Lane County Quarterly Financial Report

Quarter Ended December 31, 2015 (Second Quarter of FY 15-16)



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Executive Summary

We are pleased to present you with Lane County's Quarterly Report for the Second Quarter of Fiscal Year (FY) 15-16. This report includes national and local economic indicators, budget vs. actual expenditures, and year-over-year financial data.

The purpose of this report is to monitor the current year's budget. This report makes no representations about the level of budget or services and whether they are adequate. The County has adopted a Strategic Plan that focuses on the highest priority service areas and continues to address the declining revenues due to the loss of Federal Secure Rural Schools payments. We continue to work with community partners in the short and long term to meet the needs of residents.

This report focuses on a one year period with budget comparisons and some economic information that may prove useful in developing future budgets. To learn more about the County's overall financial health, please refer to the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, Debt Affordability Report, and Investment Report located at www.lanecounty.org/Finance. For information on the development of the County's budget and the service levels provided, please visit www.lanecounty.org/budget.

The following is a brief summary of the report:

- The cost of living in the United States decreased by a modest 0.1 percent in December, 2015. Unemployment levels at both the national and local levels continue to improve and local residential housing prices and taxable values are increasing. Building permit activity within Lane County Land Management Division between Oct-Dec 2015 showed gains of 17.7% for residential permits and an increase of 1.4% for commercial permits when comparing to the same period in 2014.
- The General Fund has received \$48.3 million, or 64.9% of its budgeted revenue.
 Property Taxes, which make up over 50% of the total revenue, were received in
 November. General Fund operating expenses for the second quarter totaled \$27.7
 million, or 43.9% of budget. Operating expenditures do not include budgeted transfers.
- Road Fund revenues totaled \$12.9 million, or 35.9% of budgeted revenue. Road Fund operating expenditures total \$16.3 million, or 47.6% of budget. Actual expenses are down in most categories for the Road Fund.

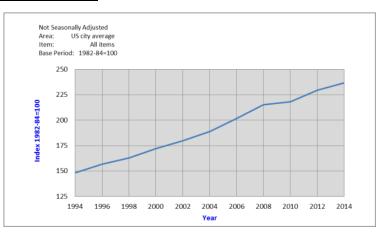
Steve Mokrohisky, County Administrator

National Economic Indicators

Consumer Price Index

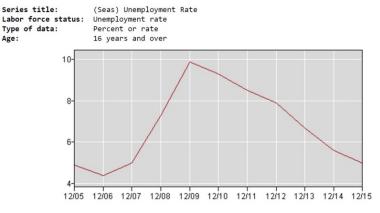
United States December 2015 Year Change	236.525 0.7%
Portland-Salem MSA Jan - June 2015 Year Change Jun - Dec 2015 Year Change	242.976 1.3% 245.405 1.1%

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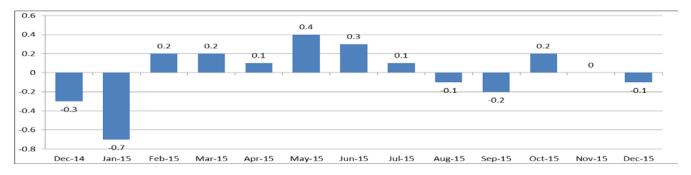
National Employment

The US Bureau of Labor Statistics reports that the national unemployment rate dropped to 5.0% in December, 2015. This is down from 5.6% in the same period last year.



Inflation

The Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI_U) decreased 0.1 percent in December (seasonally adjusted basis). Over the last 12 months, the all items index increased 07 percent.



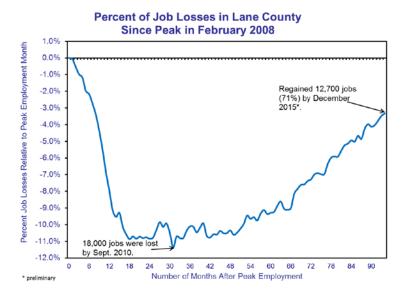
Health Insurance Costs

CPI for Medical Care gained 1.2% in the quarter ending December 2015, while Health Insurance also increased 2.2%. The annual CPI increase in Health Insurance from December 2014 to December 2015 was 3.8%. Lane County would have seen a 4.01% increase in Health rates for FY 15-16; however, this was mitigated by going self-funded on August 1, 2015.

