

Jackson County Fire District 3 Jackson County Fire District 5



TO: Media partners

FROM: Board of Directors of Fire District 5 & Fire District 3

RE: Intergovernmental Agreement for Management Services

DATE: October 17, 2024

Fire District 3 & Fire District 5 sign Agreement for Management Services

White City, Ore. - The Directors of Jackson County Fire District 3 and Jackson County Fire District 5 are pleased to announce the signing of an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) aimed at enhancing regional collaboration through shared management services. The agreement becomes effective January 1, 2025. This agreement strengthens both agencies' ongoing commitment to serving the communities with efficiency, innovation and financial responsibility.

Under the IGA, administrative functions are consolidated, however, both agencies remain legally separate and governed by individual boards. Each agency will maintain their identity and personalized contribution to their respective neighborhoods. Fire District 3 will provide leadership and management support to Fire District 5.

The signing of this agreement is a significant step forward in addressing the challenges faced by Fire District 5 following recent rebuilding efforts. Both districts are committed to leveraging their combined strengths to maintain safety, improve service delivery, and enhance operational resilience. Throughout the development of the IGA, the support expressed by directors, staff, labor groups and the community was encouraging and demonstrates a unified commitment to working through tough issues and enhancing operations. The consolidation of resources, reduction in duplication and partnership in a regional protection and emergency medical services program is a prudent approach for our local governments serving the community.

Both Fire District 5 and Fire District 3 are confident that the partnership will result in long-term benefits for the communities they serve.

Additional information can be requested by email at mediarequest@jcfd3.com

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