

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
LEWIS COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

IN THE MATTER OF:

APPROVE A FRANCHISE RENEWAL TO MIDDLE
FORK WATER SYSTEM TO INSTALL, CONSTRUCT,
OPERATE AND MAINTAIN WATER AND SEWER
SYSTEM FACILITIES WITHIN COUNTY ROAD
RIGHTS OF WAY

RESOLUTION NO. 26-244

WHEREAS, Lewis County Code 12.20 and RCW 36.55 require that all utility installations in Lewis County road rights of way be authorized by a franchise from Lewis County; and

WHEREAS, an application for a franchise renewal has been received by the Board of County Commissioners from Middle Fork Water System for installation, construction, operation, and maintenance of water and sewer system facilities within the road rights of way of unincorporated Lewis County; and

WHEREAS, a hearing was set for July 28, 2026, via Resolution No. 26-194, dated June 23, 2026, all required notices were given to the public, and the BOCC conducted the hearing on July 28, 2026.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Board of County Commissioners hereby approves the resolution to grant a franchise to Middle Fork Water System, for installation, construction, operation and maintenance of water and sewer system facilities within the road rights of way of unincorporated Lewis County; approves the attached nonexclusive franchise agreement; and authorizes the BOCC to sign the agreement.

DONE IN OPEN SESSION this 28th day of July, 2026.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
Jonathan Meyer, Prosecuting Attorney

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
LEWIS COUNTY, WASHINGTON

David Bailey
By: David Bailey,
Chief Civil Deputy Prosecuting Attorney

Lindsey R. Pollock, DVM
Lindsey R. Pollock, DVM, Chair

ATTEST:



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Scott J. Brummer, Vice Chair

Rieva Lester, CMC
Rieva Lester, CMC,
Clerk of the Lewis County Board of
County Commissioners

Sean D. Swope
Sean D. Swope, Commissioner