

BE IT REMEMBERED, that at a regular term of the Board of Commissioners of the State of Oregon, for the County of Union, sitting for the transaction of County business, begun and held at the Joseph Building Annex in the City of La Grande, in said County and State, on Wednesday of said month and the time fixed by law for holding a regular term of said Commission, when were present:

The Honorable	<u>Paul Anderes</u>	<u>Chair</u>
	<u>R. Matthew Scarfo</u>	<u>Commissioner</u>
	<u>Jake Seavert</u>	<u>Commissioner</u>

WHEN, on Wednesday the 16th day of July, 2025, among others the following proceedings were had to wit:

IN THE MATTER OF A RESOLUTION DECLARING A LOCAL)	
STATE OF EMERGENCY WITHIN UNION COUNTY DUE)	RESOLUTION
TO DROUGHT CONDITIONS AND REQUESTING THE)	2025-15
STATE OF OREGON DECLARE A DISASTER AND STATE)	
OF EMERGENCY IN UNION COUNTY)	

WHEREAS, 100% of Union County is currently experiencing drought conditions, with approximately 50% of the County classified in Severe Drought status by the U.S. Drought Monitor; and

WHEREAS, seasonal outlooks from the National Climate Prediction Center forecast drier and warmer than average conditions for the coming months; and

WHEREAS, if these conditions persist as forecasted, Union County's agricultural industry faces the potential for significant economic loss, increased risk of injury, and damage to property due to extreme weather; and

WHEREAS, the Union County Board of Commissioners finds it necessary to take action to alleviate suffering among residents and livestock, to mitigate economic hardship, and to respond proactively to the elevated risk of wildfire.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Union County Board of Commissioners, under the emergency powers granted by ORS 401.309, hereby declares a local STATE OF EMERGENCY within Union County due to ongoing and forecasted drought conditions.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Union County Board of Commissioners requests that the Governor of the State of Oregon declare a STATE OF EMERGENCY in Union County due to drought and extend assistance to local agricultural producers, including access to State and Federal grants, loans, and other forms of financial assistance available to support affected residents and mitigate ongoing impacts.

DATED this 16th day of July, 2025.



Paul Anderes, CHAIR



R. Matthew Scarfo, COMMISSIONER



Jake Seavert, COMMISSIONER