for each presently established job classification will be increased by two percent (2%).

(E) Effective the first full pay period following July 1, 2019, and upon ratification and approval by the Board of County Commissioners, employees in the classifications of Shop Utility Worker and Fleet Purchasing Specialist, will move to the newly negotiated pay grade. Effective upon ratification and approval by the Board of County Commissioners employees will be placed at the step closest in pay to their current step which does not result in a decrease in pay. Employees who are on step one (1) or two (2) as of July 1, 2019 will have their merit date reset to June 30, 2020.

(F) Effective upon ratification and approval by the Board of County Commissioners, employees in the classifications of Road Maintenance Worker/Operator/Senior Operator and Solid Waste Worker/Trainee/Operator/Senior Operator will be placed at the step closest in pay to their current step which is no less than a five percent (5%) increase in pay. Employees who are on step one (1) or two (2) as of July 1, 2019 will have their merit date reset to June 30, 2020.

(G) Employees on the payroll the first full pay period following ratification and approval by the Board of County Commissioners will receive a one-time payment equivalent to one and one half percent (1.5%) of their newly negotiated base wage rate for paid hours between July 13, 2019 and the last day of the full pay period prior to ratification/approval.

Section 2 – Steps in Compensation Plan

(A) The compensation plan shall be based on a eight (408) Step schedule in the manner shown on Schedule CB.

(B) The anniversary date for any employee to move between steps of the compensation plan shall occur at twelve (12) month intervals provided the employee has achieved a “competent” (“satisfactory”) or better rating on their performance evaluation.

(C) In the event an employee's evaluation is not completed within thirty (30) calendar days of when due, the following pay period the employee shall advance to the next higher step.

Section 3 - New or Revised Classifications

Should the COUNTY establish a new, or substantially modify an old or existing classification, the following shall apply:
(A) A proposed wage rate shall be established by the COUNTY, and provided to the UNION.

(B) The rate proposed by the COUNTY shall be deemed as agreeable to the UNION at the end of two (2) calendar weeks from the date of notice above unless the UNION requests negotiations for over the proposed wage rate within that same period.

(C) Should the UNION request to negotiate over the proposed wage rate, the procedures established in Article XVII, Section 2 shall apply.

(D) No new or modified classification shall become effective until such time as both the UNION and the Board of County Commissioners ratify the permanent regular wage rate.

Section 4 - Salary Protection

No employee shall have his/her salary reduced because of the establishment of a new or by substantially modifying an existing classification pursuant to Section 3 of this Article.

Section 5 - Out of Class

(A) An employee temporarily assigned by a supervisor from a job at a lower rate of pay to a job classification at a higher rate of pay for a period in excess of one (1) hour an entire shift shall be paid at the higher rate in accordance with normal promotional policy for all work performed in the higher classification, provided that the employee is qualified to perform the higher classified work and that such assignment is not for training purposes. It is agreed that employees shall not be assigned in a trainee status solely for the purpose of avoiding the provisions of this section.

(B) All assignments in training shall be as provided for in the Operator Training Program as provided for in Article XIV, TRAINING, of this Agreement.

(C) It shall be understood that whenever the COUNTY identifies the need to employ extra help, the current regular staff will be given the opportunity to work out of class in the position identified for extra help. In this case, working out of class assignments will be made subject to the following:

1. Assignments will only be made within the division.
2. Employee qualifications, including certification, will be determined by the COUNTY.
3. Employees may reject the assignment.
4. The COUNTY is not required to provide a ten (10) day notice of change of the reporting place.
5. The COUNTY may terminate the working out-of-class assignment for inability to perform.
6. Working out-of-class assignments shall be for the duration of the project; however, if an employee terminates assignment, the COUNTY may fill the position with extra help.
7. Eligibility for these assignments will apply only to regular, non-probationary employees.
8. No significant disruption of COUNTY operations.

(D) Any RM-2 operating and transporting the Knuckleboom Packer shall be paid out of class as an RM-3. Employees who are assigned by a supervisor to perform duties associated with emergencies or winter events, as determined by the Division Manager, such as, but not limited to, snow plowing, ice response or flooding, will receive a three percent (3%) differential for the duration of the assignment.
Section 6 - Equipment Differential

The COUNTY agrees to pay an additional five percent (5%) above their normal straight time hourly rate to employees while operating the following pieces of equipment:

(A) Mobile Crane
(B) Pit Cat at Glenwood
(C) Asphalt Screed
(D) Asphalt Zipper (Zipper Ground Controller)
(E) Large Distributor
(F) Striper Operator in charge while striper is in operation
(G) Excavator Operator
(H) Operator in charge of Crack Sealing Crew
(I) Short Mountain Heavy Equipment (Crawlers, Compactors and Excavators)
(J) Snow Removal
(K) Sanding
(L) Striper Truck Driver while striper is in operation
(M) Chip Spreader (Main Operator)
(N) Grader Operator
(O) Gradall Operator in charge of crew (multiple truck/more than 3 people)

For Snow Removal and sanding only, differential will be paid for the entire shift when an employee is called out prior to their normal start of shift.

Section 7 - Direct Deposit

(A) All employees hired subsequent to March 1, 2001 shall have their payroll transmitted via direct deposit. Employees may view their payroll information on Employee Self-Service.

(B) Employees hired before March 1, 2001 may elect to continue to receive their payroll check via the status quo or via direct deposit. Election of direct deposit is, thereafter, irrevocable.

(C) Employees whose payroll is subject to direct deposit may opt to continue to receive a payroll advice comparable to that which is provided under the status quo.

(D) Direct deposit may be made to an unlimited number of financial institutions at any one time.

(E) Payroll subject to direct deposit will normally be available in the morning of the Friday on which the payroll is disbursed to employees.

Section 8 - Deferred Compensation

(A) For employees in regular positions the COUNTY will continue to contribute three percent (3%) of the employee’s PERS subject wages into the COUNTY-sponsored deferred compensation account.

(B) It shall be the responsibility of the employee to assure that his/her account does not exceed the maximum allowed under IRS rules.

Section 9 - Minor Payroll Adjustments

The UNION agrees that the COUNTY may make minor adjustments to an employee’s wages, up to a maximum dollar amount of twenty five dollars ($25.00) per pay period, not to exceed six (6) pay periods, without receiving the employee’s written agreement in advance of the change. This is intended to allow
626 Agreement

2016-2019
2019-2022

for payroll correction to rate of pay and/or number of hours paid that might result in an error to an employee’s payroll check.
ARTICLE XI
LEAVE TIME AND HOLIDAYS

Section 1 - Holidays

(A) The following days shall be recognized and observed as paid holidays subject to the provisions of paragraphs (A) and (B) of this Section:

- New Year’s Day
- Labor Day
- President’s Day (3rd Monday in February)
- Veteran’s Day
- Memorial Day (Last Monday in May)
- Thanksgiving Day
- Independence Day
- Christmas Day
- Martin Luther King’s Birthday (3rd Monday in January)

(B) Qualifications

The above COUNTY holidays are to be paid holidays, but only for eligible and qualified employees. For the purposes of this Article, an eligible and qualified employee shall mean any non-probationary or probationary regular employee who:

1. Reports for work on their last scheduled work day prior to, and first scheduled work day following, the holiday, and
2. Whose scheduled work day or paid leave prior to or following the holiday falls within two (2) calendar days of the holiday.

(C) Holiday Pay

1. Full time eligible bargaining unit employees shall be compensated for each holiday as follows:

   a. When a bargaining unit employee has requested and is regularly working on an alternate work schedule while other employees within the same division are working a five (5) day, eight (8) hour work schedule shall have the option of reverting to a five (5) day, eight (8) hour schedule on a week including a holiday or of remaining on the alternate schedule and using two (2) hours of accrued Time Management or compensatory time to supplement the eight hours of holiday time off.

   b. When bargaining unit employees are required by the COUNTY to work a four (4) day, ten (10) hour work schedule or all of the bargaining unit employees within the Division are on a four (4) day, ten (10) hour schedule, the eligible employees’ shall receive ten (10) hours compensation for the holiday.

2. Part time eligible bargaining unit employees shall be compensated for holidays on a pro rata-rata basis using the percentage of full time the employees’ hours paid in the previous two (2) pay periods as a base.

3. Compensation for holidays shall be as per the following:

   a. Pay for each holiday which falls on a day the employee otherwise would work.
(b) In addition to compensation under (a) above, an employee required to work on a holiday shall receive one and one-half (1-1/2) times the regular straight time rate for all work performed on the holiday. If the employee requests, alternate time off with pay at a mutually convenient time shall be granted in lieu of (a) above.

(4) Employees called to work on the holiday, but who do not report, shall forfeit holiday pay unless such absence is excused.

(D) Holidays on Day off

Whenever a holiday shall fall on an employee's scheduled day off, the last normal workday before the holiday or the first normal workday following the holiday (whichever is closer) shall be designated as the holiday. Whenever the holiday falls equally between workdays, the last workday before the Holiday shall be designated as the holiday.

(E) Holiday During Leave

Should an employee be on authorized paid leave when a holiday occurs, such holiday shall not be charged against such leave or vacation.

(F) Friday Following Thanksgiving

The Friday following Thanksgiving, though not to be construed as a holiday for pay purposes, shall be considered a day off with pay except for those employees required by the COUNTY to report for work. Employees so required to work shall be given an alternate day off at the mutual convenience of the COUNTY and the affected employee. The alternate day must be taken between the Friday following Thanksgiving and by the end of the fiscal year.

Section 2 - Time Management

(A) Purpose

It is the purpose of the employee time management program to provide employees with a leave with pay program that is easy to understand, minimizes impact to COUNTY operations, is responsive to individual needs, and easy to administer.

