

OKANOGAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS'

RESOLUTION 175 - 2022

A resolution allocating/obligating Title III funds to Okanogan County Conservation District and Search & Rescue

WHEREAS, Title III authorizes uses of the funds as set out in Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000 [Public Law 106-393; October 30, 2000, 116 Stat. 1607] [As Amended through P.L. 117-58, Enacted November 15, 2021]; and

WHEREAS, authorized uses include cost reimbursement of activities on Federal Forest Land to carry out Fire Wise Community Programs, Search & Rescue services, and to cover training costs and equipment purchases directly related to emergency services performed on Federal Forest Land and paid for by the participating county; and

WHEREAS, on September 7, 2022, Okanogan County published a Request for Proposal (RFP) in the county's legal newspaper of record requesting proposals for projects or activities performed on Federal Forest Land that qualify under the Act, in order to consider obligation of the county's Title III funds for use in 2023; and

WHEREAS, Okanogan County received and considered two eligible proposals for 2023 funding, one from Okanogan Conservation District for Fire Wise Program and cost sharing, and one from Okanogan County Search & Rescue for training and equipment; and

WHEREAS, proposals were received September 26 and a public meeting was held on November 15, after a 45-day comment period to hear comments on the obligation of the county's Title III funds; and

WHEREAS, the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self Determination Act of 2000 requires that the county notify the Secretary of the Department of Agriculture, of the county's decision regarding the allocation of Title III funds for eligible purposes.

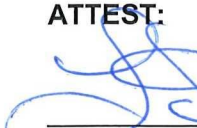
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Okanogan County Board of Commissioners' hereby allocates/obligates \$94,928 of its Title III funds for eligible cost reimbursements in 2023 to:

Okanogan County Search & Rescue, in accordance with the Act	\$20,000
Okanogan County Conservation District, in accordance with the Act,	\$74,928

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Okanogan County Board of Commissioners' hereby directs the Clerk of the Board to notify the appropriate state agencies of this decision and to prepare the corresponding contracts between the County and the awarded agencies.

DATED at Okanogan, Washington this 22 day of November 2022.

ATTEST:



Laleña Johns, CMC
Clerk of the Board



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OKANOGAN, WASHINGTON**


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