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**Oregon to Receive \$6,245,153 from Interior Under Federal PILT Program**

Secretary of the Interior Gale A. Norton today announced that **Oregon** will receive **\$6,245,153** under the Payment In Lieu of Taxes Act to compensate county governments whose jurisdictions contain tax-exempt Federal lands.

“These important dollars help States offset the loss of tax revenues to counties that contain Federal lands,” Norton said. “This money helps pay for essential services such as firefighting, search-and-rescue operations, and a host of other badly needed on-the-ground services.”

The money distributed to **Oregon** will go to **35** counties eligible under the PILT program for tax revenue lost because of the federal land in their jurisdiction. The **\$6,245,153** that **Oregon** receives this year represents a \$234,883, or 4 percent increase over Fiscal Year 2003. The counties receiving the largest payments are Harney, Lake, and Malheur.

The Bureau of Land Management in Oregon and Washington has responsibility for 16 million acres of public lands and about 23 million acres of sub-surface federal mineral estate in the two states. The BLM, an agency of the U.S. Department of the Interior, manages 261 million acres of public lands, primarily in the 12 Western states, including Alaska. The Bureau also administers 700 million acres of sub-surface mineral estate throughout the nation. The BLM’s multiple-use mission is to sustain the health and productivity of the public lands for the use and enjoyment of present and future generations. The Bureau accomplishes this by managing such activities as outdoor recreation, livestock grazing, mineral development, and energy production, and by conserving natural, historical, cultural and other resources on the public lands.

<b>Summary by State and County Fiscal Year 2004</b>		
<b>OREGON</b>		
<b>County</b>	<b>Payment</b>	<b>Total Acres</b>
BAKER COUNTY	\$343,560.00	1,020,693
BENTON COUNTY	\$3,855.00	20,327
CLACKAMAS COUNTY	\$98,998.00	521,992
CLATSOP COUNTY	\$501.00	359
COLUMBIA COUNTY	\$0.00	1
COOS COUNTY	\$12,815.00	67,573
CROOK COUNTY	\$178,239.00	939,816
CURRY COUNTY	\$112,030.00	590,707
DESCHUTES COUNTY	\$271,863.00	1,433,476
DOUGLAS COUNTY	\$180,023.00	949,221

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<b>County</b>	<b>Payment</b>	<b>Total Acres</b>
GILLIAM COUNTY	\$47,056.00	34,616
GRANT COUNTY	\$332,044.00	1,750,793
HARNEY COUNTY	\$577,210.00	4,466,344
HOOD RIVER COUNTY	\$39,025.00	205,773
JACKSON COUNTY	\$87,360.00	460,631
JEFFERSON COUNTY	\$56,344.00	297,088
JOSEPHINE COUNTY	\$66,396.00	350,091
KLAMATH COUNTY	\$409,560.00	2,159,522
LAKE COUNTY	\$577,210.00	3,703,245
LANE COUNTY	\$259,698.00	1,369,332
LINCOLN COUNTY	\$34,980.00	184,443
LINN COUNTY	\$90,279.00	476,022
MALHEUR COUNTY	\$1,418,226.00	4,300,684
MARION COUNTY	\$38,766.00	204,378
MORROW COUNTY	\$39,924.00	149,960
MULTNOMAH COUNTY	\$14,400.00	75,930
POLK COUNTY	\$0.00	435
SHERMAN COUNTY	\$73,932.00	53,672
TILLAMOOK COUNTY	\$17,621.00	92,913
UMATILLA COUNTY	\$128,081.00	418,790
UNION COUNTY	\$405,389.00	624,346
WALLOWA COUNTY	\$221,494.00	1,167,805
WASCO COUNTY	\$42,016.00	221,541
WASHINGTON COUNTY	\$3,639.00	2,608
WHEELER COUNTY	\$57,728.00	301,926

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<b>County</b>	<b>Payment</b>	<b>Total Acres</b>
YAMHILL COUNTY	\$4,891.00	25,790
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$6,245,153.00</b>	<b>28,642,843</b>

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