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I am submitting this testimony in support of Row River Fire's efforts to gain funding for their first fire station. Our District has invested greatly in the formation and continued success of this newly formed fire district. This is an area at great risk for wildland fire and structural loss. Having a newly formed fire district for the first time in almost 40 years is a major milestone in Oregon. Providing funding for a new fire station will greatly enhance the abilities of this fledgling district. We provide automatic aid to this area, and I have seen firsthand the impact they are already having on the community. Please fund this request.

John Wooten Fire Chief