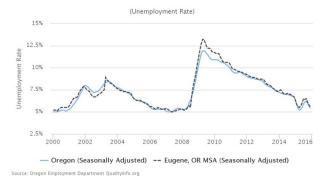
Local Economic Indicators

Employment Data

Unemployment in Lane County has decreased in the last six months. In June 2015, unemployment was 6.0% and and in September 2015, the employment rate was 6.5%. In December 2015, the unemployment rate was 5.6%



Local Area Unemployment Statistics



Unemployment in Oregon was 6.2% in September 2015 and has decreased to 5.4% in December. The National rates for the same time periods are 5.1% and 5.0% respectively.

We are almost back to prerecession levels for all other industries except

manufacturing (only down about 600 out of 10,000). Almost all remaining loss is from manufacturing. (Brian Rooney, Regional Economist)

Real Estate Statistics



The average price of a home in Lane County grew to \$244,200 in January 2016 from \$235,900 in January 2015. This is a 3.5% increase over the period. In the same comparison, the median price rose by 4.0% from \$212,000 to \$220,500.

Source: Market Action, RMLS, January 2016

<u>Building Permit</u> activity within Lane County Land Management has also shown increases for the period between October-December 2015 as compared to the same period in 2014. Residential permits have increased 17.7%, while commercial permits have increased by 1.4%. The large increase in Residential permits is likely due to favorable economic conditions creating increased demand for new housing.

ALL COUNTY FUNDS FY 15-16

					% Actual to
RESOURCES	First Quarter	Second Quarter	Year to Date	Current Budget	Budget
Beginning Fund					
Balance/Reserves	200,972,049	(950,255)	200,021,794	144,542,890	138.38%
<u>Revenues</u>					
Taxes & Assessments	1,802,776	50,838,121	52,640,898	59,880,867	87.91%
Federal Revenue	199,744	8,036,965	8,236,709	52,324,616	15.74%
State & Local Revenue	17,569,985	21,096,065	38,666,049	90,670,033	42.64%
Fees & Charges	29,504,858	33,957,949	63,462,806	122,840,834	51.66%
Other Revenues	8,044,015	7,953,258	15,997,273	31,445,504	50.87%
Total Revenue	57,121,377	121,882,358	179,003,736	357,161,854	50.12%
Transfers In	2.026.222	10 200 515	14 224 047	24 112 701	44 720/
Transfers In	3,926,333	10,308,515	14,234,847	34,113,781	41.73%
TOTAL RESOURCES	262,019,759	131,240,618	393,260,377	535,818,525	73.39%

					% Actual to
REQUIREMENTS	First Quarter	Second Quarter	Year to Date	Current Budget	Budget
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<u>Expenditures</u>					
Salaries & Wages	17,284,248	23,456,606	40,740,854	95,432,794	42.69%
Employee Benefits	12,251,936	14,767,216	27,019,153	63,960,391	42.24%
Material & Services	32,386,783	34,359,678	66,746,460	186,519,683	35.79%
Capital Expenses	4,370,957	4,183,497	8,554,454	18,757,398	45.61%
Debt Service	160,981	3,737,500	3,898,481	11,797,637	0.00%
Other Fiscal Transactions	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Total Expenditures	66,454,905	80,504,497	146,959,402	376,467,903	39.04%
Transfers Out	3,926,333	10,308,515	14,234,847	34,113,781	41.73%
Ending Fund Balance/Reserves				125,236,841	
TOTAL REQUIREMENTS	70,381,238	90,813,012	161,194,250	535,818,525	30.08%

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(9,333,528)

Net Revenue (Expense)

(19,306,049) *

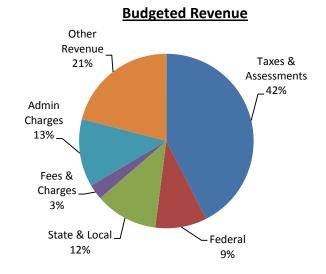
^{*}The net expense shown in the Current Budget column is the result of spending reserves, rather than new revenue, on continuing services. This is a planned spend down in many areas and represents the lag of the Secure Rural schools payments, and the receipt of multi-year grant revenues which are carried forward for multi-year service delivery.

