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House Energy and Environment Committee
900 Court St. NE,
Salem, Oregon 97301

Re: Proposed Amendments to HB 3030

Linn County supports those aspects of House Bill 3030 that serve to recapitalize the Brownfields Redevelopment Fund administered by the Oregon Business Development Department ("Business Oregon").

In March 2013, Linn County received a \$60,000 Brownfields Redevelopment Fund technical assistance grant to assist with the County's efforts to complete cleanup work at a former quarry property in Sweet Home. The County had foreclosed on the quarry property and adjacent properties due to the tax delinquency of a former owner. Thanks to the award of this grant, the County looks forward to completing the cleanup and seeing this property put back into productive use.

We believe the Brownfields Redevelopment Fund is an economic winner for local communities and the State of Oregon. Recapitalization of the Brownfields Redevelopment Fund is needed in order to continue the successes of this much-utilized program. It will allow Business Oregon to continue assisting private parties, non-profit organizations, and local governments with financing to evaluate, remediate and redevelop brownfields and to prime these sites for economic growth.

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Roger Nyquist
Chairman

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