

OREGON FREIGHT ADVISORY COMMITTEE



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The Honorable Elaine Chao
Secretary of Transportation
United States Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington, DC 20590

Dear Secretary Chao:

The Oregon Freight Advisory Committee is pleased to offer its support of the Oregon Department of Transportation's (ODOT) application for BUILD grant funds for the Interstate 84/US 395 Interchange Improvements Project.

This important project is located at the junction of two key freight routes in rural northeast Oregon. An improved I-84/US 395 interchange will support the long-term economic competitiveness of Pendleton and the greater rural eastern Oregon region by enhancing the efficiency and safety of freight transportation. Additionally, this project will improve local transportation connections thereby improving access to jobs and creation of jobs within the region.

OFAC is pleased to support this important project. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Deena Platman
Chair
Oregon Freight Advisory Committee