

IN THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, LANE COUNTY, OREGON

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)	IN THE MATTER OF RECOGNIZING
RESOLUTION NO. 96-9-18-2)	THE MID-COAST WATERSHEDS
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NOW BEFORE THE Lane County Board of Commissioners is the matter of adopting a resolution to formally recognize the Mid-Coast Watersheds Council and its work to enhance some of the coastal watersheds of our county; and

WHEREAS, healthy watersheds produce and maintain clean water and support anadromous fish populations which are of local state, and nationwide concern and economic importance and provide other tangible and intangible benefits to the citizens and visitors to Lane County; and

WHEREAS, commercial and sport fishing and the businesses they support are economically and culturally important to Lane County and the area, and help diversify and strengthen our communities; and

WHEREAS, the watersheds of the mid-coast region have been altered and are not providing the benefits that healthy watersheds can provide; and

WHEREAS, citizens and resource agencies of this region realize the importance of enhancing these watersheds and recognize the need to restore communication, cooperation, and trust among citizens and agencies of the region to realize these common aims and have formed a Mid-Coast Watersheds Council to assure such goals are accomplished; and

WHEREAS, such watershed councils are forming throughout the region with a focus on the recovery of salmon runs and are seen as vital groups by the National Marine Fisheries Service, the State of Oregon and the new regional coordinating group For The Sake of the Salmon; and

WHEREAS, the Mid-Coast Watersheds Council has been in existence for about two years, is recognized by the State as a watershed council, has participated in work that has begun to restore area watersheds and foster cooperation among citizens, community and agencies, and has received funding for projects and for coordinator positions; and

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WHEREAS, the Mid-Coast Watersheds Council desires to strengthen its visibility and effectiveness and can do so more effectively with the support and recognition of County government;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Lane County Board of Commissioners recognizes and promotes the goals of the Mid-Coast Watersheds Council; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Lane County Board of Commissioners desires to establish a working relationship with the council to foster collaboration and awareness of the Council's efforts; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners accepts the Council's offer to submit to the Lane County Commissioners an annual progress report of its work and accomplishments.

DATED this 18th day of September, 1996.



Chair, Board of County Commissioners