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To: [Sen Smith](#), [Rep. Javadi](#), [Rep. Wright](#), [Rep. Boice](#), [Sen. Weber](#), [Sen. Anderson](#),  
[Rep. Gomberg](#)

Re: **League of Women Voters Oregon response to the Pacific Coast Intermodal Port Project**

The League of Women Voters of Oregon (LWVOR) fully supports the facts presented by the Coos County League (LWVCC) to document issues related to the port. Local Leagues have the authority to advocate on local issues for which they hold a position.

While there was a mistake in introducing a speaker at a recent forum, he corrected it when he spoke. More to the point, we stand by the LWVCC's comprehensive studies of the Port of Coos Bay beginning in 1960. The studies have been reviewed and updated on approximately 20-year intervals. Their most recent [report](#) was published in 2023. They have shared their findings in a series of public meetings, most recently in [November, 2025](#). All of these documents and videos of the meetings are on their public [website](#). We urge you to review them. After hearing the steps they took to ensure that the views of PCIP were represented at that meeting, we are convinced that they performed due diligence in trying to present an accurate picture of the issues while recognizing the League's relevant positions.

We hope this clarifies that the League of Women Voters of Oregon believes that LWVCC continues to provide both informed education and advocacy on issues of local concern, a bedrock of our League mission.

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