

PORT OF COLUMBIA

**1 Port Way
Dayton, WA 99328**

RESOLUTION No. 2025-02

A RESOLUTION of the Port of Columbia Board of Commissioners ("Port Commission") authorizing the submission of a grant to the USDA Rural Business Development Program for improvements to BMS Building #2.

WHEREAS, the Port of Columbia's mission is to maximize public resources and private investment to create jobs, provide infrastructure, and maintain and improve the economic vitality of Columbia County and its communities; and

WHEREAS, the Port has constructed the Blue Mountain Station Food Processing Park as part of its mission to create jobs and develop a value-added business park; and

WHEREAS, the Port conducted a feasibility study on the idea of creating a grain cluster at Blue Mountain Station; and

WHEREAS, one of the findings of the feasibility study was that the location of a pasta business would be a good fit for the grain cluster; and

WHEREAS, Esotico Pasta has expressed their desire to expand their business to Blue Mountain Station; and


WHEREAS, Port owns BMS Building #2 that has the appropriate square footage to house the pasta business if certain improvements are made.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Port of Columbia Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes staff to submit an application for funding to the USDA's Rural Business Development Program for improvements to BMS Building #2 to accommodate the expansion of Esotico Pasta to Blue Mountain Station.

Adopted this 12th day of February, 2025 by the Port of Columbia Board of Commissioners

PORT OF COLUMBIA BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

By: 
Seth Bryan, Chair

By: 
Johnny Watts

By: 
Mike Spring