



Dear Governor-elect Tina Kotek:

The Clackamas County Board of Commissioners wishes to congratulate you on your election to serve as Oregon's next Governor. We've enjoyed a collaborative working relationship with you as the former House Speaker and are eager for that same collaboration to continue into your governorship.

We recognize that you have many priorities to advance as you take on the leadership of our good state. In your evaluations, it's important to highlight the needs of over 420,000 Oregonians that reside in Clackamas County who are dependent on our mutual efforts to deliver essential services, provide robust economic opportunities, and act as stewards of our lands.

Looking ahead, we need your help to address the following priorities:

- Finalizing the jointly funded County Courthouse Project, in partnership with the State
- Expanding behavioral health resources to address chronic addictions and mitigating unnecessary liability on the county when engaged in joint state-county contracts
- Addressing concerns with the implementation of the I-205 toll program acknowledging Clackamas County has been unfairly targeted with the bulk of revenue generation.
- Finding opportunities to address industrial and housing land availability within our vast resources that have been systematically ignored

Clackamas County plays various roles due to the wide diversity of our residents who live within our 1.3 million acres. We enjoy some of the greatest income generation and wealth in urban cities while at the same time are part of the beautiful, vast wilderness of the state. When being considered part of the metropolitan region, we look to you to ensure the state sees us as part of the whole and works to ensure equitable investments and opportunities so that our region advances together.

While we have urban centers and activities, Clackamas County also supports societal needs such as food production, timber harvesting to reduce fuel loads while providing lumber for home building, and tourism opportunities such as hunting, fishing, skiing, and hiking. All of these play pivotal roles to a successful, thriving Oregon.

In the early days of your term, it would be our privilege to meet with you and discuss more how we can work together for Clackamas residents and Oregonians alike.

Thank you,