CITY OF COOS BAY CITY COUNCIL Agenda Staff Report

	MEETING DATE May 7, 2013	AGENDA ITEM NUMBER
то:	Mayor Shoji and City Council	

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ISSUE: Proclamation for National Public Works Week

BACKGROUND:

National Public Works Week is observed each year during the third full week of May. The week of May 19-25, 2013, which has been designated Public Works Week, has as its theme "Because of Public Works...". The theme is about the quality of life brought to communities around the world. We are able to have clean water, safe streets and neighborhoods, efficient traffic and safe clean communities. This annual observation was established by President John F. Kennedy in 1960 to increase awareness of the contribution of Public Works to communities all over the United States.

The City of Coos Bay will have a booth at the Farmers Market on Wednesday May 22nd. This will be the second consecutive year that the City will support National Public Works Week by providing information to the community on new projects and items that the City is working on.

ADVANTAGES;

Through National Public Works Week and other efforts, American Public Works Association seeks to raise the public's awareness of public works issues and to increase confidence in public works employees who are dedicated to improving the quality of life for present and future generations.

DISADVANTAGES:

Staff sees no disadvantages.

BUDGET:

N/A

RECOMMENDATION:

We respectfully request that the attached Proclamation for National Public Works Week be adopted by City Council.



WHEREAS, public works services provided in our community are an integral part of our citizens' everyday lives; and

WHEREAS, the support of an understanding and informed citizenry is vital to the efficient operation of public works systems and programs such as storm water, sewers, parks, streets, public buildings, and other public infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the health, safety, well-being, and comfort of this community greatly depends on these facilities and services; and

WHEREAS, the quality and effectiveness of these facilities, as well as their planning, design, and construction is vitally dependent upon the efforts, ethics, and skill of public works officials; and

WHEREAS, the efficiency of the qualified and dedicated personnel who staff public works department is materially influenced by the people's attitude and understanding of the importance of the work they perform; and

NOW, THERFORE IT IS PROCLAIMED, I, Crystal Shoji, Mayor of Coos Bay do herby proclaim the week of May 19-25, 2013 to be:

National Public Works Week

in the City of Coos Bay, and call upon all citizens and civic organizations to acquaint themselves with the issues involved in providing our public works and to recognize the contributions which public works officials make every day to our health, safety, comfort, and quality of life.



In witness thereof, I hereunto set my hand and cause the seal of the City of Coos Bay to be affixes on this 7th day of May 2013.

Crystal Shoji, Mayor