General Fund

Positive and Within Budget

Revenues:

At the end of the second Quarter of FY 15-16, the County has received 64.9% of its budgeted annual General Fund revenue. This is an increase of .43% over the same period last year. In FY 15-16, the General Fund had a beginning unrestricted fund balance of 16.9 million, which equates to 26.5% of budget revenue The fund balance level is anticipated to decrease substantially by the end of FY 15-16 (down to 12-15%) due to the spending of the most recent Secure Rural Schools payments.



General Fund Operating				
Revenues				
Quarter ended December 31	12-13	13-14	14-15	15-16
Quarter 2 YTD Actual	45,374,641	46,186,125	47,716,425	48,263,544
Total Annual Budget	72,534,839	71,618,361	74,040,183	74,393,177
Actual as % of Budget	62.56%	64.49%	64.45%	64.88%

General Fund Operating Reve	15-16 vs. 14-1	.5 Variance				
Quarter Ended December 31	12-13	13-14	14-15	15-16	\$	%
Taxes & Assessments	30,274,712	31,190,446	32,226,696	33,939,552	1,712,856	5.32%
Federal Revenue	1,252,503	1,951,692	1,511,996	1,412,415	(99,581)	-6.59%
State & Local Revenue	4,433,962	4,013,244	4,420,284	2,695,791	(1,724,493)	-39.01%
Fees & Charges	1,476,972	1,380,311	1,193,355	1,277,259	83,904	7.03%
Administrative Charges	5,538,558	5,838,803	5,284,038	5,320,997	36,959	0.70%
All Other Revenue	2,397,934	1,811,630	3,080,055	3,617,530	537,474	17.45%
Total	45,374,641	46,186,125	47,716,425	48,263,544	547,119	1.15%

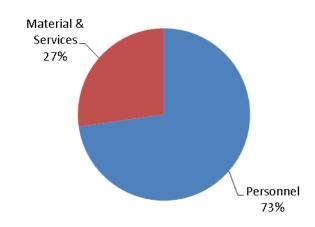
General Fund

Positive and Within Budget

Expenditures:

At the end of the second Quarter of FY 15-16, the County has expended 43.93% of its budgeted annual General Fund operating expense budget. This is an decrease of 1.0% over the same period last year. The bulk of this decrease occurs within the Personnel Services category due to a slightly higher vacancy rate than the prior year. Vacancy rates fluctuate and this change is within expected limits.

Budgeted Operating Expenses



General Fund Operating Expense	s			
Quarter Ending December 31	12-13	13-14	14-15	15-16
Quarter 2 YTD Actual	31,016,474	27,037,306	28,212,305	27,681,801
Total Annual Budget	77,744,119	68,851,186	62,772,835	63,006,745
Actual as % of Budget	39.90%	39.27%	44.94%	43.93%

General Fund Operating Expenses					15-16 vs. 14-1	5 Variance
Quarter Ended December 31	12-13	13-14	14-15	15-16	\$	%
Personnel Services	22,530,122	19,775,617	20,569,245	20,064,971	(504,275)	-2.45%
Materials & Services	8,476,351	7,222,257	7,610,134	7,616,830	6,696	0.09%
Capital Projects/Outlay	10,000	39,432	32,926	-	(32,926)	-
Total	31,016,474	27,037,306	28,212,305	27,681,801	(530,504)	-1.88%

Road Fund

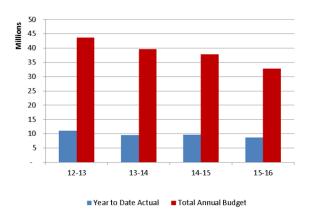
Positive and Within Budget

Revenues:

As of the end of the second Quarter of FY 15-16, the County has received 35.87% of its budgeted annual Road Fund operating revenue, which is a decrease of 1.5% over the same period last year. The net decrease of \$125,153 results from the ODOT Fund Exchange revenue that was not received in the second quarter. Budgeted operating revenue for FY 15-16 is up by 3.2% due to Highway revenue sharing and grants.

