

STATE OF OREGON – REGIONAL SOLUTIONS PRIORITIES BY REGION

Southern Region: Rogue Valley (Jackson and Josephine counties)

- Active forestry management on O & C timber lands/SRS extension
- Maintain and enhance forest industry infrastructure
- Business retention, expansion, creation and recruitment
- Regulatory streamlining
- Water conservation and stream restoration
- Workforce training

South Coast: Umpqua (Coos, Curry and Douglas counties)

- Active forestry management on O & C timber lands/SRS solution
- Regulatory streamlining, regulatory technical assistance
- Enhance marine, rail and telecommunication infrastructure
- Business retention, expansion and creation
- Build on recreation economy
- Access to natural resources, support of natural resource economy
- Alternative energy development

Central Region (Jefferson, Crook and Deschutes counties)

- Job growth, regional competitiveness and improved business climate
- Support targeted industries identified by EDCO
- Regulatory integration/streamlining initiative
- Establishment of a four-year educational institution
- Improved work force technical skills
- Regional supply of large lot industrial lands
- Strengthen regional agriculture – animal mortalities
- Infrastructure focus on power availability, rail access for freight mobility, regional air transportation, biomass thermal heat, water supply and trip 97
- Timber – support regional efforts to address timber issues such as collaborative forest landscape restoration; support efforts to make available more timber from federal forests
- Renewable energy project support

North Central Region (Wasco, Hood River and Sherman counties)

- Infrastructure focus on waste water, utilities fiber optic networks and public transportation
- Providing support for business clusters
- Work force training
- Work force housing
- Availability of industrial land
- UGB expansions in the National Scenic Area and need for clarity from Columbia River Gorge Commission
- Regulatory integration/streamlining initiatives

South Central Region (Klamath and Lake counties)

- Infrastructure: Hwy 97 expansion, Hwys 140, 31 and 395; drinking water and sewer systems; rail upgrades; airports; water storage; natural gas; and cell phone service
- Work force training
- Availability of industrial land
- Business retention and expansion: existing wood products industry, new industries and support for entrepreneurship
- Renewable energy development
- Access to natural resources on federal lands
- Senior and Veterans housing

South Valley (Benton, Lane, Lincoln and Linn counties)

- Rapid rail route selection
- Assessing Goshen industrial site opportunity
- Increase number of certified industrial sites
- Responsiveness team for “Time to Market” (TTM) initiative
- Southern Willamette research corridor
- Access to capital strategy
- Promote regional workforce readiness
- Wetlands permit streamlining

Eastern Region (Union, Baker, Wallowa, Gilliam, Wheeler, Morrow, Umatilla, Grant, Harney and Malheur counties)

- Adequate workforce housing
- Business retention, expansion and recruitment
- Marketable industrial land
- Enhance local capacity, particularly in small cities
- Infrastructure enhancements (transportation, sewer/water, communications, etc)
- Brownfield/abandoned site redevelopment
- Alternative energy development
- Management of public lands to meet local economic and community development needs
- Post secondary education to meet regional workforce needs
- Access to natural resources on federal lands
- Regulatory technical assistance

North Coast Region (Clatsop, Tillamook and Columbia counties)

- Exploit opportunities in areas such as marine based industry, tourism, small manufacturing, forest products, agriculture and aviation
- Encouraging business incubation, manufacturing and new technologies by assisting start-ups and entrepreneurs
- Improve the readiness of industrial land by addressing wetlands, transportation access and infrastructure needs
- Increase the number of sites that have building-ready status
- Encourage creation of quality industrial flex-space
- Review, streamline and address regulatory impediments to economic development
- Work with rural communities to plan, fund and install needed infrastructure
- Bring regional support to ongoing Oregon Solutions projects

Metro Region (Multnomah, Washington and Clackamas counties)

- Serve 911/quick response function for development projects
- Management of public lands to meet local economic and community development needs
- Expand international trade
- Grow the region's distinctive industry clusters
- Support the growth of new ventures
- Coordinate business recruitment efforts
- Build the region's economic research capacity
- Align workforce and economic development priorities
- Protect and enhance the region's key strategic assets
- Help support the Community Investment Initiative
- Support the developable land inventory
- Improve equity of economic opportunities