ORDINANCE NO. 153-13

AN ORDINANCE DISSOLVING THE INACTIVE SKAMOKAWA PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT

WHEREAS, on March 5, 1973, the Board of Commissioners of Wahkiakum County passed and approved a resolution establishing a park and recreation district to be known as the Skamokawa Park and Recreation District (hereafter, "the District") encompassing the area of Skamokawa Voting Precinct, pursuant to Chapter 36.69 of the Revised Code of Washington (RCW); and

WHEREAS, RCW Chapter 36.96 requires the county legislative authority to adopt an ordinance dissolving such a district upon notice from the auditor regarding inactivity of a district, once public hearings are held to determine whether the district meets the criteria of being inactive; and

WHEREAS, "Inactive" means the district has not carried out its purposes or functions for the preceding consecutive five year period; or no election for the membership of the governing body was held within the preceding consecutive seven year period; and

WHEREAS, the county legislative authority shall also make findings whether it is in the public interest for the district to be dissolved;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of Wahkiakum County:

Section 1. The Board conducted a public hearing on the dissolution of the Skamokawa Park and Recreation District on May 7, 2013 pursuant to RCW 36.96.030.

Section 2. The Wahkiakum County Auditor provided written notice to the Commission that the District has not held any elections for the governing board members in the last seven years. The Commission therefore finds the Skamokawa Park and Recreation District is "inactive" pursuant to RCW 36.96.010(3).

Section 3. The Commission finds that the dissolution of the District is in the public interest since it is defunct and therefore no longer serves the public purpose for which it was formed; since Wahkiakum County Port District No. Two more than adequately serves the park needs of the Skamokawa area and the county managed fairgrounds and the Port District-managed Skamokawa Vista Park adequately serve the recreation needs of the Skamokawa area and the small facilities of the Park and Recreation District are best used for recreational and other public purposes under the management of the County.

Section 4. The Skamokawa Park and Recreation District is hereby dissolved.

Section 5. The Clerk of the Board is directed to provide a copy of this Ordinance to the County Treasurer as required by RCW 36.96.040.
DULY PASSED AND ADOPTED this 7 day of May, 2013.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF WAHKIAKUM COUNTY, WASHINGTON

ATTEST:

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