



April 22, 2015

Central Oregon Intergovernmental Council
334 NE Hawthorne Avenue
Bend OR 97701

Dear Council Members,

Business Oregon supports the request by the City of Redmond's application for consideration of the DSL property, south of Redmond, to recognize the 200+ acre industrial property as a "Regional Large Lot" property to be brought into the Redmond City Limits.

This request is supported by the Central Oregon Large Lot Industrial REOA (May, 2011), which recommended at least 1 lot larger than 200 acres for the short term, and 2 lots of this size for the long term. Business Oregon staff provided data and support for the study. Furthermore, the State's recent business activity confirms there has been an increase in demand, nationally, for large lots and that development readiness is increasingly important to the selection process.

Business Oregon also confirms that large lot industry demand includes Data Centers, Warehouse/Distribution, and High Tech Manufacturing.

If we can provide any additional information to assist your decision, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Gary Wan Huffel
Industrial Lands Manager