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County Service Districts



Districts meet our community needs

- *67 county service districts exist throughout the state, authorized to provide over 20 different types of services in a county or counties, including:*
 - Drainage
 - Water supply
 - Sewage works
 - Library services
 - Parks and recreation
 - Diking and flood control
 - Roads
 - Street lighting
 - Transportation
 - Animal control
 - Law enforcement
 - Cemetery maintenance
 - Vector control
 - Fire prevention
 - Human services
 - Emergency medical services
 - Hospital and ambulance services
 - Agricultural educational extension services
- *Independent local governments and not part of a local city or county.*
- *Provide one or more service, unlike other Oregon special districts who provide one major service.*
- *Provide important police protection services for some Oregonians residing in rural or unincorporated areas.*
- *Receive tax revenues based on voter-approved permanent rate per \$1,000 in assessed property value within a defined geographic area and/or impose service or user charges.*
- *Governed by the board of county commissioners.*
- *District board is completely responsible for personnel administration, financial administration, and seeing that the requirements of laws governing areas ranging from public records and public meetings to civil rights are met.*