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**Clackamas County Board of Commissioners
Policy Position
National Policy Consensus Center**

The Board of County Commissioners supports continued funding of the National Policy Consensus Center (NPCC), which convenes the Oregon Solutions and Oregon Consensus programs.

These programs are vital to the success of projects in Clackamas County and throughout Oregon. Oregon Solution helps communities – including counties – implement solutions to local problems by way of helping parties reach commitments to projects, while Oregon Consensus is able to provide unbiased support that enables governments and stakeholders avoid conflicts or find resolutions to challenging public policy issues.

With the support of these programs, Clackamas County has resolved challenging issues and advanced key community projects, including: the Willamette Falls Locks State Commission, the Clackamas County ONESop, and Clackamas County Wastewater Governance, among others.

Oregon's NPCC programs are able to do work and ask questions that stakeholders in the midst of challenging hurdles, dispute resolution, or project impasses can simply miss. They provide a critical resource to launching much needed projects, resolving conflict between agencies, and improving overall the services that are available to Oregonians statewide.

We urge your support to keep these vital programs.

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