



Chair Beyer and Members of the
Senate Business and Transportation Committee
Oregon State Capitol
900 State Street, NE
Salem, OR 97301

Dear Chair Beyer and Members of the Committee:

I apologize for not being able to attend today's hearing on SB 260 which would authorize the issuance of lottery bonds for the fifth consecutive legislative session for non-roadway transportation projects, otherwise commonly known as ConnectOregon V.

The Oregon Public Ports Association fully supports this bill and hopes that the Legislature can find additional funding to make needed investments in our transportation infrastructure beyond what the Governor has proposed. Oregon Ports have been a beneficiary of this program since its inception. Our ports are a key economic driver in local communities and statewide and will continue to be provided that our transportation system remains efficient and competitive with other ports along the West Coast.

Port related projects that have been funded through this program have reduced the costs of transporting goods for Oregon businesses, have resulted in economic benefits to the state, and have improved the connectivity of our multimodal transportation system. But we must continue to improve our non-roadway transportation system in order maintain our competitiveness. For that reason and others we remain committed and supportive of the ConnectOregon program and the process by-which projects are selected.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark Landauer". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Mark Landauer
Executive Director
Oregon Public Ports Association