

PORT OF HOOD RIVER

Resolution No. 2022-23-8

**Authorizing Non-Revenue Bridge Passage for Federally Recognized Tribes and
the Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission**

WHEREAS, on April 17, 2020, the Port Commission approved a policy allowing the passage of members and employees of the Confederated Bands and Tribes of the Yakama Nation over the Hood River-White Salmon Bridge (the "Bridge") without paying a toll based on a treaty reserved right to travel upon public highways free from restriction, encumbrance and precondition;

WHEREAS, on February 16, 2022, the Port Commission approved a policy allowing the passage of members and employees of the Nez Perce Tribe over the Bridge without paying a toll based on a treaty reserved right to travel upon public highways free from restriction, encumbrance and precondition;

WHEREAS, on February 7, 2023, the Port Commission approved a policy allowing the passage of members and employees of the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation over the Bridge without paying a toll based on a treaty reserved right to take fish, hunt, and gather at usual and accustomed locations along the Columbia River, and an implied right to travel upon public highways free from restriction, encumbrance, and precondition;

WHEREAS, on February 7, 2023, the Port Commission approved a policy allowing the passage of members and employees of the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon over the Bridge without paying a toll based on a treaty reserved right to take fish, hunt, and gather at usual and accustomed locations along the Columbia River, and an implied right to travel upon public highways free from restriction, encumbrance, and precondition;

WHEREAS, in addition, the Port Commission desires to extend non-revenue Bridge passage to members and employees of all federally recognized Tribes and employees of the Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission ("CRITFC");

AND, NOW THEREFORE:

The Port of Hood River Board of Commissioners RESOLVE the following:

1. Vehicles with members or employees of a federally recognized Tribe or employees of CRITFC shall present to the toll booth attendant either a current tribal enrollment card or a tribal government or CRITFC employee badge.

2. Upon confirmation of either current enrolled membership or tribal government or CRITFC employment status, the vehicle will not be charged a toll for crossing the Hood River-White Salmon Bridge.
3. Vehicles not presenting such documentation will be charged the toll and responsible individuals will be subject to enforcement in case of non-payment.

ADOPTED BY THE PORT OF HOOD RIVER BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS on this 7th day of February 2023.

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Ben Sheppard, President

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Michael Fox, Secretary