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On Behalf Of:	
Committee:	House Committee On Economic Development, Small Business, and Trade
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I am writing to express my full support for the proposed legislation which appropriates funds from the General Fund to the Oregon Department of Administrative Services (DAS) for distribution to the Union County Fair Association. These funds will be used to support much-needed water and sewer improvements to the Union County Fairgrounds.

The Union County Fair has long been an essential event for our community, providing opportunities for local youth, farmers, artisans, and families to come together and celebrate the region's agricultural heritage. However, the fairgrounds are in dire need of infrastructure improvements to continue hosting these important events. The allocation of funds for water and sewer upgrades is crucial in ensuring that the Union County Fairgrounds can accommodate the growing needs of our community, maintain the safety and well-being of visitors, and comply with necessary health and safety regulations.

By providing these funds through DAS, the state is making an investment in the longterm success of the fairgrounds, which will not only benefit the Union County Fair Association but also contribute to the region's overall economic development. This investment will enhance the fairgrounds' ability to host a wider variety of events and attract more visitors, thereby creating additional opportunities for local businesses and strengthening the local economy.

I strongly urge you to support this legislation, which will ensure the continued success of the Union County Fair and contribute to the ongoing growth and development of our community.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely, Ruth Becker Peters