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To: Ways and Means Full Committee
From: Natural Resources Subcommittee
Re: Department of Agriculture Dairy Marketing Grant

Senator Girod: “On June 5th, the Natural Resources Subcommittee recommended approval of the submission of a federal grant application from the Oregon Department of Agriculture to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration in the amount of \$149,000 for marketing of dairy products.

The Federal-State Marketing Improvement Program grant funds will be used to support a regional initiative that supports the Oregon dairy industry’s export efforts. ODA will work collaboratively with the Oregon Dairy Products Commission to expand the program to the states of Washington, Idaho, Utah, and Arizona. The U.S. Dairy Export Council will contribute \$258,000 in cash and in-kind support to assist in providing training, market access, and connections to available assistance and resources.

The Natural Resources Subcommittee recommends approval.”