RESOLUTION NO. 1451

A RESOLUTION DEFINING NET NEUTRALITY REQUIREMENTS FOR THE USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT BROADBAND RECONNECT PROGRAM APPLICATION

WHEREAS, Public Utility District No. 2 of Pacific County is applying to the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) for a recoverable grant under the Rural Development Broadband ReConnect Program; and

WHEREAS, the District is a fiber broadband provider that promotes net neutrality; and

WHEREAS, the District commits that it's network shall not block lawful content, applications, services, or non-harmful devices, subject to reasonable network management; and

WHEREAS, the District commits that it's network will not impair or degrade lawful Internet traffic on the basis of Internet content, application, or service, or use of a non-harmful device, subject to reasonable network management; and

WHEREAS, the District will not engage in paid prioritization, meaning the management of a broadband provider's network to favor some traffic over other traffic directly or indirectly, including through use of techniques such as traffic shaping, prioritization, resource reservation, or other forms of preferential traffic management, either (a) in exchange for consideration (monetary or otherwise) from a third-party, or (b) to benefit an affiliated entity; and

NOW THEREFORE, the Board of Commissioners of Public Utility District No. 2 of Pacific County agree that the performance of the fiber broadband network will meet all net neutrality standards as mentioned in connection with the USDA Rural Development Broadband ReConnect Program application and acceptance if awarded.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Commissioners of Public Utility District No. 2 of Pacific County, Washington this 15th day of February 2022.

President

ATTEST:

Vice President

Secretary