Budget v. Actual Revenue

Road Fund Expense
Total Annual Budget vs Actual Expenses Paid
as of September 30 (Quarter 1)



Road Fund Operating Revenues	12-13	13-14	14-15	15-16
Quarter 2 YTD Actual	12,528,646	12,952,002	13,106,041	12,980,888
Total Annual Budget	36,581,306	34,205,498	35,074,003	36,187,650
Actual as % of Budget	34.25%	37.87%	37.37%	35.87%

Road Fund Operating Revenues					15-16 vs. 14-1	.5 Variance
Quarter Ended December 31th	12-13	13-14	14-15	15-16	\$	%
SRS/Federal Timber Receipts	=	-	-	-	-	
State Highway Fund Transfer	7,811,872	8,249,199	8,026,297	8,189,995	163,698	2.049
Other Intergovernmental	1,786,594	1,767,908	2,336,920	1,524,055	(812,865)	-34.789
Fees and Charges	769,451	413,079	522,080	699,800	177,720	34.049
Property Sales & Rentals	304,053	481,105	201,184	599,598	398,415	198.049
Department Indirect Revenue	1,621,823	1,893,981	1,876,984	1,831,640	(45,344)	-2.429
Other Revenues	234,853	146,730	142,577	135,799	(6,778)	-4.75
Total	12,528,646	12,952,002	13,106,041	12,980,888	(125,153)	-0.95%

Road Fund

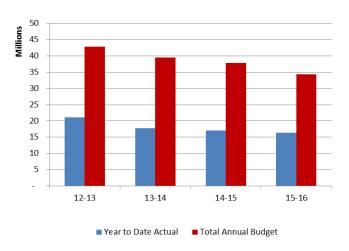
Positive and Within Budget

Expenditures:

As of the end of the second Quarter of FY 15-16, the County has expended 47.6% of its budgeted annual Road Fund operating expense budget. This is an increase of 2.56% over the same period last year due to decreases in both budget and actual expenses from the previous year. Actual expenses are down by \$728,309 over the same period last year, including an increase in Capital Projects for annual overlay projects and the Row River project that was funded through grants. The FY 15-16 Operating Expense Budget was reduced by 13.14% from FY 14-15.

Budget v. Actual Operating Expenses

Road Fund Expense
Total Annual Budget vs Actual Expenses Paid
as of December 31 (Quarter 2)



Road Fund Operating Expenses	12.12	40.44	4445	45.44
Quarter Ended December 31	12-13	13-14	14-15	15-16
Quarter 2 YTD Actual	21,049,930	17,714,088	17,045,640	16,317,331
Total Annual Budget	42,881,744	39,489,984	37,843,255	34,278,342
Actual as % of Budget	49.09%	44.86%	45.04%	47.60%

Capital Projects/Outlay Total	5,786,284 21,049,930	3,187,955 17,714,088	2,210,345 17,045,640	3,735,828 16,317,331	1,525,483 (728,309)	69.02% -4.27 %
Materials & Services	7,643,696	6,576,950	6,967,659	5,534,184	(1,433,475)	-20.57%
Personnel Services	7,619,951	7,949,183	7,867,636	7,047,319	(820,317)	-10.43%
Quarter Ended December 31	12-13	13-14	14-15	15-16	\$	%
Road Fund Operating Expenses					15-16 vs. 14-15	Variance

Road Fund Net Operating Balance	40.40	40.44	4445	4- 40
Quarter Ended December 31	12-13	13-14	14-15	15-16
YTD Actual	(8,521,285)	(4,762,086)	(3,939,598)	(3,336,443
Total Annual Budget	(6,300,438)	(5,284,486)	(2,769,252)	1,909,308
Actual as % of budget	135.25%	90.11%	142.26%	-174.75%