

February 14, 2024

Oregon State Legislature  
Attn: Joint Transportation Committee  
Salem, Oregon

Re: Support for Senate Bill 1556 – Oregon Department of Transportation Highway 30 Study

Dear Co-Chairs Gorsek and McLain, Co-Vice Chairs Boquist and Boshart Davis, and Members of the Committee:

We, the undersigned utilities are writing to you in support of **Senate Bill (SB) 1556**, which directs ODOT to explore how the State may invest into addressing significant safety concerns along Highway 30.

With our combined presence in energy generation and infrastructure along Highway 30, we feel that investing in a study to identify how the state may improve the safety throughout this corridor, is an important step towards addressing a major thoroughfare many Oregonians use every day. The two undersigned utilities prioritize safety everyday in the work we do and feel this bill aligns with our work to deliver energy safely to our customers.

We support Senate Bill 1556 and thank Senator Weber and Representatives Javadi and Stout for prioritizing this critical investment in rural Oregon.

Sincerely,

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