

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-05

A Resolution Approving and Consenting to Hood River County's Designation of the Powerdale Project Lands Abutting Hood River to be Designated Part of the County's Park Inventory and Subject to the Same Day Use Rules as Other Similar County Park Properties

WHEREAS, pursuant to the June 2003 *Powerdale Hydroelectric Project Settlement Agreement* between Pacificorp and eight other settlement parties, Pacificorp conveyed ownership of certain real properties along Hood River in Oregon and subsequently known as the Powerdale Project Lands to the Columbia Land Trust (CLT) and Hood River County (HRC); and

WHEREAS, in March 2013, Pacificorp transferred funds to the Columbia Land Trust according to the terms of the *Agreement Regarding the Maintenance Fund for Powerdale Subject Lands*; and

WHEREAS, Conservation Easements for the Powerdale Project Lands were granted by the Columbia Land Trust and Hood River County in favor of Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon, Hood River Watershed Group, and Hood River Parks and Recreation District in March 2013; and

WHEREAS, in March 2014 the Powerdale Project Lands Stewardship Agreement was put into place between Columbia Land Trust and Hood River County; and

WHEREAS, Hood River County has determined that in order to manage the project lands consistent with the Conservation Easement and in partnership with Columbia Land Trust, a county parks designation would provide the needed framework consistent with county code which provides rules for park use in Hood River County Code Title 12; and

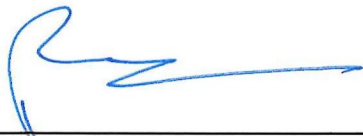
WHEREAS, ORS 275.320 authorizes Oregon counties to designate county forests, parks and recreational areas, but, where those lands are situated in whole or in part within the corporate limits of any city, the city must consent to the County's proposal to so designate those lands; and

WHEREAS, a substantial portion of the Powerdale Project Lands that Hood River County proposes to include on its parks inventory are situated within the Hood River City limits; and

WHEREAS, the City Council considered Hood River County's proposal to designate the Powerdale Project Lands within the City's borders as County park lands at the City Council's regular meeting on April 22, 2024.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that, pursuant to ORS 275.320, the Hood River City Council approves and consents to Hood River County's designation of all of the Powerdale Project Lands within the City's boundary as part of the County's Park Inventory to be subject to the same rules as other similar Hood River County park properties.

ADOPTED, APPROVED AND EFFECTIVE this 22nd day of April 2024.



Paul Blackburn, Mayor

Attest:



Jennifer Gray, City Recorder