

May 1, 2019

Dear Co-Chairs Girod and Holvey and members of the Committee;

Central Lincoln People's Utility District (Central Lincoln) was formed in 1940 and is the 4th largest utility in Oregon. We serve electric power to 112 miles of the Oregon coast line and about 39,000 metered customers. Central Lincoln is currently collaborating with the University of Oregon to assist in the deployment of the seismic sensors in our service territory on the Oregon coast. Out of the 28 substations that Central Lincoln owns and operates we are actively working with U of O by filling in gaps in the statewide seismic network to include SS102-Otter Rock, SS104-Lincoln Beach, SS106-Depoe Bay, SS135-Siletz, SS163-Lundy, SS201-Mapleton and SS332-Lakeside. The sensors at each substation will help to ensure the reliability of Central Lincoln provided power and will serve to more quickly identify earthquakes along the central Oregon coast. Robust, reliable sensor installations such as these hosted by Central Lincoln will more quickly bring live ShakeAlerts to Oregon.

Central Lincoln is urging the committee to support the \$12 Million capital investment for the continuation of the buildout for ShakeAlert and ALERTWildfire.

By investing in sensors for the ShakeAlert earthquake early warning, cameras for ALERTWildfire and telemetry to allow real-time communication, the state will be advancing a multi-hazard approach to disaster response and mitigation.

Sincerely,



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