

Industrial Site Readiness Legislative Concepts Move Forward!

The availability of market-ready industrial sites is a key issue for our state's economic prosperity and growth of traded-sector and manufacturing jobs as showcased at the 12/3 Oregon Business Summit.

Industrial Lands = Higher Wage Jobs = More State/Local Revenue = Funding for Schools and Other Public Services

The Industrial Site Coalition is pleased to report the milestones we have achieved in moving these legislative concepts forward:

1. Oregon Business Plan's "2013 Policy Playbook: Ready to Grow" has identified funding for industrial site readiness as one of a priority initiative for the 2013 Oregon Legislative session (<http://www.oregonbusinessplan.org/LinkClick.aspx?fileticket=Vo4zMN3Z7eM%3d&tabid=39>).
2. On 12/11, the Senate Business, Transportation and Economic Development Committee introduced two industrial site readiness bills. One bill would provide grants for industrial land due diligence for large sites and grants for industrial site inventories. The second bill would provide loans for industrial site preparation, a portion of which would be forgiven based on successful development. We have appreciated working with Sen. Lee Beyer (District 6-Springfield) and Rep. Tobias Read (District 27-Beaverton) on these legislative concepts, and look forward to continuing this collaboration. Legislative Counsel draft bills are enclosed for your reference.
3. The Oregon Economic Development Association has formally endorsed this legislation as a legislative priority.

Our coalition will be providing periodic updates on our progress on our work in building a coalition support to move these legislative concepts forward. A partnership of stakeholders across the state will be critical to our success. We welcome formal endorsements by your organization and other stakeholders of this legislation, and ask that you stay tune for contacts to your legislators and testimony opportunities during the session.

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For more information on this effort, please contact us.

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