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**Oregon Hosts Aviation Delegation from South Korea to
Advance International Collaboration and Innovation**

SALEM, OR - The State of Oregon will host a high-level South Korean aviation delegation July 26–30, 2026, to explore investment, research, and commercial partnership opportunities across the aviation, uncrewed aircraft systems (UAS), and advanced air mobility (AAM) sectors.

The delegation, approximately 25 government, industry, and research representatives from the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, and Transport (MOLIT), the Korea Institute of Aviation Safety Technology (KIAST), and leading aviation companies—will visit aviation hubs across the state, including Portland, Scappoose, Pendleton, Hermiston, Hood River, and Tillamook.

Throughout the visit, Oregon will highlight its statewide airport system, regulatory support, industry clusters, and UAS and AAM testing and manufacturing capabilities. Activities include technical briefings, B2B meetings, manufacturing demonstrations, and tours of key aviation and technology facilities.

Oregon aims to become the premier U.S. launch point for South Korean aviation and adjacent companies by showcasing the state's aviation infrastructure, skilled workforce, and opportunities for testing, manufacturing, and bringing new aviation technologies to market. The visit will highlight Oregon's ability to support innovation at every stage, from research and development to deployment and commercialization. These efforts aim to attract international investment, create high-quality jobs, and strengthen Oregon's growing aerospace industry.

During their time in Oregon, delegation members will meet with government leaders, industry partners, researchers, and aviation stakeholders to explore opportunities for collaboration in uncrewed aircraft systems, advanced air mobility, aerospace manufacturing, and workforce development. These discussions will help build long-term relationships, encourage innovation, and lay the groundwork for future partnerships. Together, these efforts support Oregon's goal of becoming not only the preferred U.S. launch point for South Korean aviation companies, but also a leading destination for manufacturing, testing, and advancing the next generation of aviation technologies.

Oregon Department of Aviation's mission is to enable and advocate for a safe and efficient aviation system that connects communities and drives economic growth

Event Attendance:

Individuals or organizations interested in attending specific events during the delegation visit may request participation here: <https://oregonusa.org/rsvp>

About the Oregon Department of Aviation

Established in 1921, the Oregon Department of Aviation was the first state aviation department in the nation. ODAV enables and advocates for a safe and efficient aviation system that connects communities and drives economic growth.

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