(B) Eligibility

This program covers all regular probationary and non-probationary employees in the bargaining unit. Employees covered by these provisions shall not be eligible for separate leave benefits covering the following:

(1) Family Emergency;
(2) Vacation Leave;
(3) Sick Leave (non-occupational illness or injury leave, excluding disability leave);
(4) Personal Holidays

(C) Accumulation

(1) Eligible employees whose most recent hire date is on or before December 31, 2015 shall accumulate earned leave, based on full-time status, at the following rates:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Months of Service</th>
<th>Earned Leave</th>
<th>Bi-Weekly Earned Leave Accumulation</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>0-24 mos. (0-2 yrs.)</td>
<td>23.0 days/yr.</td>
<td>7.077 hrs./pay period</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
(2) Eligible employees whose most recent hire date is on or after January 1, 2016 shall accumulate earned leave, based on full time status, at the following rates:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Months of Service</th>
<th>Earned Leave</th>
<th>Bi-Weekly Earned Leave Accumulation</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>0 - 12 mos. (0 to 1 yr.)</td>
<td>20.0 days/yr.</td>
<td>6.154 hrs./pay period</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>13 - 24 mos. (1 to 2 yrs.)</td>
<td>23.0 days/yr.</td>
<td>7.077 hrs./pay period</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>25 - 48 mos. (2 to 4 yrs.)</td>
<td>26.0 days/yr.</td>
<td>8.000 hrs./pay period</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>49 - 108 mos. (4 to 9 yrs.)</td>
<td>29.0 days/yr.</td>
<td>8.923 hrs./pay period</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>109 - 168 mos. (9 to 14 yrs.)</td>
<td>32.0 days/yr.</td>
<td>9.846 hrs./pay period</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>169 - 228 mos. (14 to 19 yrs.)</td>
<td>35.0 days/yr.</td>
<td>10.769 hrs./pay period</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>229 - 288 mos. (19 to 24 yrs.)</td>
<td>38.0 days/yr.</td>
<td>11.692 hrs./pay period</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>289 mos. + (24 + yrs.)</td>
<td>41.0 days/yr.</td>
<td>12.615 hrs./pay period</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

(D) Part Time Employees

Eligible, part-time employees shall accrue and use time off under this program on a pro rata basis, based upon the percent of full time equivalence authorized for the position.

(E) Existing Vacation

(1) Employees with an existing vacation balance will have the option of charging leave to either the vacation balance or the time management balance.

(2) Upon the termination of an employee, or in the event of the death of an employee, the employee's vacation balance shall be paid in cash.

(F) Usage

During the course of the year, absences from work for any reason other than on-the-job illness or injury covered by Worker's Compensation, disability leave as provided for in Section 4 of this Article, or paid holiday shall be charged against the employee's accrued leave balance. Earned leave shall accrue whenever an employee is on pay status with the COUNTY. Employees do not accrue earned leave when on leave without pay.

All accrued time management and compensatory time will be used prior to requesting leave without pay, this includes approved FMLA and/or OFLA leaves.

(G) Maximum Accumulation

An employee may accumulate earned leave, excluding the separate vacation balance, if any, to a maximum of twice (2x) their annual time management accumulation. As of the end of the pay period in which March 31 falls in each year, any employee credited with accrued leave greater than twice (2x) their annual leave accumulation shall forfeit that amount above their maximum accumulation. An employee who has acquired the maximum allowable accumulation of earned leave may continue to accumulate earned leave for the balance of the year in which
the maximum accrual was reached, provided, however, that the employee must take sufficient earned leave to reduce the accumulation to the maximum allowable prior to the following March 31 or forfeit the excess.

(H) Termination

Upon the termination of a non-probationary employee, the employee's accrued time management leave balance as of the date of termination shall be converted into pay at the rate of one (1) hour for each two (2) hours of accrued time management leave.

(I) Death

In the event of the death of a non-probationary employee, all accumulated earned leave shall be paid to the employee's personal representative at the current rate of pay.

(J) Scheduling

(1) Employees shall, whenever possible, request time-off in advance by at least fifty percent (50%) of the requested time off. Use of such leave must be scheduled between the employee and the COUNTY. When an employee is sick or an emergency occurs requiring their presence elsewhere, the employee must notify their supervisor as soon as possible prior to the start of the employee’s shift, unless circumstances prevent the employee from doing so. If there is a situation that requires the employee to leave their worksite after the start of their scheduled shift, the employee shall notify their supervisor prior to leaving the workplace as appropriate per workgroup (examples include, but are not limited to: in-person, phone call, email, or text message).

(2) Substantiation of illness, injury or emergency may be required by the COUNTY when a pattern of excessive use of time management without prior supervisor approval interfering with operations has been documented. Failure to provide satisfactory substantiation may result in disciplinary action pursuant to Article V5, DISCIPLINE AND DISCHARGE, of this Agreement.

(3) Supervisors shall respond in a timely fashion to written requests for leave. Requests for leave shall be deemed to be approved if not denied within fourteen (14) days of receipt for requests submitted more than two (2) months ahead, within seven (7) days for requests submitted two (2) weeks to two (2) months ahead, and within fifty percent (50%) of advance time for requests submitted less than two (2) weeks ahead. All leave requests shall be on a first come, first served basis.

(2)(4) Leave shall be scheduled by the COUNTY based primarily upon the needs of efficient operation, the availability of relief, and being responsive to the needs of the employee to use earned leave. Employees shall be responsible for planning and initiating requests for leave. Supervisors will make a good faith effort to accommodate all leave requests. Requests made more than one (1) week in advance or fifty percent (50%) of the time off requested, whichever is greater, will be granted under normal circumstances, provided that the number of employees gone simultaneously is not excessive. For purposes of the Section, the phrase “normal circumstances” is not intended to apply to periodic times of high workload demands, but intended to apply to consistent workloads that are quite heavy as result of layoffs or other general staffing shortages.

(K) Conversion

(1) Employees may sell accrued time management hours subject to the following restrictions:

(a) The maximum number of time management hours that can be converted into cash compensation paid out in a calendar year cannot be greater than the number of hours taken in that same calendar year or eighty (80) hours whichever is the lesser.
(b) The time management leave hours must be either scheduled or used prior to the conversion of any accrued management time hours.

(2) Subsection (1) above notwithstanding, during the last three (3) years prior to retirement, employees may sell up to two hundred (200) hours per year of their annual leave accrual at the current rate of pay. Extensions of an employee's scheduled retirement date notwithstanding, no employee will be entitled to this benefit in more than three (3) years.

(L) Layoff/Recall

(1) Employees laid off may sell back up to a maximum of eighty (80) hours of time management on a one to one basis, including any time management they may have already sold back in that year, regardless of whether or not they have taken or scheduled eighty (80) hours of time management,

(2) Employees who are recalled from layoff may buy back, within six (6) months of recall, all or part of their previous time management balance at the rate in effect at the time they are recalled at the same ratio at which they were cashed-paid out.

Section 3 - Occupational Illness or Injury

In the event of a leave of absence due to an illness or injury covered by Workers Compensation, the following shall apply:

(A) Employees in regular positions with less than six (6) months of service who sustain an injury or illness compensable by Workers' Compensation and who are unable to perform their assigned duties will be paid the difference between their regular salary and compensation benefits for lost time at the rate of one (1) day per month of employment.

(B) Non-Probationary employees in regular positions with more than six (6) months of service who sustain an injury or illness compensable by Workers' Compensation and who are unable to perform their assigned duties will be paid the difference between their regular salary and compensation benefits for lost time for the first ninety (90) calendar days of the employee's on-the-job illness or injury. Such time shall not be charged against any earned leave balance.

(C) Employees under this section shall have the option of giving their full Workers' Compensation check to the COUNTY and receiving their regular salary.

(D) In addition to employees serving in regular positions, section 3 (A) and (B) shall apply to part-time bargaining unit employees who are regularly scheduled to work year round between 520 and 1040 hours per year in positions which otherwise meet the definition of “regular employee” under the terms of this agreement.

(E) In addition to employees serving in regular positions, section 3 (A) shall apply to Employees working in an extra help or seasonal capacity, up to a maximum of three (3) days per occurrence.

Section 4 - Disability Leave

(A) After completion of six (6) months of employment if a non-occupational illness or injury exceeds eighty (80) hours elimination period, the COUNTY will provide compensated time off at the regular rate of pay for the first two (2) weeks of disability, or any part thereof; at ninety percent (90%) for the next two weeks or any part thereof; at eighty per cent (80%) pay for the next two (2) weeks, or any part thereof; at seventy percent (70%) for the next two weeks, or any part thereof; and at sixty-six and two-thirds percent (66-2/3%) for any remaining disability period. All disability leave pay is less any workers compensation benefits for which the employee may be entitled following
the eighty (80) hour elimination period until the employee is released to return to work up to a maximum of ninety (90) calendar days from the first day of absence. Time management leave used during the first eighty (80) hour elimination period will be charged against the employee’s time management leave balance. If an employee returns to work, but is then off for the same illness or injury within the ninety (90) day period, the time off shall will be charged to disability leave as provided for in this paragraph. However, an employee whose disability leave exceeds two weeks beyond the elimination period thereby becoming eligible for a reduced percentage of pay, will offset the reduction from their regular pay by charging time to their accrued time management. (Pregnancy is exempted from the six month waiting period.

(B) Once an employee has received benefits under this provision, he/she the employee will not be eligible to use time management leave again until he/she has returned to work and subsequently suffered another illness or injury.

(C) It is understood that disability leave for any reason shall will not exceed that period during which the employee is in fact physically unable to return to work, as substantiated by the employee’s physician.

(D) Employees who are on disability leave shall will not accrue Time Management.

Section 5 - Substantiation

It is understood that any time off on disability leave pursuant to Section 4 of this Article may require substantiation to the satisfaction of the COUNTY prior to compensation. Failure to provide satisfactory substantiation will result in denying compensation and may result in disciplinary action pursuant to Article V, DISCIPLINE AND DISCHARGE, of this agreement.

