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On Behalf Of: Osborn Aquatic Center  
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Capital Construction  
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Please support the rebuilding or replacement of the Osborne Aquatic Center. It was great to have a full sized pool in that part of Oregon.

I live in Beaverton and my son has been club swimming for eight years. A few times a year we would drive down and stay a couple of nights for a swim meet (and the Old Spaghetti Factory). It was always a quick and fun trip. Southern and Central Oregon need more full sized pools. Without Osborne, swim meets cannot accommodate the demand for all teams, especially in the summer.

These athletes work hard (3 hours a day x 6 times a week) and when they can't get into meets it's very discouraging. They are a good set of kids who are bonded by their time together. Their friendship crosses high-schools and almost any imaginal difference seen in society.

I know the budget situation is tough these days, but the financial impact to the local businesses and the wider impact to the social fabric of the PNW families compelled me to voice my support.

Please work with your colleagues to support a better Osborne!

With Upmost Respect,  
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