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Clatsop County Hosts Public Open House Meetings for Economic Opportunities Analysis Project

(Astoria, OR) - Clatsop County invites the public to attend two upcoming open house meetings regarding the Economic Opportunities Analysis project. These meetings offer an informal opportunity for residents and business owners to review economic data and provide input on the county's future economic plans.

"The EOA project is part of Clatsop County's ongoing efforts to plan for economic growth and prosperity over the next 20 years and to address the impact of evolving environmental regulations, including the FEMA Biological Opinion and Oregon Department of Forestry's Habitat Conservation Plan," Jay Blake, Clatsop County Planning Manager said.

Meeting Highlights:

- Review past, present, and future economic data for Clatsop County
- Discuss challenges and opportunities facing the County
- Provide feedback on the proposed plans for improving the health of the area

The two open house events will be held at the following locations and times:

Public Open House South:

Date: Saturday, October 26, 2024

o **Time:** 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Location: Seaside Public Library, Community Room (address)

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• Public Open House North:

o **Date:** Monday, November 4, 2024

o **Time:** 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.

o **Location:** Columbia Memorial Hospital, Coho Meeting Room (address)

The County is working to plan for the next-generation economy that builds on our historic forest, fisheries and tourism industries. The County EOA also focuses on action steps, and partnerships that can help in the response to changing local and world economies. Targeted economic growth sectors include Blue Economy, Healthcare, Construction and Resources, and Food Processing.

For more information on the Economic Opportunities Analysis, please visit the <u>Clatsop</u> <u>County website</u>.

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