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Nothing is more important than Oregon solving its Housing issue. Prevailing wage projects are terribly expensive, and you do not get a better project or outcome. Having been a HUD, Rural Development, LIHTC builder in Oregon since 1975 and having built well over 2000 units in rural Oregon communities, projects would have not been possible if Prevailing wages were required. Units simply would not have gotten built. My resume included being inducted into Oregon Building Industry Hall of fame in 2002 for my work in Low Income Housing in Oregon. Please exempt Low-income housing from Prevailing wage requirements, if not statewide at least outside of Metro-Portland. The State of Oregon needs to do everything in its power to reduce regulations and requirements for housing to solve this issue.