Section 6 - Bereavement

Non-probationary employees shall will be reimbursed for lost work as a result of a death in the employee’s immediate family to a maximum of three (3) work days (need not be consecutive) pay, or if out-of-state travel is required, one (1) work week weeks’ pay, at the regular straight time hourly rate. The COUNTY may require verification of the family status. Immediate family shall will be defined as mother, father, spouse, Registered Domestic Partner, domestic partner (affidavit on file), parent of a domestic partner, sister, brother, child (biological, adopted, foster, step-child, or the child of an employee’s registered domestic partner), grandparent, grandparent-in-law, grandchild, stepmother, stepfather, father-in-law, mother-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, parent of registered domestic partner, a person with whom the employee is or was in a relationship of in loco parentis or any other relative residing in the employee’s immediate household. Leave must be taken within thirty (30) days of the death. An employee may also be entitled to OFLA bereavement leave. This OFLA bereavement runs consecutively to COUNTY paid bereavement leave and is unpaid unless the employee elects to use time management. OFLA bereavement leave must be taken within sixty (60) days of the death and only for those individuals recognized by OFLA as immediate family.

Section 7 - Jury Duty

An employee called for jury duty, or subpoenaed as a third party or state's witness in any municipal, County, state or Federal Court shall will, upon receipt by the COUNTY of all fees paid to the employee for such service, be reimbursed for loss of wages incurred as a result of such service. Employees called for jury duty on a day when they are not scheduled to work shall will be allowed to retain fees paid to the employee by the court for such service. The COUNTY shall will not change an employee's normal work shift because of jury duty.

Section 8 - Leave of Absence

(A) Leave of absence for good cause may be granted by the COUNTY provided that such leaves do
not significantly disrupt normal COUNTY operations. Good cause shall include, but not be limited to, the following reasons:

Jury Duty  
Death in the Family  
Military Service  
Medical Reasons  
Peace Corps Service  
Union Business

(B) Leaves of absence shall be without pay except as specified elsewhere in this Agreement.

(C) No payment for any leave of absence shall be made until such leave has been properly approved. Requests for such leaves shall be in writing and applicable upon written receipt of approval from the appropriate appointing authority stating the terms and conditions of the leave.

(D) With the exception of military active duty, Peace Corps, and UNION leave granted in accordance with Article IV, Section 1(F), a leave of absence without pay may not exceed ninety (90) calendar days, subject to extension on approval of the County Administrator.

(E) An employee who has been granted a leave of absence and who, for any reason, fails to return to work at the expiration of said leave of absence, shall be considered as having resigned, and the position shall thereupon be declared vacated; except and unless the employee, prior to the expiration of the leave of absence, has furnished evidence of inability to return to work by reasons of sickness, physical disability, or any other legitimate reason acceptable to the COUNTY beyond the control of the employee, and has received approval for an extension of such leave.

(F) Military leave with pay may be extended to an employee who has been employed for six (6) months or more and who is a member of the National Guard or of any reserve component of the Armed Forces, for a period not to exceed fifteen (15) calendar days or eleven (11) work days in any military fiscal year whichever is less.

Section 9 - Unexcused Absence

Absence of an employee from duty, including any absence for a single day or part of a day, which is not authorized by a specific grant or leave of absence under the provisions of this Agreement, shall be deemed to be an unexcused absence without pay and subject to disciplinary action, including discharge.

Section 10 - Subrogation

Any employee who sustains any illness or injury and continues to receive their regular wages from the COUNTY shall be obligated to return to the COUNTY any payment they may receive reimbursing them for lost wages from a third party(ies). For example, if the employee is a victim in a motor vehicle accident and recovers lost wages from a third party(ies) or the third party's(ies) insurance carrier, the employee must reimburse the COUNTY for the disability wages paid to them by the COUNTY. In addition, it is recognized that the COUNTY has a right to initiate or join any proceedings against a third party(ies) to seek reimbursement of disability wages.
TA'd ARTICLE XII
INSURANCE AND RELATED

Section 1 - Types of Insurance

The COUNTY agrees to cover its eligible and qualified regular probationary and non-probationary employees with certain insurance protection and related programs. Should the costs of such programs increase during the life of this Agreement, or if new or improved benefits are instituted as a result of legislative action, such cost increase shall will be covered by the COUNTY whenever such charges become effective. The COUNTY agrees to notify the UNION at least thirty (30) days prior to implementing any changes in any insurance or related benefit, unless such change is beyond the COUNTY's control. Upon request, the COUNTY will meet with the UNION to explain such changes.

(A)
1. Employee and dependent health insurance, with major medical services, also known herein as the “Co-Pay” plan, or, at the option of the employee, a “High Deductible Health plan”, with a Health Savings Account or a Health Reimbursement Arrangement (HRA), known herein as the "HDHP" for employees whose most recent hire date is on or before December 31st, 2015.

2. Employee and dependent health insurance, with major medical services, also known herein as the Prime Plus (“Prime+”) Plan, or, at the option of the current employee, a High Deductible Health plan known herein as the "HDHP" for employees whose most recent hire date is on or after January 1, 2016.

(B) Employee and dependent dental insurance.

(C) Employee accidental death and dismemberment term life insurance in the amount of $25,000 or one times annual salary, whichever is the greater;

(D) Employee long-term disability insurance to provide sixty six and two thirds percent (66-2/3%) of gross income after ninety (90) days of disability, not to exceed the limits of the plan, ten thousand dollars ($10,000) gross or six thousand six hundred sixty seven dollars ($6,667) net per month;

(E) The employee and dependent vision plan will be modified to include one vision examination per year annually for those eighteen (18) and under and every other year for those nineteen (19) and older.

Eligible and qualified regular part-time employees hired after July 1, 2003, who are regularly scheduled to work between twenty (20) and thirty (30) hours per week will receive employee-only health, dental and vision exam insurance. Such employees may elect to self-pay for purchase of dependent coverage under COUNTY's group plan.

Section 2 – Health Insurance Plan

(A) Effective January 1, 2017, the following changes will be made to the health insurance plans:

(1) Employees whose most recent hire date is on or before December 31, 2015 will have the choice between the Co-Pay Plan, the Prime Plus Plan and a high deductible health medical plan with a health savings account or health reimbursement arrangement (the “HDHP Plan”).

(2) Effective January 1, 2017 under the Co-Pay Plan the co-pay for professional services will increase to thirty-five dollars ($35) co-pay/visit.

(3) Employees whose most recent hire date is on or after January 1, 2016 will have the
choice between the Prime Plus ("Prime+") Plan, or a high deductible major medical plan with a health savings account or health reimbursement arrangement (the "HDHP Plan").

(4)(3) For all employees who complete the annual "Live Well" Health Risk Assessment (LWHRA), which includes and the biometric screening, health history and risk assessment questionnaire and comprehensive health review, offered by the COUNTY, the COUNTY will provide a "Live Well" credit of twenty dollars $20 monthly to the employees’ health contribution cost.

(5)(4) For all employees who elect the "HDHP" plan the employee’s monthly contribution will be twenty dollars ($20.00) dollars per month.

(6)(5) For all employees who elect the Prime+ Plan, the employee’s monthly contribution will be as follows: Employee Only = thirty dollars ($30.00); Employee + Other (Children/Spouse/Domestic Partner) = fifty dollars ($50.00).

(7)(6) For all employees who elect the Co-Pay Plan, the employee’s monthly contribution will be as follows: Employee Only = fifty dollars ($50.00); Employee + Other (Children/Spouse/Domestic Partner) = seventy dollars ($70.00).

(8)(7) For all employees who elect the HDHP plan, the COUNTY will deposit an amount equivalent to the annual deductible, based on their enrollment as individual ($1500) or family ($3000), into the employee’s health savings account or health reimbursement arrangement within the first five (5) business days following January 1 for calendar years 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022.

(9)(8) For employees who are recalled to a regular position and are eligible for benefits, the employee’s most recent hire date prior to layoff will be used to determine which benefit plans they are eligible to enroll in.

(B) Opt Out

(1) The County will offer an “opt out” provision for employees who determine that they do not require medical and vision insurance coverage through the County plans.

(2) The monthly amount that an employee would receive is $350.00 in lieu of medical and vision insurance coverage. This amount will be one hundred seventy five dollars ($175.00) for eligible part time employees hired on or after July 1, 2019 or ratification and approval by the Board of County Commissioners of this Agreement. Employees who are already covered under COUNTY insurance through another eligible participant will not be eligible for the opt-out provision.

(3) The employee will be required to provide proof of other coverage at the time of the declination of County medical and vision exam insurance, and is required to have continuous medical coverage.

(C) UNION agrees to maintain an assertive duty to support plan design changes as may be necessary to keep the highest year to year premiums increases at or below ten percent (10%) during the term of this Agreement.

Section 3 - Insurance Retirement Enrollment

The COUNTY agrees to enroll each eligible and qualified employee in the following programs:

(A) The Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) or the Oregon Public Service Retirement Plan (OPSRP) and the COUNTY shall will pay the employer’s contribution.
The COUNTY will contribute the employee’s six percent (6%) to the Individual Account Program (IAP) administered by PERS.

(B) The Social Security System (FICA), for enrollment purposes, only.

Section 4 - Retiree Benefits

(A) Upon retirement, all employees hired on or before July 1, 1987 and who have worked ten (10) full, continuous years prior to age seventy (70) shall be eligible for COUNTY-paid health insurance and may transfer from the active group to the retired group.

(B) Upon retirement, all employees hired after July 1, 1987 and before July 1, 1997, and who have worked twenty (20) full, continuous years prior to age seventy (70) will be eligible for COUNTY-paid health insurance and may transfer from the active group to the retired group.

(C) Retired employees eligible for COUNTY health insurance under this provision either on a COUNTY-paid or self-pay basis are also eligible to purchase COUNTY health insurance in the retired group for their dependents.

(D) To qualify for retirement and be eligible for COUNTY-paid medical insurance, an employee must meet the COUNTY service requirement in subsection (A) or (B) above and be receiving a PERS pension, or meet COUNTY service requirements and be eligible for and receiving disability benefits under PERS or Social Security.

