



Port of Brookings Harbor

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Testimony of Travis Webster

Port Manager

Joint Transportation Committee

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Senate Bill 361

Co-Chair Senator Chris Gorsek and Representative Susan McLain and committee members:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on behalf of the Port of Brookings Harbor regarding Senate Bill 361. Each year the Port receives runoff sediment debris from private, ODOT and County property streams and culverts covering over 1,000 acres, contributing to the annual 4,000 cubic yards of sediment into the Port. The Port has over 90,000 cubic yards to remove from the basins from the latest bathymetric survey. The Port has lost moorage revenues from sediment build up impacting floating docks and preventing the use of those docks. The loss is approximately \$18,000 per year for the last five years. This funding will help offset some of the dredging costs that the Port incurs every year.

Thank you for the opportunity to address the Committee. We appreciate your consideration and respectfully ask for your support to Senate Bill 361