DESCHUTES & JEFFERSON COUNTY FOREST PROTECTION DISTRICT BOUNDARY CHANGE HEARING OFFICER'S REPORT

Date: March 23, 2018

To: Central Oregon District – Gordon Foster, Prineville Unit Forester

From: Tracy Wrolson

Subject: Hearing Officer's Report on ORS 477.225 Public Hearing and Written Testimony

Hearing Date: March 19, 2018

Hearing Location: Redmond City Hall, Redmond, Oregon

A public hearing called pursuant to ORS 477.225, relating to Deschutes and Jefferson County Forest Protection District boundary change, was convened at 1:25 pm on Monday, March 19, 2018. This hearing was to take testimony of the proposed district boundary change for Deschutes and Jefferson County.

People attending the hearing were asked to sign registration forms and to indicate if they wanted to present oral comments to the District. They were informed of the procedures for making oral comments and for submitting written comments.

Before receiving oral comments, I briefly summarized the purpose for the hearing, described the role and limitations of the Hearing Officer and the District. I also outlined requirements the District must adhere to when reviewing written comments submitted following the public hearing. I indicated the opportunity to submit written comments would remain open until 5:00 pm on March 23, 2018. In addition, it was noted that the proceedings of the public hearing were being recorded.

At the hearing, one person's name was entered on the public hearing testimony sign-in sheet. This individual provided an oral comment. A summary of this oral comment is located within this document. The complete audio of the public hearing is available at www.ODFcentraloregon.com.

Following the public hearing on March 23, 2018, the District received one written testimony dealing with the boundary change.

Summary of Oral Comment

<u>In favor of the boundary change:</u> One person's comments were in favor of the boundary change as this person lives within Bend city limits and has wanted to see his property removed from the District Fire Protection boundary for years.

Summary of Written Testimony

<u>In favor of the boundary change:</u> One person's written testimony was in favor of the boundary change even though it means a property tax increase for them. They feel it is a good value for the service.

Tracy Wrolson Hearing Officer

Hearing testimony sign-in sheet (1) Written Testimony (1)