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Dear Senator Bonham and Representative Helfrich,

I am writing to express my support for the City of Mosier's Capital Construction request of \$2.5 million for the Mosier Center, a critical Wildfire public safety facility and economic hub for our community.

My wife and I have owned a home just east of Mosier since 2019 and we are active volunteers in the community. In the short time we have been a part of this wonderful community, we have seen first-hand the impacts wildfires have had on Mosier. Evacuations, rolling power outages and smoke have plagued Mosier in three of the past four summers. Our local businesses have suffered significant economic losses due to these events.

There is no question the current fire facilities are antiquated and too small to house modern firefighting equipment. Mosier Fire District desperately needs a modern fire facility that can house the types of equipment needed to fight wildfires. Mosier Center will provide a centralized, fully equipped facility that will result in improved wildfire response times, immediate access to specialty equipment and a central/accessible command center and shelter.

Please help us make Mosier Center a reality for the safety of our residents and the vitality of our community.

Sincerely,

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