# CLACKAMAS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS Study Session Worksheet

Presentation Date: January 10, 2012 Time: 10:30 am Length: 30 minutes

Presentation Title: Approval of 2012 Legislative Agendas

**Department:** Public and Government Affairs

Presenters: Gary Schmidt, Troy Rayburn, Jared Anderson

#### **POLICY QUESTION:**

Does the Board approve of the County's 2012 federal and state legislative agendas?

## **ISSUE & BACKGROUND:**

2012 will be the first of Oregon's annual state legislative sessions. The 2012 short session will last no longer than 35 days and begins February 1. It is expected that the short session will be focused primarily on adjusting the 2011-2013 state budget.

Federal funds to state and county programs are expected to decline in the 2013 federal fiscal year due to the discontinuation of appropriation requests and automatic reductions expected to federal budgets to trim the federal deficit.

With this in mind, the County's 2012 legislative agendas are streamlined and aligned with the County's strategic plan, as outlined in the attached agendas.

The County's 2012 federal and state agendas reflect feedback from the Board of Commissioners and County department directors. Feedback was obtained at study sessions in August 2011, email communications in October 2011 and a Board planning session in November 2011. On December 8, 2011 a draft of the federal and state legislative agendas were provided to the Board of Commissioners and department directors for review and comment. Today, the final federal and state legislative agendas are presented for review and approval.

### **QUESTION PRESENTED FOR CONSIDERATION:**

1. Does the Board approve of the County's 2012 federal and state legislative agendas?

#### **OPTIONS AVAILABLE:**

- 1. Approve the County's 2012 legislative agendas.
- 2. Direct staff to investigate or research additional priorities for consideration.

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# **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

Staff recommends the Board approve the County's 2012 legislative agendas. The agendas can be revised and updated throughout the year but need to be clarified as soon as possible as the state legislative session begins February 1.

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