(E) An employee who has otherwise qualified for health benefits pursuant to this section, but is between the ages of 54 and 55, and is laid off pursuant to ARTICLE XVI 16 of this Agreement, shall be entitled to immediately begin receiving the retiree health insurance benefits to which he/she would otherwise be entitled pursuant to this section.

(F) Employees hired on or after July 1, 1997, shall not be eligible for COUNTY-paid retiree health insurance benefits.

(G) In order to provide an early retirement alternative to employees who have met the length of service requirement, but who do not meet the age requirement for PERS retirement benefits, such employees must continuously self-pay their Lane County medical insurance premium for the period of time until age eligible and drawing PERS. Upon eligibility for PERS retirement, the employee will be eligible for COUNTY paid Retiree Medical benefits. Failure to collect PERS benefits as soon as eligible will disqualify the employee from COUNTY paid benefits and will terminate this option.

Section 5 - Personal Property

Loss or damage to personal property shall be compensated for by the COUNTY, provided that:

(A) the employee would reasonably be expected to be wearing or carrying the property in question in the performance of his/her job duties;

(B) such loss or damage occurs during the course of employment;

(C) the loss was not the fault of the employee;

(D) this provision does not apply to personal vehicles, jewelry, personal cell phones or similar items.

Section 6 - ICC Physical Examinations

An employee required to maintain a Commercial Driver’s License (CDL) shall have the option of going to a provider designated by the COUNTY at no expense to the employee or of going to a provider of the employee's own choice at their own expense and being reimbursed in an amount not to exceed the.
amount the COUNTY would pay had the employee gone to the provider designated by the COUNTY, as mandated by law for legally required Interstate Commerce Commission (ICC) Physical Examinations.
Section 1 - Safety Policy

The COUNTY acknowledges an obligation to provide a safe and healthy environment for its employees. Likewise, the UNION recognizes an obligation on behalf of employees to conform to established safety rules and regulations and that failure to conform to such rules and regulations shall be subject to disciplinary action, which may include discharge.

Section 2 - Safety Committee

The COUNTY shall maintain a Public Works and a COUNTY-wide Safety Committee. The chairperson of the Public Works Safety Committee shall be appointed by the Director of the Department of Public Works. The Chairperson shall vote only in case(s) of a tie. The UNION shall be represented on the Public Works Committee by two (2) representatives and on the COUNTY-wide Committee by one (1) representative, appointed by the UNION. For the Public Works Safety Committee, the Director of Public Works shall appoint departmental representatives equal in number to the total number of UNION representatives for all affected bargaining units.

Section 3 - Committee Functions

The Committee shall perform the following primary functions:

(A) The Committee shall recommend minimum health and safety standards regarding working conditions to the Director of Public Works.

(B) The Committee shall recommend appropriate training programs on safety.

(C) The Committee shall be empowered to make recommendations on safety issues.

(D) The Committee shall function as a sub-committee, the Accident Review Board Committee (ARC). The Committee shall have the authority to investigate accidents and make appropriate recommendations.

Section 4 - Meeting Schedule

The Committee shall meet at least once per month during regular work hours. Meetings shall be scheduled at such times and in a manner that all business can be conducted during regular work hours. At no time shall the Committee have authority to alter, modify, amend, vacate, supersede or change any terms or conditions of this Agreement.

Section 5 - Employee Responsibility

It is further understood that employees have an obligation not to perform an unsafe act which may cause injury to the employee or another. Employees shall suffer no disciplinary action as a result of refusing to perform such unsafe acts.

Section 6 - Personal Protective Equipment

(A) The COUNTY will provide necessary personal protective equipment, including coveralls, hardhats, hearing protectors, gloves and safety vests. When such protective equipment is provided, the COUNTY may require that employees use the equipment.
(B) The COUNTY will provide non-prescription safety glasses where required. The COUNTY will pay up to fifteen dollars ($15.00) once every two (2) years toward prescription safety glasses.

(C) Any personal protective equipment or special gear must be returned to the COUNTY in reasonable condition following use. Employees shall be charged the then current replacement rate for equipment or gear not so returned. Any County-issued personal protective equipment with reasonable wear may be returned to the COUNTY for replacement.
Section 1 - Support

The COUNTY understands and supports the concept of training for bargaining unit employees. Training may include operator training, safety training, first-aid training, supervisory training, seminars, classroom courses and other types of training, which meets COUNTY needs.

Section 2 - Required Training

When an employee is required by the COUNTY to take work-related training, the employee will be granted release time with pay for such training if it occurs during working hours. When a non-exempt employee is required to take work-related training during non-working hours, the employee shall be granted overtime pay or compensating time off subject to Article IX, HOURS OF WORK AND OVERTIME. For the purposes of this provision, overtime shall include authorized time spent in travel. Appropriate costs for such training shall be borne by the COUNTY.

Section 3 - Employee Interest

The COUNTY will provide an opportunity for bargaining unit employees to express a written interest in training. COUNTY needs and employee interest will be considered as training programs are developed.

Section 4 - Training Committee

After a new training program is initiated, the Training Committee shall meet at least annually to review program status and consider the need for program adjustments. Either UNION or COUNTY may request additional meetings of the Training Committee which shall be scheduled at a mutually convenient time by the Training Coordinator, provided that neither party shall be obligated to participate in meetings more often than quarterly unless mutually agreed by the parties.

Meetings of the Training Committee shall be held during regular COUNTY business hours.

Section 5 - Trainee Selection

The selection of employees for training will be based on the needs of the COUNTY and the desires and seniority of the employees.

Section 6 - Division Training

Any COUNTY division can furnish its employees additional training as the division management deems necessary, provided that, whenever possible, seniority will be considered.

Section 7 - Compensation and Benefits While Training

Employees shall not be entitled to out-of-class claims while training. Employees must provide their own transportation to the training location and any change to work location or schedule for training will not be considered a change of conditions requiring a written ten (10) day notice.

Section 8 - Transfer After Training

Employees who request and are provided training by the COUNTY may be required by the COUNTY to transfer to a position where the employee's new job skills will be effectively utilized.
Section 9 - Commercial Driver's License (CDL) Training

The COUNTY will cover the costs of training through an outside CDL training vendor for employees required to obtain a CDL, consistent with their classification, with the following provisions:

(A) If an employee voluntarily separates within two (2) years of obtaining their CDL, the employee will reimburse the COUNTY a prorated amount of the cost of the training, based on the length of service after receiving the CDL. Employees receiving this training will authorize the COUNTY to deduct the reimbursement amount from their final paycheck deduction and/or seek reimbursement by other means.

If the employee fails to obtain their CDL during the course of the training, any costs associated with retaking the test will be borne by the employee.

Section 9-10 - Training Proposals

(A) An employee, group of employees, or the UNION on behalf of the members of the bargaining unit may present a training proposal to the Human Resources Office.

(B) The COUNTY’s Training Coordinator shall review and consider all proposals submitted pursuant to this section.

(C) Upon request of the UNION, the Training Coordinator shall meet with the UNION and a reasonable number of affected employees to discuss the training proposal. Such meeting shall be held at a time and place mutually agreeable to the Training Coordinator and the UNION.

(D) The Training Coordinator shall respond in writing to the UNION regarding the training proposal.
TA'd ARTICLE XV15
SENIORITY

Section 1 - Definition

(A) Except as provided in Paragraph (B) of this Subsection, seniority is defined as the relative position of an employee in relation to other employees based on most recent date of continuous classified employment within the Bargaining Unit, uninterrupted by voluntary quit, discharge or resignation, provided that in the event of an unpaid leave of absence beyond ninety (90) calendar days other than military, Peace Corps, or UNION leave granted in accordance with this Agreement, the actual time of leave shall be deducted from the employee’s length of continuous service. Bargaining unit employees promoted or transferred out of the bargaining unit shall have right of return including bumping rights and have their frozen bargaining unit seniority restored only until they have completed their probationary period in the non-bargaining unit position.

(B) For positions in the Fleet Purchasing Specialist series, seniority is defined as the relative position of an employee in relation to other employees in the series based on most recent date of continuous classified employment with COUNTY, uninterrupted by voluntary quit, discharge or resignation, provided that in the event of an unpaid leave of absence beyond ninety (90) calendar days other than military, Peace Corps, or UNION leave granted in accordance with this Agreement, the actual time of leave shall be deducted from the employee’s length of continuous service.

Section 2 - Continuous Service

Continuous service shall be employment unbroken by separation from the COUNTY service, other than by military, Peace Corps, vacation, paid disability leave or UNION Leave in accordance with Article IV, Section 1(F). Time spent on other types of authorized leave will not count as time of continuous service, except that employees returning from such leave, or employees who were laid off, shall be entitled to credit for service prior to the leave or layoff. The application of Seniority shall be as provided for in Section 1 of this Article.

Section 3 - Seniority List

Employees shall be added to the seniority list upon completion of the probationary period, indicating seniority as provided in Section 1, above, from the date of hire with Lane County.

(A) The COUNTY shall furnish to the UNION, upon request, a current seniority list quarterly.

(B) In the event of a tie in length of service, seniority will be established by using Month month of birth. The employee born in the earlier Month month of the year shall receive seniority preference.
TA’d ARTICLE XVI
LAYOFF AND RECALL

Section 1 - Layoff

(A) Employees with the least seniority within the job classification and series shall be subject to layoff first. It shall be understood that initial probationary, extra help and temporary employees within the affected classification series shall be removed from COUNTY employment before a layoff of regular employees occurs. If approved by the COUNTY, an employee may elect to be subject to layoff even though their seniority may be greater than that of an employee scheduled for layoff.

(B) Notwithstanding Paragraph (A), above, in the case of layoffs in the Fleet Services Division, employees in Mechanic 2 and Senior Mechanic positions shall be subject to layoff without consideration of job classification on the basis of seniority only.

