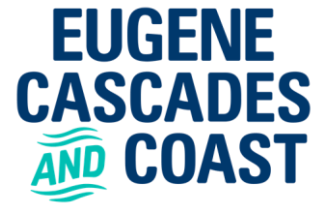


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Joint Committee on Transportation
Hearing Room F
Oregon State Capitol
901 State Street
Salem, OR 97301

Co-Chairs Gorsek and McLain, Co-Vice Chairs Starr and Boshart Davis and members of the Joint Committee on Transportation,

Travel Lane County supports public transportation services funded through the State Transportation Improvement Fund (STIF). These funds have been essential in sustaining operations for the Link Lane service, which connects the Eugene-Springfield metro area to Florence and north to Yachats. While this is just one of several critical transit services in our region, it has had a particularly positive impact on travel and tourism for both residents and visitors in Lane County.

Affordable, reliable, and safe public transportation options—such as Link Lane—are vital to the health of our communities and our local economy. Travel Lane County promotes the region as “Eugene, Cascades & Coast,” and this route plays a key role in knitting together the diverse communities that make up our county and linking them to the broader state.

By connecting smaller coastal towns like Florence and Yachats to the metro area, Link Lane supports sustainable economic growth, encourages car-free travel, and provides an essential mobility option for individuals who are transportation-disadvantaged. Continued investment in services like this is crucial to ensuring equitable access and long-term vitality for our region.

Travel Lane County encourage the Joint Transportation Committee to maintain STIF funding for critical public transportation services in our region and the state.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Andy Vobora". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Andy Vobora
VP of Stakeholder Relations
Travel Lane County