

## **CIS Grants Improved Security, Weather Protection and Access to City Equipment**

Halsey City Administrator Judy Cleeton's ears perked up when she heard about grant funds aimed at helping cities improve citizen safety and reduce insurance losses. Cleeton did some research and, along with other city leaders, helped secure a Risk Management Grant for Halsey from City County Insurance Services (CIS).

CIS granted \$1,098 toward a new pole building on the Halsey public works shop property. The building will shelter valuable equipment, currently parked in an open yard, subject to weather and vandalism. Engineering for the project is complete. Construction is set to begin in September.

City leaders determined that a new storage building would protect valuable city assets and save tax-payer money in the long run. Construction funds for the building were not in the current budget, however. The project might well have remained a twinkle in the eye of Halsey officials, were it not for the CIS grant.

"The City was very pleased to learn about the Risk Management grant," Cleeton says, "The grant funding has helped expedite this project."

CIS' Risk Management Grant program is designed to help its smaller members avoid expensive claims by accomplishing specific loss control activities. Halsey is one of the 395 member-owners of CIS, which was formed in 1981 by the League of Oregon Cities and the Association of Oregon Counties. CIS provides Oregon cities, counties, and associated public entities with a wide array of risk management and insurance services to meet their property, liability, workers' compensation, and employee benefits needs.

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