(C) Employees subject to layoff shall be given written notification at least fourteen (14) calendar days in advance of the effective date of layoff.

Section 2 - Bumping Rights

(A) Should a layoff or elimination of a position occur, the employee with the least seniority within the affected classification shall move to a lesser classification in the same series provided that the employee’s seniority is greater than that of any employee in the lesser classification. Then the least senior employee or employees displaced would have the same right to move to the next lower classification in the same series.

(B) In case of layoffs in the Parks Division, employees in the Sr. Park Maintenance classifications shall have bumping rights to the Road Maintenance 2 classification and employees in the Park Maintenance 2 classification shall have bumping rights to the Road Maintenance 1 classification on the basis of seniority.

(C) In case of layoffs in Road Maintenance, employees in the Road Maintenance (2 & 3) classifications shall have bumping rights to the Park Maintenance 2 classification on the basis of seniority.

(D) In the case of layoffs in the Fleet Services Division, employees shall have bumping rights as per Attachment B-A on the basis of seniority.

Section 3 - Recall

(A) Layoff status employees shall be recalled in order of seniority within the job classification and series from which they were laid off, provided that such recall shall not result in a promotion from the position the employee held at the time of layoff.

(B) Prior to any outside recruitment, employees on layoff status shall be given preference in filling bargaining unit vacancies not filled by promotion. Employees shall be recalled pursuant to this section in accordance with their seniority provided they possess the necessary skills, ability and fitness to perform the requirements of the vacant position and such recall does not result in a promotion.

(C) Order of recall preference shall be as follows:
   1. Recall to former classification.
   2. Recall to lower position in same classification series.
3. Recall pursuant to 3 (B) above

4. Compete for positions as per Article VIII-8 of this Agreement.

(D) An employee who accepts recall to a lower classification \textit{shall will} retain recall rights to their original classification or original hours in accordance with Sections 3(A) and 3(B) of this Article.

(E) An employee who accepts recall to a non-bargaining unit position \textit{shall will} retain recall rights in accordance with Section 3(A) of this Article.

(F) An employee \textit{shall will} not be required to accept recall to a position located more than twenty five (25) miles from their previous reporting place.

(G) The COUNTY \textit{shall will} furnish the UNION with a current list of all bargaining unit employees on layoff status with recall rights.

(H) An employee \textit{shall will} not be required to accept recall to a part-time or temporary position in order to maintain recall rights, and the COUNTY \textit{shall will} not be required to recall employees to a temporary position on the basis of seniority. It is understood that the COUNTY will offer employment to those on the bargaining unit recall list before filling a temporary bargaining unit level position from a non-recall source.

(I) Former regular status 626 bargaining unit employees who have been promoted while represented by 626 to positions represented by the Administrative-Professional Association of Lane County (Admin-Pro) with no break in COUNTY service \textit{shall will} have their seniority accrued as a 626 member frozen for recall purposes. These former 626 employees who are laid off from an Admin-Pro position will be entitled to recall rights to a vacant 626 position. Order of recall \textit{shall will} be:

1. Recall to vacant former classification.
2. Recall to vacant lower position in same classification series

This seniority and recall rights will expire three (3) years after the promotion to the Admin-Pro position.

\textbf{Section 4 - Protection/Rights During Layoff}

(A) The seniority of an employee who has completed probation \textit{shall will} be protected for a period of twenty-four (24) calendar months during layoff, provided that such employee has not been given an opportunity to return to work in their same classification, and further provided that after six (6) months of layoff status, employees wishing to remain on recall status \textit{shall will} notify the COUNTY of this fact, listing their current address every sixty (60) days. This notice requirement \textit{shall will} not apply to employees working for the COUNTY in other positions. Failure to give notice \textit{shall will} result in the employee relinquishing all rights to recall.

(B) Employees on layoff status \textit{shall will} have the option of paying for continued health insurance coverage, as provided for in COBRA. The COUNTY \textit{shall will} administer all such payments.

\textbf{Section 5 - Termination for Exhaustion of Non-Occupational Disability Leave}

Employees who have terminated upon exhaustion of non-occupational disability leave benefits provided under Article 11XI, Section 4, \textit{shall will} be deemed to have been laid-off and \textit{shall will} have recall rights provided that within one (1) year of such termination a written request to be placed on the recall list is made to the Human Resources office. The request must include the employee's statement of willingness to accept regular employment under the terms of this Article and it must be accompanied by a full doctor's release stating clearly and in writing that the physical or mental problems\textit{disability has been corrected to the point where the employee is fully capable of performing the regular duties of the job. The}
recall provisions set forth above will apply as if the employee had been laid off as of the date of request for reinstatement.

TA’d 5/2/19
Section 1 - Entire Agreement

The parties herein agree that the relationship between them shall be governed by the terms of this Agreement.

Section 2 - Change in Conditions

If the COUNTY proposes to change or implement matters within the scope of representation as defined by ORS 243.650(7) and not specifically mentioned in this Agreement, and more than a de minimus number of employees are affected, the COUNTY will notify the UNION in writing prior to implementing the proposed change. Upon timely request of the UNION (within 14 days), the County will negotiate with the UNION pursuant to ORS 243.698.

Section 3 - Savings Clause

Should any Article, Section or portion thereof of this Agreement be held unlawful and unenforceable by any tribunal of competent jurisdiction, such decision of the tribunal shall apply only to the specific Article, Section or portion thereof, directly specified in the decisions. Upon the issuance of such a decision, the parties may agree immediately to negotiate a substitute, if possible, for the invalidated Article, Section or portion thereof.

Section 4 - Individual Agreements

The County agrees not to enter into any agreement or contract with its employees, individually or collectively, which in any way conflicts with the terms and provisions of this agreement. Any such agreement shall be null and void.
ARTICLE XVIII
TERMINATION

Section 1 - Duration

Unless otherwise specifically stated, this Agreement shall become effective upon ratification and remain effect until and including June 30, 2019, and thereafter shall continue in effect from year to year, unless one (1) party gives notice in writing to the other party of its desire to terminate, or modify the Agreement by April 1, 2019, or if no such notice is given at such time, before April 1, of any subsequent anniversary.

Section 2 - Notice

If either party serves written notice of its desire to terminate or modify provisions of the Agreement, such notice shall set forth the specific item or items the party wishes to terminate or modify, and the parties shall commence negotiations at least ninety (90) calendar days prior to the expiration of the Agreement except by mutual consent.

Section 3 - Force of Agreement

During the period of negotiations, this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties hereto have set their hand this day of , 2016.

FOR THE COUNTY

Steve Mokrohisky
County Administrator

Rick Keene
President Local 626

FOR THE UNION

Timothy Elsea
Public Works Director

Don Weick
Vice President

Inga Aanrud
Employee Relations Program Manager

Aaron Jorgensen
Treasurer

Jesika Heikkinen
Secretary
### SCHEDULE A

**Equipment/Classification Designations for Road and Park Maintenance Series**

The following list will determine the proper classifications in the Road and Park Maintenance Series for operation of Equipment.

#### EQUIPMENT CLASSIFICATION

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Equipment Description</th>
<th>Classification</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Transport Trailers (Lowboy, Oversize)</td>
<td>RM III/SPM</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Heavy Haul Trailers 85,000 GVW or more</td>
<td>RM III/SPM</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Garbage Trailers</td>
<td>RM III</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Graders</td>
<td>RM III/SPM</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Crawler Tractors</td>
<td>RM III/SPM</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Gradalls</td>
<td>RM III/SPM</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Distributor Truck (Operator)</td>
<td>RM III</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mobile Cranes</td>
<td>RM III</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Post Driver Truck</td>
<td>RM III</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Paint Striper Truck (Chief Operator)</td>
<td>RM III</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Stencil Truck (Chief Operator)</td>
<td>RM II</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Landfill Compactor</td>
<td>RM III</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Brush Mower</td>
<td>RM III</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Knuckleboom Packer (Mobile or Stationary)</td>
<td>RM III</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Excavator</td>
<td>RM III</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Concrete Saw</td>
<td>RM II</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tar Pot</td>
<td>RM II</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Chip Spreader</td>
<td>RM III</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Rollers over 12,000 LBS</td>
<td>RM III</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Crack Sealer (Crew Lead)</td>
<td>RM III</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Dump Trucks</td>
<td>RM II/PM</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Flat Bed Trucks over 20,000 lbs GVW</td>
<td>RM II</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Water Trucks</td>
<td>RM II</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Loaders</td>
<td>RM II/PM</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Rollers under 11,999 lbs</td>
<td>RM II</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sign Truck</td>
<td>RM II</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Paint Striper Truck (Asst. Operators)</td>
<td>RM II</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sweepers 4 cy hopper and larger</td>
<td>RM II</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>A—Pull Broom</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>B—Attachments</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>C—Warehouse Style Mobile Sweeper</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Wheel Tractors (With attachments)</td>
<td>RM II/PM</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
## EQUIPMENT (continued) — CLASSIFICATION (continued)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Equipment</th>
<th>Classification</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Sanders</td>
<td>RM II</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Fork Lifts greater than 5,000 lbs capacity</td>
<td>RM II/PM</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Fork Lifts under 5,000 lbs capacity</td>
<td>RMI/PM</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Vibro Plate - Hand Compactor</td>
<td>RM I</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Snow Plow</td>
<td>RM II</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Small Ditch-Witch Trencher</td>
<td>RM II/PM</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mud Pumps</td>
<td>RM II</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>72” Mower</td>
<td>PM II</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Fire Truck (Water Wagon)</td>
<td>RM II</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Roll-off Box Truck</td>
<td>RM II</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sandblaster</td>
<td>RM II</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Lube Truck (Operator/Driver)</td>
<td>MECH 1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Aerial Lift Truck</td>
<td>RM III/Elect.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sign Manufacturer</td>
<td>RM III</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Skid Steer</td>
<td>RM II</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Articulated Dump Truck</td>
<td>RM III</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Asphalt Zipper</td>
<td>RM III</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Backhoe</td>
<td>RM III</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Designation of the proper Road and/or Park Maintenance classification for operation of new equipment shall be discussed between the **UNION** and the **COUNTY**.

