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Dear Members of the Ways & Means Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development,

I would like to confirm my support for the Governor's Regional Solutions Teams (RST) and project funding especially within rural areas.

I recognize the importance of putting dollars on the ground with local authorities to allow for the 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 Yamhill County alone has brought about opportunities in Newberg with advancing the WestRock site and investing in transportation capacity, Carlton with key water infrastructure investments, McMinnville with economic development opportunities, and Sheridan with business redevelopments. On a county wide scale, RST has actively supported Yamhill County's Economic Vitality Summits and economic development opportunities in the agricultural sector.

I appreciate your continued support of the Governor's Regional Solutions Teams and the positive, beneficial community projects they continue to address. My sincere hope is to see these programs continue.

Sincerely,

Stan Primozich, Chair

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