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To: Ways and Means Full Committee

From: Natural Resources Subcommittee

Re: Department of Geology and Mineral Industries 3D Elevation Program Grant

Senator Girod: “On June 13th, the Natural Resources Subcommittee recommended approval of the submission of a federal grant application from the Department of Geology and Mineral Industries to the U.S. Geologic Survey in the amount of \$191,505 for the 3D Elevation Program initiative.

The Department is proposing to use this grant opportunity to collect data for the Oregon Lidar Consortium’s Silver Creek sub-basin project, which will provide comprehensive mapping of 751 square miles of the Harney Basin in parts of Crook and Harney counties.

The grant requires a match; however, the match is being provided by two other Oregon Lidar Consortium members. The Department does not require additional position authority or expenditure limitation for this grant. The final grant proposals are due in September and awards are anticipated to be announced later this year or early next year.

The Natural Resources Subcommittee recommends approval.”