**See Out of Class, Article X10, Section 5(D)**
# Schedule BA

## Classification Series & Bumping Order

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Job Code</th>
<th>Primary Classification/Series</th>
<th>Secondary Classification</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>I004</td>
<td>Road Maintenance Sr Operator</td>
<td>Solid Waste Sr Operator</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>I003</td>
<td>Road Maintenance Operator</td>
<td>Park Maintenance 2 /Solid Waste Operator</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>I002</td>
<td>Road Maintenance Worker/Trainee</td>
<td>Park Maintenance 1 /Solid Waste Wkr/Trainee</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>I001</td>
<td>General Laborer</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>I034</td>
<td>Solid Waste Sr Operator</td>
<td>Park Maintenance 2/Road Maintenance Operator</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>I033</td>
<td>Solid Waste Operator</td>
<td>Park Maintenance 1/Road Maintenance Wkr/Trainee</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>I032</td>
<td>Solid Waste Worker/Trainee</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>I001</td>
<td>General Laborer</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>I007</td>
<td>Sr. Park Maintenance</td>
<td>Road Maintenance/Solid Waste Operator</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>I028</td>
<td>Park Maintenance 2</td>
<td>Road Maintenance/Solid Waste 4 Worker</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>I006</td>
<td>Park Maintenance 1</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>I001</td>
<td>General Laborer</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>C052</td>
<td>Fleet Quality Assurance &amp; Safety Specialist Sr. Mechanic – Mechanic 2</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>I012-I011</td>
<td>Mechanic 1</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>I010</td>
<td>Shop Utility Worker</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>I031</td>
<td>General Laborer</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>C044</td>
<td>Sr. Fleet Services Purchasing Specialist Fleet Services Purchasing Specialist</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>C039</td>
<td>Electrician</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>BGU</td>
<td>SAL PLAN</td>
<td>GRADE</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>-----</td>
<td>----------</td>
<td>-------</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>03</td>
<td>626</td>
<td>027</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>03</td>
<td>626</td>
<td>022</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>03</td>
<td>626</td>
<td>027</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>03</td>
<td>626</td>
<td>019</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>03</td>
<td>626</td>
<td>025</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>03</td>
<td>626</td>
<td>027</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>03</td>
<td>626</td>
<td>012</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>03</td>
<td>626</td>
<td>024</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>03</td>
<td>626</td>
<td>029</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>03</td>
<td>626</td>
<td>013</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>03</td>
<td>626</td>
<td>021</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>03</td>
<td>626</td>
<td>027</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>03</td>
<td>626</td>
<td>025</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>03</td>
<td>626</td>
<td>011</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>03</td>
<td>626</td>
<td>021</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>03</td>
<td>626</td>
<td>025</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>03</td>
<td>626</td>
<td>013</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Step 1</td>
<td>Step 2</td>
<td>Step 3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>--------</td>
<td>--------</td>
<td>--------</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11.81</td>
<td>12.29</td>
<td>12.78</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11.99</td>
<td>12.47</td>
<td>12.97</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

with 1.5% COLA FY19-20
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

One-Time Payment
MOU 626-19-08

This agreement is by and between Lane County, hereinafter referred to as COUNTY, Lane County Public Works Association Local 626, hereinafter referred to as ASSOCIATION, regarding a one-time payment to bargaining unit employees whose fiscal year 2018-2019 equipment differential and associated out-of-class earnings potentially exceed the increased wages negotiated in the 2019-2022 collective bargaining agreement for the first year of the contract.

1. One-time payments will be distributed according to the following schedule:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Name</th>
<th>ID</th>
<th>Amount</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Sharles W. Hill</td>
<td>6336</td>
<td>$2,400.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Daniel E. Anderson</td>
<td>1877</td>
<td>$50.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>John H. Cowan</td>
<td>8555</td>
<td>$400.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Roderick E. Stein</td>
<td>10868</td>
<td>$250.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Eric L. Howell</td>
<td>12594</td>
<td>$1,350.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Kevin DuPay</td>
<td>12648</td>
<td>$225.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Darrel J. Frederickson</td>
<td>11855</td>
<td>$2,400.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Raymond H. Johnson</td>
<td>11735</td>
<td>$500.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mark A. Marsh</td>
<td>1317</td>
<td>$25.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Robert L. Rice</td>
<td>7747</td>
<td>$200.00</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

2. One-time Payments will be distributed effective the first full pay period following ratification and approval by the Board of County Commissioners of the 2019-2022 Collective Bargaining Agreement between the COUNTY and the ASSOCIATION.

3. All other terms under the current Collective Bargaining Agreement and Memorandums of Understanding shall remain in effect unless otherwise mutually modified and agreed to by both the ASSOCIATION and the COUNTY.

4. This agreement in no way sets a precedent for future agreements or obligations for the COUNTY.

For the ASSOCIATION: __________________________________________
For the COUNTY: __________________________________________

Rick Keene, President  Inga Wood
Local 626             Lane County Labor Relations Manager
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Solid Waste Career Development Opportunities
MOU 626-19-09

This agreement is by and between Lane County, hereinafter referred to as COUNTY, Lane County Public Works Association Local 626, hereinafter referred to as ASSOCIATION, regarding developing Career Development Opportunities in Waste Management for Association members.

1. It is the intention of the COUNTY to provide career and leadership opportunities to employees in the Solid Waste Senior Operator classification, following the guidelines provided for in the Administrative Procedures Manual ("APM") Chapter 3, Section 44.

2. Career Development Opportunities of up to three months (90 days) will be provided, based on business need, in the following areas of operation:
   a. Rural Operations
   b. Short Mountain Operations
   c. Glenwood Operations

3. In order to receive a Career Development assignment an employee must meet the following criteria:
   a. Served as a Solid Waste Senior Operator for a continuous period of at least one (1) year.
   b. Complete an application for the assignment, including, but not limited to, a description of their interest in such assignment and how it will help them to develop and grow professionally.
   c. Participate in an interview process.

4. Employees serving in a Career Development assignment will receive five percent (5%) above their current hourly rate of pay.

5. In accordance with Article 10, Section 5 of the 2019-2022 labor agreement, the parties believe this is mutually beneficial for the COUNTY and the employees represented by the ASSOCIATION.

6. All other terms under the current Collective Bargaining Agreement and Memorandums of Understanding and the APM shall remain in effect unless otherwise mutually modified and agreed to in writing by both the ASSOCIATION and the COUNTY.

7. This agreement in no way sets a precedent for future agreements or obligations for the COUNTY to continue the arrangement.

8. This agreement shall be effective following signatures of both parties.
For the ASSOCIATION: 

Rick Keene, President  
Local 626  

Date

For the COUNTY: 

Inga Wood  
Lane County Labor Relations Manager  

Date

Dan Hurley, Director  
Lane County Public Works  

Date
ROAD MAINTENANCE 1 WORKER/ROAD MAINTENANCE 1 TRAINEE

CLASS SUMMARY:
To perform unskilled or semi-skilled manual tasks and operation of light equipment.

CLASS CHARACTERISTICS: This is the entry level class in the Road Maintenance series; typically working in either the Road Maintenance or Waste Management Divisions of Public Works. This class is distinguished from the Road Maintenance 2-Equipment Operator by the performance of the more routine tasks and duties assigned to positions within this series. Employees at this level are not expected to perform with the same independence of direction and judgment on matters related to established procedures and guidelines as are positions allocated to the 2-Operator level. Accordingly, employees may have only limited work experience. Employees work under immediate supervision while learning job tasks. Note: Specific positions within this classification may be designated as “trainee” positions, and filled as such.

SUPERVISION RECEIVED AND EXERCISED: Receives supervision from a Maintenance Supervisor, and technical and functional supervision from a Lead Worker or Road Maintenance Specialist. Receives technical and functional field supervision from the Road Maintenance Senior Operator.

TYPICAL CLASS ESSENTIAL DUTIES: (These duties are a representative sample; position assignments may vary.)

1. Directs traffic on road projects or in road maintenance.
2. Assists transfer site and landfill customers, applying relevant policies and procedures related to safety; prohibited and hazardous wastes; acceptable recycling and waste preparation policies; and site usage rules.
3. Receives, sorts and packages recyclable materials for shipment to processors.
4. Performs transfer site and landfill site maintenance duties, including mowing, weed trimming, fence repair and general cleanup.
5. Performs general manual/mechanical labor digging ditches, cleaning and installing culverts or drain tiles, cutting or burning brush, removing obstacles from roadway and adjacent areas.
6.
Performs simple manual work connected with patching and repairing of roadways, bridge construction, road construction, or work connected with transfer site and landfill construction and maintenance.

Operates light equipment such as lawnmowers, forklifts, string trimmers, pickup trucks, and similar powered tools and equipment related to road maintenance and construction activities, such as pickup trucks, lawnmowers, etc.

Performs custodial clean up and maintenance work in shops, offices and grounds.

May assist in the preparation and installation of traffic signs, preparation and application of sign fencing, painting of roadway markings; drives pilot car for paint stripper.

May perform level 2 Road Maintenance Operator duties in a training capacity, provided any required licenses and related requirements have been obtained.

**Knowledge of** (position requirements at entry):
- Methods and materials used in road maintenance and construction or the basic principles of waste reduction and recycling.
- Basic safety practices and procedures.

**Ability to** (position requirements at entry):
- Operate light equipment.
- Perform strenuous physical labor in sometimes adverse weather conditions.
- Understand and follow written and oral instructions.
- Understand and apply County policies and procedures.

**Training and Experience** (positions in this class typically require):
Formal or informal education or training which ensures the ability to read and write at a level necessary for successful job performance. One year of experience in the operation of light equipment or performing unskilled or semi-skilled tasks. An equivalent combination of experience and training that will demonstrate the required knowledge and abilities is qualifying.

