

**STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION – TOPIC SUMMARY**

**Topic:** Morrow County School District Supplemental Plan

**Date:** June 19, 2014

**Staff/Office:** Michael Wiltfong, Director of School Finance & Pupil Transportation, Office of Finance and Administration

**Action Requested:**

Informational Only    Adoption Later    Adoption    Adoption/Consent Agenda

**ISSUE BEFORE THE BOARD:** Morrow County School District as submitted an amendment to their supplemental plan for approval.

**BACKGROUND:** ORS 327.006 includes supplemental plans approved by the State Board of Education as part of “Approved Transportation Costs”. Also, ORS 327.043 requires districts to provide transportation to students identified in a supplemental plan approved by the State Board of Education.

Morrow County School District’s original supplemental plan was approved in August 1992. Due to changing Riverside High School to a Jr/Sr high school, many students that previously attended the elementary school are now attending Riverside.

This supplemental amendment accounts for the students that were previously walking to their elementary school. All other parts of their current supplemental plan regarding health, safety, and special needs students will remain.

**POLICY QUESTIONS:** Whether to approve the supplemental plan

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:** School Finance, Pupil Transportation & Fingerprint staff recommends adoption of the Sutherlin School District Supplemental Plan.



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May, 12, 2014

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Attn: Rob Saxton

Dear Rob,

I am submitting this letter and the attached documents in support of the "Supplemental Plan" for Morrow County School District. This plan has been developed as a result of safety concerns for our students. Please find enclosed the resolution approved by the Morrow County School District Board of Directors for the Transportation Supplemental Plan to begin with the 2014-15 school year for our district students.

This plan has been developed as a result of health and safety reasons including special education students that live within the defined walk boundaries in Boardman, Oregon. The targeted students who would be transported are students who attend Riverside Jr/Sr High School.

For students to walk to Riverside Jr/Sr High School, which is located on the North side of I-84, requires them to walk over the overpass and must walk through the off/exit ramps. This overpass is the only way for students to get to the school from the South side of I-84. With continued growth in this area, this road is heavily traveled. There are no lighted cross walks or pedestrian walkways. This plan would provide transportation for students who live on the South side of I-84 that are in the designated walk zone. The number of students affected by this request is approximately 100.

I have included two resolutions passed by the Board of Directors at their May, 12, 2014, meeting.

Also included are two maps that indicate the schools walk boundaries in blue. The shaded area that is outlined is our request for approval of the Supplemental Plan.

Should you require additional information or other documents, please contact me at 541-922-4016, extension 2012.

Sincerely,

Dirk Dirksen  
Superintendent  
Morrow County School District

Resolution #2013-14-09

**SUPPLEMENTAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN**

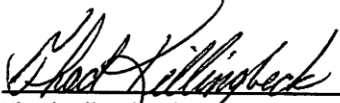
**WHEREAS**, some Boardman students live within the defined walk boundaries in Boardman, Oregon and are required to cross the I-84 overpass to attend Riverside Jr/Sr High School and;


**WHEREAS**, there are health and safety concerns for the students who must cross I-84 on a daily basis and;

**WHEREAS**, with the growth in this area, the road is heavily traveled and there are no lighted cross walks; this plan would provide transportation for students who live on the South side of I-84 that are in the designated walk zone. The number of student affected is approximately 100;

Therefore, **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Directors of Morrow County School District shall include the aforementioned students in a supplemental transportation plan for submission to the Oregon Department of Education.

Dated: May 12, 2014

  
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Thad Killingleck, Chairman of the Board

  
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Dirk Dirksen, Superintendent

