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**GOVERNOR KATE BROWN**

AGENDA

South Central Oregon Regional Economic Response/Recovery Team  
May 26th, 2020  
3:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Join Zoom Meeting

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I. Governor's Office update:

Sector protocol review. What two or three changes to the restaurant protocols would be most meaningful/beneficial? (prior feedback attached)(outdoor seating)

Upcoming protocols this week:

Youth sports

Small/medium sized venues

Overnight camps

II. Business Oregon Update – Larry Holzgang, Regional Development Officer

- a. Small Business Funds for Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFIs) and Economic Development Districts
- b. Community Development Block Grant Funds
- c. PPE resources

- III. Oregon Disaster Recovery Plan Overview – Sean McCormick, Interim State Disaster Recovery Coordinator
  
- IV. Questions/Discussion from partners (it's OK if you don't have any) ROUNDTABLE:
  - a. Klamath Tribes
  - b. Lake County Chamber
  - c. Klamath County Chamber
  - d. SBDC – Kat Rutledge
  - e. SCOEDD- Betty Riley
  - f. Klamath County
  - g. Lake County
  - h. KCEDA – Randy Cox
  - i. Discover Klamath – Jim Chadderdon
  - j. East Cascades Works
  - k. KCC
  - l. OIT
  
- V. Next steps/wrap up



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- I. Governor's Office update:  
Annette provided an update on sector protocols and indicated drafts for youth sports, small/medium sized venues and overnight camps will be distributed for review later this week. It's important for the state to get feedback from the south central region on these drafts, though the turnaround timeframes will be tight. Annette indicated that feedback is being taken until Thursday at 4:00 pm on what two or three changes could be most meaningful in the restaurant sector protocols for Phase 2. Jessica Bogardus has a meeting later this week with restaurant owners in Lakeview, so that will provide an opportunity for feedback. Annette mentioned she would try to attend that meeting to hear local feedback.

Commissioner Minty Morris mentioned that there is some confusion out there in the restaurant sector, with people thinking that most of the health precautions required in Phase 1 will not exist in Phase 2. As a result, she said some people are simply waiting for Phase 2. Commissioner Minty Morris also mentioned that she has heard from numerous restaurant owners that they would like to see the 10 p.m. curfew removed.

- II. New funding opportunities through Business Oregon  
Larry Holzgang highlighted that Business Oregon announced two new funding opportunities on Friday May 22<sup>nd</sup>. The first are Community Development Block Grant funds available for communities dealing with COVID-19. The \$3.75 million in funding will be divided into two project types. Approximately \$2 million will go toward Small Business/Microenterprise Assistance. Approximately \$1.75 million will go toward emergency response assistance, including projects that prevent, prepare for or respond to the pandemic. Applications are being accepted now and will continue to be accepted until funding has been exhausted. The second funding program is \$5M for small business grant programs; eligible applicants are Economic Development Districts and Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFIs). Unlike the first phase of RFPs, there is no longer a local match required for this funding, which continues to be geared toward sole proprietors, rural companies, and those with 25 or fewer employees. The RFP for this opened May 22<sup>nd</sup> and will close on June 1<sup>st</sup>.
- III. Oregon Disaster Recovery Plan  
Sean McCormick, State Disaster Recovery Coordinator, provided an overview of the Oregon Disaster Recovery Plan. State emergency managers activated the emergency plan for the pandemic in late April. The plan has seven state recovery functions. There is a primary agency responsible for each recovery function, along with various agencies in supporting

roles. State Recovery Function 2 focuses on Economic Recovery; Business Oregon is the lead agency for this with additional responsibilities assigned to Regional Solutions.

Sean McCormick mentioned that local governments are eligible for FEMA reimbursement for disaster related expenses. The COVID-19 has been characterized as a disaster by FEMA. The best contacts for local governments at Oregon Office of emergency Management are:

Dan Gwin:  
[dan.gwin@state.or.us](mailto:dan.gwin@state.or.us)  
503-378-3254

or

Julie Slevin  
[julie.slevin@state.or.us](mailto:julie.slevin@state.or.us)  
503-378-2235

Here's the link to the OEM webpage dealing with COVID-19, their contact information is also located there.

<https://www.oregon.gov/oem/emresources/disasterassist/Pages/COVID19-publicassistance.aspx>

Here's the link to the Oregon Disaster Recovery Plan in case you'd like to review it.

[https://www.oregon.gov/oem/Documents/OR\\_RECOVERY\\_PLAN\\_MARCH\\_2018.pdf](https://www.oregon.gov/oem/Documents/OR_RECOVERY_PLAN_MARCH_2018.pdf)

- IV. PPE Supply Connector  
Business Oregon has contracted on Supply Connector, which is an updated source of companies that sell or distribute PPE. Any business or agency can use this tool to track down safety equipment. <https://supplyconnector.org/states/oregon/>.
- V. Roundtable  
George Lopez with Klamath Tribes said the tribe has faced challenges getting safety precautions in place, so the pace of reopening is taking some time. The tribe wants to reopen safely and smartly, and it is working hard to get everything in place.

Commissioner Brad Winters said Lake County has its first confirmed COVID case. He is getting a lot of questions about Phase 3 and allowable crowd sizes because of the county fair. Annette said more protocols related to Phase 2 will likely be distributed in the next week or two.

Commissioner Minty Morris said the state should revisit protocols to emphasize social distancing, rather than being proscriptive with group sizes and other requirements.

Sandra Fox with OIT said the school is hoping to be able to teach in-person in the Fall. She is looking forward to the guidelines being released for higher education.

Jacob Egler said Senator Wyden's office continues to work on building support for additional federal relief packages, including for local and state governments.