

United States Senate

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A. Leonard Smith
Economic Development Administration
Seattle Regional Office
915 Second Avenue, Room 1890
Seattle WA 98174

RE: Port of Woodland Centennial and Rose Way Industrial Park Construction

Dear Mr. Leonard,

I write in support of the Port of Woodland's grant application to the Economic Development Administration's Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance Program. This grant funding will be integral to the economic development of the Port of Woodland and the larger Portland-Vancouver Metropolitan area.

The Port of Woodland aims to meet the growing demand for ready to build and leasable buildings in the Portland-Vancouver Metropolitan area and attract jobs through the development of two industrial parks. Between the two parks, the Port will develop sixteen acres of buildable space along Interstate 5 and twelve acres of leasable industrial buildings with six independent sites. The Port estimates these sites will support over 300 jobs.

The Port of Woodland is committed to diversifying companies in its existing industrial parks by attracting companies in industrial forms, construction material manufacturing, and composite manufacturing. These new and diverse job opportunities are crucial to the economic development in Cowlitz County, which has seen a decline in natural resource production and the closure of several plants in recent years.

This grant funding will assist the Port of Woodland in creating new jobs and new opportunities for growth and innovation in the region. Thank you for your full and fair consideration of the Port of Woodland's application.

Sincerely,



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United States Senator

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