

Greetings and Thank you Co-Chair Senator Girod, Co-Chair Representative Holvey, and Committee Members, for the opportunity to provide testimony today. I am Lorna Davis, Port Manager of the Port of Toledo.

Identified in the Port's 2018, 5-year, Strategic Business Plan, the Port of Toledo Sanitary Sewer Extension project will connect Port facilities to City sewer services. The Port's Shipyard and Industrial Park are located within Toledo's city limits, but currently have no sewer service. The Port has completed preliminary engineering to install a system of sewer lines with pumps to extend from the Shipyard to the Industrial Park, then to the City Sewer connection. The system requires 4,750 feet of main line, 3 pump stations, 3 solid tanks, and will cross the railroad twice, cross the county road and a bridge before connecting to the City's designated connection point.

Expansion of the shipyard, supported by the State of Oregon, has resulted in the shipyard becoming a major economic contributor to the region. The shipyard is the only haul-out facility on the Yaquina River and provides services critical to retaining the region's significant commercial fleet. The Shipyard currently employs 30 and supports 39 locally owned marine service businesses.

The expansion of the Port's Industrial Park will attract new marine service businesses and support the growth of maritime service industry. Additionally, the Welding Laboratory-located at the Industrial Park is a partnership program of the Oregon Coast Community College, Lincoln County School District, and the Port. The vocational program has the capacity for 12 students, and currently has a waiting list of over 120. The lack of city sewer connectivity is costly and inefficient, causing the Port to use holding tanks and portable toilets, and severely limits expansion at the Industrial Park.

Project Schedule:

Preliminary Engineering/Design Completed. Submitting for County Building Permits.

Railroad permits submitted. Allow 60 days for processing

DEQ Land Use Compatibility Statement - Completed

City of Toledo Floodplain Development Permit- FP-1-21

Start Date: Immediate, pending funding and receipt of permits named above

Best Regards,
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