

Department of Land Conservation and Development

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Mr. Corum Ketchum, John Day City Manager 450 E Main Street John Day, OR 97845

Re: Rural Transportation Equity Project

Dear Mr. Ketchum,

It is with great enthusiasm that the Department of Land Conservation and Development (DLCD) wishes to extend participation in the first round of Rural Transportation Equity program funding to the city of John Day in order to support outreach and project identification related to transportation options!

The Rural Transportation Equity program aims to support underserved communities, in rural areas, gain access to critical services and destinations by identifying and pursuing transportation options like biking, walking, and public transportation.

Through this project, staff and partners will explore geographically- and culturally-specific approaches to engage folks in your community on transportation topics. Engagement will focus on relationship building, identification of transportation challenges, and sharing information regarding services and facilities that can reduce barriers to accessing key destinations, such as employment centers and critical services. Upon identifying key project opportunities, the project will produce materials to support future infrastructure funding applications.

DLCD Staff looks forward to developing a detailed scope of work with your staff and DLCD's consulting partners, to engage the residents of John Day over the course of this next year.

In service to all Oreognians,

Madela Pinings

Madeline Phillips Rural Transportation Planner Department of Land Conservation and Development