**Licensing Requirements** (positions in this class may require):
Possession of a valid Oregon Driver's license at the time of hire.

**TRAINEE POSITIONS**
At the discretion of the Department, some positions in this classification may be designated as trainee positions at the time they are posted. It is the responsibility of the employee in a designated trainee position to obtain an Oregon Class A CDL, medical card, and required CDL endorsements by the end of the probationary period.

**NOTE:** This position is represented by Lane Co Assoc. Local 626.

**Classification History:**
FLSA Status: Non-Exempt.
CLASS SUMMARY: To perform maintenance activities and operate equipment in the construction or maintenance of bridges and roadways, and related projects.

CLASS CHARACTERISTICS: This is the journey level class within the Road Maintenance series. This class is distinguished from the Road Maintenance Worker/Trainee by the assignment of the full range of duties including the operation of road maintenance and construction equipment. Employees at this level are fully aware of the operating procedures within the work unit and receive only occasional instruction or assistance as new or unusual situations arise. Intermittently provides technical and/or functional direction supervision to employees in lower classifications; upon request, provides information, advice or suggestions to a higher level for use in making personnel and operational decisions.

SUPERVISION RECEIVED AND EXERCISED: Receives general supervision from a Road Maintenance Supervisor, and technical and functional supervision from a Lead Worker or Road Maintenance Specialist. Receives technical and functional supervision from a Road Maintenance Senior Operator.

TYPICAL CLASS ESSENTIAL DUTIES: (These duties are a representative sample; position assignments may vary.)

<p>| | |</p>
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th></th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1.</td>
<td>Operates equipment in road maintenance and construction activities. Performs work assignments on road and bridges, including construction and repair.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3.</td>
<td><em>Roads</em>: Employees assigned to a road maintenance crew will perform activities related to the maintenance of roadways, including, but not limited to, sweeping, ditching, culvert maintenance, <em>equipment and material hauling, loading, rolling, drainage work, gravel</em> and surface maintenance activities.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5.</td>
<td><em>Bridges</em>: Employees assigned to the bridge crew will perform activities related to the maintenance and repair of bridge structures, including, but not limited to, deck repair, metal work, <em>wood work, bridge inspections</em>, painting, in-water work, and preventative maintenance.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7.</td>
<td><em>Vegetation</em>: Employees assigned to the vegetation crew will perform activities related to the maintenance of vegetation, including, but not limited to, <em>grass mowing, tree removal and pruning, manual maintenance, pruning, and invasive species control.</em></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
**Sign Shop:** Employees assigned to the sign crew will perform activities related to the maintenance and repair of signs and pavement markings, including, but not limited to, sign inspections and inventory, pavement marking, sign maintenance and installation, and sign cleaning.

May perform Road Maintenance Senior Operator duties in a training capacity or out-of-class assignments, provided any required licenses and related requirements have been met.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Knowledge of (position requirements at entry):</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>• Operation and maintenance of road construction and maintenance equipment.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>• Methods and materials used in road maintenance and construction.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>• Basic safety practices and procedures.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Ability to (position requirements at entry):</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>• Operate road maintenance and construction equipment.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>• Perform skilled labor.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>• Perform strenuous physical labor in sometimes adverse weather conditions.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>• Understand and follow written and verbal instructions.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>• Perform work to engineering specifications.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Training and Experience** (positions in this class typically require):

Formal or informal education or training which ensures the ability to read and write at a level necessary for successful job performance. Two years of experience in the operation of a variety of road maintenance and construction equipment, including experience performing semi-skilled and skilled tasks. An equivalent combination of experience and training that will demonstrate the required knowledge and abilities is qualifying.

**Licensing Requirements** (positions in this class may require):

Possession of a valid Oregon Class A CDL, with required endorsements and medical card. A valid Oregon Class A CDL with a fifth wheel restriction is allowed for this classification.

**NOTE:** This position is represented by Lane CoAssoc. Local 626.

**Classification History:**

FLSA Status: Non-Exempt
ROAD MAINTENANCE SENIOR OPERATOR

**CLASS SUMMARY:** To perform maintenance activities and operate equipment in the construction and maintenance of bridges and roadways and related projects.

**CLASS CHARACTERISTICS:** This is the advanced journey level class in the Road Maintenance series. Positions at this level are distinguished from other classes within the series by the level of responsibility assumed and the complexity of duties assigned. Employees perform the most difficult and responsible types of duties assigned to classes within this series. Employees at this level are required to be fully trained in all procedures related to assigned area of responsibility. Provides technical and/or functional supervision to employees in subordinate classifications; upon request, provides information, advice or suggestions to a higher level for use in making personnel or operational decisions. Instructs employees and checks their work; ensures that work rules and practices are observed, and that materials, supplies and equipment are properly used. May direct a crew of three (excluding flaggers) or more staff, or provide a higher level of technical work.

**SUPERVISION RECEIVED AND EXERCISED:** Receives direction from a Road Maintenance Supervisor, and technical and functional supervision from a Lead Worker or Road Maintenance Specialist. May exercise functional and technical supervision over Road Maintenance personnel in field operations.

**TYPICAL CLASS ESSENTIAL DUTIES:** (These duties are a representative sample; position assignments may vary.)
1. Operates complex and heavy equipment in road maintenance and construction activities. Performs complex and technical work assignments on roads and bridges, including skilled construction and repair.

2. 

3. **Roads:** Employees assigned to a road maintenance crew will perform activities related to the maintenance of roadways, including, but not limited to, paving, sweeping, ditching, culvert installation, and surface maintenance activities. This classification differs from others in the series by including the activities of urban storm water maintenance, dust oil application, chip seal applications and traffic control, machine paving, oil or asphalt application, guardrail installation, chip seal operations, gradall and excavation projects, road striping and road grading, larger road grading projects, cracksealing, and

4. 

5. **Bridges:** Employees assigned to the bridge crew will perform activities related to the maintenance and repair of road and bridge structures, including, but not limited to, deck repair, metal work, painting, in-water work, and preventative maintenance. This classification differs from others in the series by including the activities of guardrail post installation/repair and excavation projects.

6. 

7. **Vegetation:** Employees assigned to the vegetation crew will perform activities related to the maintenance of vegetation, including, but not limited to, mowing, brush control, tree removal, pruning, and invasive species control. This classification differs from others in the series by including the activities of aerial tree work, licensed herbicide applications, and hazardous/dangerous and/or technical tree removals.

8. 

**Sign Shop:** Employees assigned to the sign crew will perform activities related to the maintenance and repair of signs and pavement markings, including, but not limited to, striping, pavement marking, sign maintenance and installation, and sign cleaning. This classification differs from others in the series by including the activities of road striping and of sign manufacturing.

**Knowledge of** (position requirements at entry):
- Operation and maintenance of road construction and maintenance equipment.
- Methods and materials used in road maintenance and construction.
- Methods and procedures in handling hazardous chemicals and solvents.
- Basic safety practices and procedures.

**Ability to** (position requirements at entry):
- Provide technical and functional supervision in field operations.
- Operate road maintenance and construction equipment.
- Perform skilled work.
- Perform work to engineering specifications.
- Perform strenuous physical labor in sometimes adverse weather conditions.
- Understand and follow written and verbal instructions.
- Provide training and/or technical supervision in the field for employees in lower levels of this classification series.

**Training and Experience** (positions in this class typically require):  
Formal or informal education or training which ensures the ability to read and write at a level necessary for successful job performance. Three years of experience in the operation of road maintenance and construction equipment, including experience performing skilled tasks. An equivalent combination of experience and training that will demonstrate the required knowledge and abilities is qualifying.

**Licensing Requirements** (positions in this class may require):  
Possession of a valid unrestricted Oregon Class A CDL and medical card. Required CDL endorsements must be obtained within three months of appointment.

**NOTE:** This position is represented by Lane Co Assoc. Local 626.

**Classification History:**  
Deminimus changes to Special Requirements adding Pesticide Applicator’s License approved by HR Manager 08/19/05.  
FLSA Status: Non-Exempt.
ROAD MAINTENANCE SPECIALIST

CLASS SUMMARY: To perform the most complex maintenance activities and operations in the Road Maintenance classification series. Employees in this classification are assigned these duties for limited duration of no less than a half day of maintenance work or career development.

CLASS CHARACTERISTICS: This is the advanced level class in the Road Maintenance series. Positions/assignments at this level are distinguished from other classes within the series by the technical knowledge and/or multi-crew leadership assumed and the complexity of duties assigned. Employees at this level are required to be fully trained in all procedures related to assigned area of responsibility in the lower classifications. Provides technical and/or functional field supervision to employees in subordinate classifications; upon request, provides information, advice or suggestions to a higher level for use in making personnel or operational decisions. Instructs employees and inspects their work; ensures that work rules and practices are observed, and that materials, supplies and equipment are properly used.

SUPERVISION RECEIVED AND EXERCISED: Receives direction from a Road Maintenance Supervisor, and technical and functional supervision from a Lead Worker. May exercise functional and technical supervision over Road Maintenance personnel in field operations.

TYPICAL CLASS ESSENTIAL DUTIES: (These duties are a representative sample; position assignments may vary.)

1. Operates complex and heavy equipment in road maintenance and construction activities.
2. Performs complex and technical work assignments on roads and bridges, including skilled construction and repairs listed below;
3. Employees assigned to these operations differ from others in the series by acting as the primary assigned operator with crews of four or more of the following operations including, but not limited to, activities related to the maintenance of roadways and bridges, such as chipseal operations and machine paving, road striping, crack sealing, gradall and excavation projects, guardrail installation and repair,
4. Employees assigned to these operations differ from others in the series by performing technical operations in the maintenance of roadways and bridges, such as fogseal and chipseal oil applications, licensed herbicide applications and data entry, technical or hazard tree removal, competent person designee on bridge projects.

