

BEFORE THE METRO COUNCIL

FOR THE PURPOSE OF ENCOURAGING THE )	RESOLUTION NO. 96-2404
COLUMBIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS)	Introduced by Councilor
TO APPROVE EXTENDING LONE STAR NORTH-)	Rod Monroe
WEST'S AGGREGATE OPERATION )	

WHEREAS, Metro is responsible for managing population growth in the urban areas of Clackamas, Multnomah and Washington Counties; and

WHEREAS, the population in the metro region will increase by an estimated 450,000 to 500,000 by the year 2015; and

WHEREAS, aggregate will be needed for all residential, and public/private commercial and infrastructure construction to support this growth; and

WHEREAS, construction affordability will depend on aggregate being available in or in close proximity to the region; and

WHEREAS, aggregate availability is dwindling due to the closure of 20 aggregate operations in the region during the past 15 years; and

WHEREAS, Lone Star Northwest, Inc is the leading supplier of aggregate in the region, providing 15 percent of the total used, mostly from its aggregate operation in Columbia County; and

WHEREAS, Lone Star's Columbia County aggregate reserves are nearly depleted; and

WHEREAS, extending the life of Lone Star's existing operation will enable the company to use its current processing facility and barge distribution system; and

WHEREAS, Lone Star provides significant economic support to Columbia County through local employment, equipment and supply purchases, and payment of taxes; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED:

That the Metro Council encourages the Columbia County Board of Commissioners to extend Lone Star Northwest's existing aggregate operation for the future benefit of the county and the entire Metro region.

ADOPTED by the Metro Council this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 1996.

NOT ADOPTED

Jon Kvistad, Presiding Officer