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## **RE: Support for Clear Lake Road Infrastructure Funding Request**

Dear Co-Chairs Girod and Nosse, and Members of the Capital Construction Subcommittee,

My name is JJ Urhausen, and I am the Chief Executive Officer of Deployed Logix, a global leader in rapidly deployable emergency response solutions. We are proud to be headquartered right here in Eugene, Oregon, where we design and deliver mission-ready equipment to serve first responders, military operations, medical teams, and humanitarian organizations around the world.

I am writing today to express my strong support for funding the Clear Lake Industrial Area Infrastructure Project in the upcoming capital construction budget.

As a Eugene-based company operating at the intersection of innovation, manufacturing, and public service, Deployed Logix understands both the challenges and the opportunities facing our local economy. Eugene has the talent, the entrepreneurial spirit, and the strategic location to compete on a global stage — but without investment in core infrastructure, our region risks missing out on critical opportunities for growth.

The Clear Lake Industrial Area represents over **600** acres of industrially zoned land that has the potential to support up to **6,000** new jobs and attract transformative private investment into advanced manufacturing, clean technology, and other emerging industries. But today, this area remains undeveloped and underutilized, largely because it lacks the basic infrastructure — wastewater, stormwater, utilities, and transportation access — that companies need to grow and thrive.

As a local employer, I can tell you that these kinds of public investments are not just about big-picture economic development — they are about creating an ecosystem that supports innovation, entrepreneurship, and long-term community resilience. A stronger industrial base means more local jobs, more local suppliers, and more opportunities for companies like Deployed Logix to stay and grow in the community we are proud to call home.

I understand that legislators face many competing funding requests this session, especially in a fiscally cautious climate. But I believe the Clear Lake Infrastructure Project is a high-impact, high-return investment that will pay dividends for Eugene, Lane County, and the entire state for decades to come.

On behalf of Deployed Logix and our team, I respectfully urge you to prioritize this critical infrastructure funding and help position Eugene to lead in the next generation of innovation and economic growth.

Thank you for your leadership and for considering this important request. Please feel free to reach out if I can provide additional insights from the perspective of a local advanced manufacturing and emergency response company.

Sincerely,

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