Knowledge of (position requirements at entry):
- Operation and maintenance of road construction and maintenance equipment.
- Methods and materials used in road maintenance and construction.
- Methods and procedures in handling hazardous chemicals and solvents.
- Basic safety practices and procedures.

**Ability to** (position requirements at entry):
- Provide technical and functional supervision in field operations.
- Operate road maintenance and construction equipment.
- Perform skilled work.
- Perform work to engineering specifications.
- Perform strenuous physical labor in sometimes adverse weather conditions.
- Understand and follow written and verbal instructions
- Provide training and/or technical supervision in the field for employees in lower levels of this classification series.

**Training and Experience** (positions in this class typically require):
Formal or informal education or training which ensures the ability to read and write at a level necessary for successful job performance. Five years of experience in the operation of road maintenance and construction equipment, including experience performing skilled tasks. An equivalent combination of experience and training that will demonstrate the required knowledge and abilities is qualifying.

**Licensing Requirements** (positions in this class may require):
Possession of a valid unrestricted Oregon Class A CDL and medical card. Required CDL endorsements must be obtained within three months of appointment.

**NOTE:** This position is represented by Lane Co Assoc. Local 626.

**Classification History:**
Demimimus changes to Special Requirements adding Pesticide Applicator's License approved by HR Manager 08/19/05.
FLSA Status: Non-Exempt.
CLASS SUMMARY: To perform unskilled or semi-skilled manual tasks and operation of light equipment.

CLASS CHARACTERISTICS: This is the entry level class in the Solid Waste series. This class is distinguished from the Solid Waste Operator by the performance of the more routine tasks and duties assigned to positions within this series. Employees at this level are not expected to perform with the same independence of direction and judgment on matters related to established procedures and guidelines as are positions allocated to the Operator level. Accordingly, employees may have only limited work experience. Employees work under immediate supervision while learning job tasks. Note: Specific positions within this classification may be designated as “trainee” positions, and filled as such.

SUPERVISION RECEIVED AND EXERCISED: Receives supervision from a Maintenance Supervisor, and technical and functional supervision from a Lead Worker. Receives technical and functional supervision from a Solid Waste Operator or Solid Waste Senior Operator.

TYPICAL CLASS ESSENTIAL DUTIES: (These duties are a representative sample; position assignments may vary.)

1. Assists transfer site and landfill customers, applying relevant policies and procedures related to safety; prohibited and hazardous wastes; acceptable recycling and waste preparation policies; and site usage rules.

2. Receives, sorts and packages recyclable materials for shipment to processors. Directs and assists customers at Waste Management Division transfer sites or the landfill.

3. Performs transfer site and landfill site maintenance duties, including general manual/mechanical labor, picking up litter, mowing, weed trimming, fence maintenance and repair and other site maintenance duties.

4. Operates light equipment related to waste management facility activities, such as lawnmowers, forklifts, string trimmers, pickup trucks, powered pallet jacks and similar powered tools and equipment.

5. Performs clean up and maintenance work in shops, offices and grounds.

6. May perform Solid Waste Operator duties in a training capacity, provided any required licenses and related requirements have been obtained.
Knowledge of (position requirements at entry):
- Waste management recycling and procedures.
- Basic safety practices and procedures.

Ability to (position requirements at entry):
- Operate light equipment.
- Perform strenuous physical labor in sometimes adverse weather conditions.
- Understand and follow written and oral instructions.
- Understand and apply County policies and procedures.

Training and Experience (positions in this class typically require):
Formal or informal education or training which ensures the ability to read and write at a level necessary for successful job performance. One year of experience in the operation of light equipment or performing unskilled or semi-skilled tasks. An equivalent combination of experience and training that will demonstrate the required knowledge and abilities is qualifying.

Licensing Requirements (positions in this class may require):
Possession of a valid Oregon Driver's license at the time of hire.

TRAINEE POSITIONS
At the discretion of the Department, some positions in this classification may be designated as Trainee positions at the time they are posted. It is the responsibility of the employee in a designated trainee position to obtain an Oregon Class A CDL, medical card, and required CDL endorsements by the end of the probationary period.

NOTE: This position is represented by Lane Co Assoc. Local 626.

Classification History:
FLSA Status: Non-Exempt.
**CLASS SUMMARY:** To perform maintenance activities and operate equipment in waste transfer and landfill operations and related projects.

**CLASS CHARACTERISTICS:** This is the journey level class within the Solid Waste series. This class is distinguished from the Solid Waste Worker by the assignment of the full range of duties, including the operation of solid waste transfer and landfill equipment. Employees at this level are fully aware of the operating procedures within the work unit and receive only occasional instruction or assistance as new or unusual situations arise.

**SUPERVISION RECEIVED AND EXERCISED:** Receives general supervision from a Solid Waste Supervisor, and technical and functional supervision from a Lead Worker. Receives technical and functional supervision from a Solid Waste Senior Operator.

**TYPICAL CLASS ESSENTIAL DUTIES:** (These duties are a representative sample; position assignments may vary.)

<p>| | |</p>
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th></th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1.</td>
<td>Operates equipment in waste management transfer and landfilling activities.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2.</td>
<td>Performs work assignments at transfer sites and at the landfill.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3.</td>
<td><strong>Transfer:</strong> Employees assigned to the Waste Management transfer crew will perform activities related to the preparation and transport of waste from transfer stations to end destinations.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4.</td>
<td><strong>Landfill:</strong> Employees assigned to the landfill crew will perform activities related to the constructions and maintenance of a municipal solid waste landfill, including, but not limited to, moving and processing of waste, preparation for installation of landfill gas well, and leachate operations and transport.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5.</td>
<td>May perform Solid Waste Senior Operator duties in a training capacity or out-of-class assignments, provided any required licenses and related requirements have been obtained.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Knowledge of** (position requirements at entry):
- Operation and maintenance of solid waste transfer and landfill equipment.
- Methods and materials used in solid waste transfer and landfill management.
- Basic safety practices and procedures.

**Ability to** (position requirements at entry):
- Operate solid waste transfer and landfill equipment.
- Perform skilled labor.
- Perform strenuous physical labor in sometimes adverse weather conditions.
- Understand and follow written and verbal instructions.
- Perform work to engineering specifications.
Training and Experience (positions in this class typically require):
Formal or informal education or training which ensures the ability to read and write at a level necessary for successful job performance. Two years of experience in the operation of a variety of over-the-road transport and/or landfill construction equipment, including experience performing semi-skilled and skilled tasks. An equivalent combination of experience and training that will demonstrate the required knowledge and abilities is qualifying.

Licensing Requirements (positions in this class may require):
Possession of a valid unrestricted Oregon Class A with required endorsements and medical card.

NOTE: This position is represented by Lane Co Assoc. Local 626.

Classification History:
FLSA Status: Non-Exempt
SOLID WASTE SENIOR OPERATOR

**CLASS SUMMARY:** To perform maintenance activities and operate equipment in waste transfer and landfill operations and related projects.

**CLASS CHARACTERISTICS:** This is the advanced journey level class in the Solid Waste series. Positions at this level are distinguished from other classes within the series by the level of responsibility assumed and the complexity of duties assigned. Employees perform the most difficult and responsible types of duties assigned to classes within this series. Employees at this level are required to be fully trained in all procedures related to assigned area of responsibility. Provides technical and/or functional coordination of employees in lower classifications; upon request, provides information, advice or suggestions to a higher level for use in making personnel or operational decisions. Instructs employees and inspects their work; ensures that work rules and practices are observed, and that materials, supplies and equipment are properly used.

**SUPERVISION RECEIVED AND EXERCISED:** Receives direction from a Solid Waste Supervisor, and technical and functional supervision from a Lead Worker. May exercise functional and technical field supervision over Solid Waste personnel.

**TYPICAL CLASS ESSENTIAL DUTIES:** (These duties are a representative sample; position assignments may vary.)

1. Operate equipment in waste management transfer and landfiling activities.
2. Performs work assignments at transfer sites and at the landfill.
3. **Transfer:** Employees assigned to the waste management transfer crew will perform activities related to the preparation and transport of waste from transfer stations to end destinations. Senior Operators will be tasked with coordinating the operations of pick-up and delivery of specific waste material; including scheduling of the pick-up/delivery, assigning other operators to pick up/delivery, and working with supervisors to plan out pick up/delivery for the week and/or month.
4. **Landfill:** Employees assigned to the landfill crew will perform activities related to the construction and maintenance of municipal solid waste landfill, including, but not limited to, moving and compacting waste, preparation for installation of landfill gas wells, and leachate management and transport. Senior Operators will be tasked with coordinating specific duties; to include coordinating work plans for specific activities with the landfill supervisor and/or lead worker.

**Knowledge of** (position requirements at entry):
- Operation and maintenance of solid waste transfer and landfill equipment.
- Methods and materials used in solid waste transfer and landfill management.
- Methods and procedures in handling hazardous chemicals and solvents.
- Basic safety practices and procedures.

**Ability to** (position requirements at entry):
- Operate solid waste transfer and landfill equipment.
- Perform skilled work.
- Perform work to engineering specifications.
- Perform strenuous physical labor in sometimes adverse weather conditions.
- Understand and follow written and verbal instructions
- Provide training and/or technical supervision in the field for employees in lower levels of this classification series.

**Training and Experience** (positions in this class typically require):
Formal or informal education or training which ensures the ability to read and write at a level necessary for successful job performance. Three years of experience in the operation of a variety of over-the-road transport and/or landfill construction equipment, including experience performing skilled tasks. An equivalent combination of experience and training that will demonstrate the required knowledge and abilities is qualifying.

**Licensing Requirements** (positions in this class may require):
Possession of a valid, unrestricted Oregon Class A CDL and medical card. Required CDL endorsements must be obtained within three months of appointment.

**NOTE:** This position is represented by Lane Co Assoc. Local 626.

**Classification History:**
FLSA Status: Non-Exempt.