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Mayor Nola Xavier Florence city Hall 250 Highway 101 Florence, OR 97439

Dear Mayor Xavier:

I was interested to see the article in the Register Guard this morning "test driving a bus route to the beach." When I was a member of the City of Florence Planning Commission we studied the Florence transportation system plan and made a number of suggestions. I specifically noted a lack of reference to transportation between Eugene and Florence and the ODOT representative who met with us agreed to include a section on that subject in the transportation system plan. He did so and that section entitled "intercity transportation" is to be found on pages 137-139 of the June 2012 document. Re-reading that section one line especially caught my attention. On page 137 the report states "the portion of Lane County west of Veneta lies outside LTDs boundaries that are defined by participation in a business payroll tax." The ODOT section on this subject gives a number of suggestions which may be worth pursuing in the future, including, and in addition to the expansion of the LTD system.

Respectfully,

Robert N. Peters

cc: City Manager Jacque M. Betz

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