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We, the undersigned Oregon business, are writing in support for the Oregon Short Line Tax Credit, legislation that would provide critical infrastructure investment and support to rural and small-town Oregon and its short line railroads. Short line railroads drive economic development in the communities they serve by keeping agriculture producers and manufacturers – Oregon's job creators – connected to the national freight network. This innovative legislation will help short lines drive investments based on market demand, community needs and, most importantly, will help keep Oregon's farmers, agri-businesses, manufacturers, retailers, producers and all customers competitive in the national and global markets. The legislation will also promote safe, efficient, and cost-effective transportation for short line customers that support Oregon workers and their families.

We support Oregon's short line railroads and urge you to pass the Short Line Tax Credit this year. Thank you for your time and consideration of this important transportation and economic development opportunity for rural Oregon.

Sincerely,

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