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The Eastern Oregon Livestock Show in Union, Oregon is a diverse event that benefits our entire region. The blend of week long youth 4-H and FFA activities and our four-day PRCA rodeo is the largest attended event in Union County. The EOLS has been operating continuously for over 100 years and is 100% volunteer powered. The importance of rodeos like the Eastern Oregon Livestock Show, in small communities, can not be understated. The EOLS benefits hundreds of youth every year and is a family friendly event that supports our communities values as well as heritage.

SB 771 will provide incredibly needed support to better maintain existing structures to ensure the safety of rodeo participants and volunteers. It will help rodeo committees to improve and/or expand their spaces to meet the demands of increasing attendance. At the EOLS our grand stands are very old and replacing them is eminent. Please accept this testimony in complete support of SB 771.

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