

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR CURRY COUNTY
STATE OF OREGON**

In the Matter of Supporting Research)
Into Developing Offshore) **RESOLUTION: R 2020-04**
Wind Renewable Energy)

WHEREAS, the Oregon coast from Coos Bay to Brookings has world class offshore wind resources; and

WHEREAS, this wind resource can support offshore wind energy that is highly reliable, cost effective, and clean; and

WHEREAS, deep waters off the coast of Oregon prevent conventional bottom-mounted offshore wind technologies; and

WHEREAS, new floating technologies are making deep water offshore wind viable; and

WHEREAS, floating offshore wind energy could add significantly to coastal resilience, energy independence, and local control of energy decisions; and

WHEREAS, Coos Bay has the port capabilities and local infrastructure to help build and maintain floating wind resources on the west coast of the United States; and

WHEREAS, Coos Bay, Coos County, Curry County and surrounding areas could benefit from the jobs created by this new multi-billion-dollar west coast industry and supply chain; and

WHEREAS, it is essential that this potential new use of the ocean be developed in such a way as to minimize any potential effects on the ocean and its users; and

WHEREAS, there is interest in exploring the opportunities that the emerging floating offshore wind industry and supply chain provide; and

WHEREAS, there is support to explore the multiple benefits to be derived from this sector, including:

- a. Clean, reliable, cost-effective renewable energy from ocean winds;
- b. Coastal energy resilience;
- c. Carbon free renewable energy sources;
- d. Local control over the future of energy;
- e. Significant investment in local infrastructure;
- f. Reliable family wage jobs; and


g. Regional economic diversification.

WHEREAS, it is in the county's best interest to ensure that any local offshore wind projects and benefits thereof are coordinated with local leadership, and, the local leadership is involved so as to maximize the benefits derived from this sector.

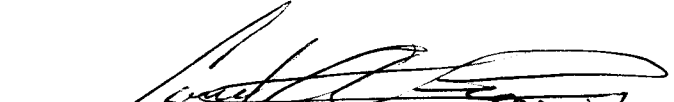
NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, the Board of Curry County Commissioners support research into the development of Oregon Offshore Wind and other Renewable Energy.

DATED this 22 day of January, 2020.

BOARD OF CURRY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS



Christopher Paasch, Chair

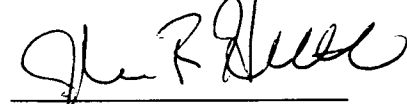


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