

MULTNOMAH COUNTY

**CANDIDATE'S STATEMENT FOR COUNTY VOTERS' PAMPHLET**

ELECTION DATE: <u>May 21, 2013</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Statement <input type="checkbox"/> Amended Statement
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Name of Candidate (as it will appear on ballot) <b>Robert 'Bob' Churnside</b>	Address <b>28626 E. Woodard Road Troutdale, Oregon 97060</b>
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Filing for: Office of Commissioner  
 Name of County/City/District Corbett Water District  
 Number of Position/Zone if applicable #4

This information furnished by (Name of Candidate or Committee as it should appear in voters' pamphlet)  
**Robert 'Bob' Churnside**

**Attached to be included in the Candidate's Statement for the candidate listed above:**

Required information

- Occupation (present employment paid or unpaid), or the word "None"
- Occupational Background (previous employment paid or unpaid), or the word "None"
- Educational Background, or the word "None"
- Prior Governmental Experience (elected or appointed), or the word "None"

Optional Information

Statement(s) of Endorsement, if applicable (number filed: \_\_\_\_\_)

Photograph

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By signing this document, I hereby state:  
 All information provided by me on this form (MCED 009) is true to the best of my knowledge and the photograph I have provided, if any, is less than four (4) years old.

 _____ Signature of Candidate or Agent on behalf of Candidate	<u>March 24, 2013</u> _____ Date Signed
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(971) 404-0350  
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 Phone Number of Agent (if applicable)

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# **ROBERT (BOB) CHURNSIDE**

**OCCUPATION:** Project Superintendent  
for Moore Excavation, Cattle  
Rancher.

**OCCUPATIONAL  
BACKGROUND:** Construction  
of underground utilities.

**EDUCATIONAL  
BACKGROUND:** Rex Putnam  
High School.

**PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE:** Commissioner,  
Corbett Water District

The Corbett Water District is a great success story, having corrected many problems within our modest means. As one of your Commissioners for the last four years, I'm proud of what we have accomplished. We have some of the best quality and safest drinking water anywhere.

A decade ago, the District had many leaking pipes, a failing treatment plant, and inadequate water storage. We faced millions of dollars in expenses that our 1,000 customers simply could not afford. I supported the District's Do-It-Yourself approach, where District Staff installed new high-quality pipe that will last a century and only contracted jobs too big for Staff like a new reservoir and modern filtration plant.

I also supported installing new hydroelectric generators which now reduce District power bills.

It is amazing that we managed to do so much and still halt the rapid escalation of water rates. Efficient use of your money is my continuing goal.

My occupation is installing large underground water systems for cities with large budgets like Portland. When they need something done, they just float another bond issue that raises property taxes. That is not the Corbett approach.

We are well on our way to addressing decaying infrastructure, but we need to sustain the effort. Our least-cost approach requires steady effort over many years.

Although my substantial practical experience with water systems and my long residence in the District are important considerations, I realize that my fundamental job is to protect the public's money by supporting wise decisions and demanding complete accountability. We are fortunate to have an excellent staff that is well paid for quality work. We are proud of them.

With your support, we can continue rebuilding our water system to be modern, efficient, and cost-effective.

Thank you for honoring me with your vote.