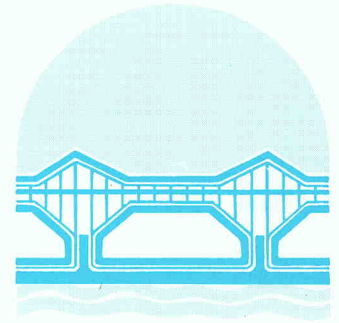


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Dear Jason,

The Commissioners of the Port of Cascade Locks in Cascade Locks, Oregon unanimously endorse and support the proposed development project at the Broughton Mill Landing Site. By any measure, this proposal is consistent with the intent and purposes of the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area Act and will enhance the scenic, natural, and cultural resources of the Gorge.

In addition, the Broughton Mill Landing project will create much needed construction jobs and post construction jobs, creating opportunities for all residents of the Gorge region, including people living in Cascade Locks.

In order to preserve the Gorge, there needs to be healthy sustainable communities. We need to build a critical mass of development density that provides the underlying economic base and jobs and wages that allow Gorge communities to be sustainable. All of the published wage and employment statistics continue to demonstrate that the Gorge region suffers economically. We currently lack the minimal level of economic density to allow for a sustainable Gorge economy. The Broughton Mill project will make the Gorge economy better, helping to preserve the Gorge for future generations to enjoy.

The Broughton Mill project is a good fit in the Scenic Area. Any reasonable person should support this project. The Commission supports this project. Please let us know if there is anything else we can do to demonstrate our support.

Sincerely,

Kathy Woosley, President
Port of Cascade Locks Board of Commissioners