

Lake County Board of Commissioners

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Senator Betsy Johnson 900 Court Street NE, S-209 Salem, OR 97301 Representative David Gomberg 900 Court Street NE, H-471 Salem, OR 97301

Dear Co-Chairs Senator Johnson and Representative Gomberg,

The Lake County Board of Commissioners would like to confirm our support for the Governor's Regional Solutions Teams (RST) and project funding especially within rural areas.

We recognize the importance of putting dollars on the ground with local authority to allow for highest priorities to receive funding at least at minimum levels within the State by region. We have found a true benefit in the role our RST has played in bringing pivotal parties to the table to discuss and find solutions to issues impacting our own rural communities.

The Governor's RST within Lake County alone has brought about such opportunities as our ability to address DEQ air quality concerns by assisting with wood stove change outs, the development of our local Innovation and Learning Center and the collaboration of partnerships with State and Federal agencies for future planning.

Lake County asks for your continued support of the Governor's Regional Solution Teams and the positive, beneficial community projects they continue to address. Our sincere hope is to see these programs continue.

Sincerely

Dan Shoun

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