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TO: Land Conservation and Development Commission

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SUBJECT: **Agenda Item 8, September 26-27, 2013, LCDC Meeting**

BRIEFING BY BUSINESS OREGON REGARDING IMPLEMENTATION OF SENATE BILLS 246 AND 253

At its July meeting in Burns, the Land Conservation and Development Commission (LCDC) heard a report about legislation enacted during the 2013 session including Senate Bill (SB) 246 and SB 253 regarding regionally significant industrial sites and site readiness. The commission asked whether these bills would provide assistance to rural Oregon cities.

Paul Grove, government relations manager for the Oregon Business Development Department (dba Business Oregon), will present a briefing regarding the status and impact of this legislation. Business Oregon received funding to staff this program in the 2013 budget authorization, and it is hoped that the legislature will authorize program expenditures in 2014.

SB 246

This bill authorizes the Business Oregon to work with public entities to develop certified regionally significant industrial sites. It requires Business Oregon to establish and administer the Oregon Industrial Site Readiness Program and to enter into tax reimbursement arrangements with, or to make loans to, qualified project sponsors for development of certified regionally significant industrial sites. It establishes the Oregon Industrial Site Readiness Program Fund and appropriates moneys in the fund to Business Oregon for the program.

<http://www.leg.state.or.us/13reg/measpdf/sb0200.dir/sb0246.en.pdf>

SB 253

This bill creates the Oregon Industrial Site Readiness Assessment Program, which will provide grants to help local governments survey the availability of industrial sites and create a plan to help develop these areas. It requires Business Oregon to establish and administer the program and to provide grants. It appropriates moneys in the fund to Business Oregon and directs the department to report to the 2015 Legislative Assembly..

<http://www.leg.state.or.us/13reg/measpdf/sb0200.dir/sb0253.en.pdf>

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