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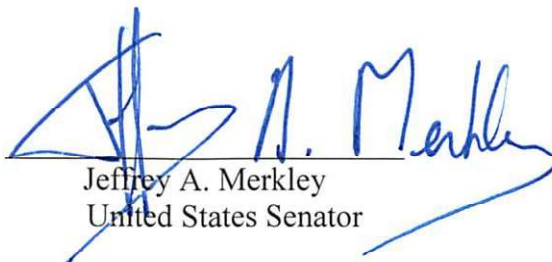
The Honorable Martin Heinrich  
Chair  
Subcommittee on Agriculture,  
Rural Development, Food and Drug  
Administration, and Related Agencies  
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable John Hoeven  
Ranking Member  
Subcommittee on Agriculture,  
Rural Development, Food and Drug  
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Dear Chair Heinrich and Ranking Member Hoeven,

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has a pecuniary interest in any of the congressionally directed spending items that I have requested in the Fiscal Year 2024 Agriculture appropriations bill, consistent with the requirements of paragraph 9 of Rule XLIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

Sincerely,



Jeffrey A. Merkley  
United States Senator

**Merkley, Jeff(D-OR) Agriculture  
Congressionally Directed Spending Requests**

<b>Recipient Name</b>	<b>Project Purpose</b>	<b>Project Location</b>	<b>Amount Requested (\$000)</b>
Oregon State University	Funds will go towards maintenance and renovations on Corvallis Horticultural Crop Research Unit (HCRU) greenhouses.	Benton OR	\$1,809
Cannon Beach Rural Fire Protection District	Funding would be used to improve Arch Cape's Fire Station facility to allow for better staffing coverage.	Clatsop OR	\$520
Cannon Beach Rural Fire Protection District	Funding would be used to improve Cannon Beach's Rural Fire Protection District facility to allow for better staffing coverage.	Clatsop County OR	\$723
Arnold Irrigation District (AID)	Funding would convert an open-ditch irrigation canal into a buried, closed-pipe system to improve water conservation, water supply management, delivery reliability, and public safety, as well as increase drought resiliency and enhance streamflow.	Deschutes OR	\$3,000
Douglas County School District #15/Days Creek Charter School	Funds will go towards building a community center to serve as an emergency shelter and house an early childhood education program.	Douglas OR	\$1,300
Glide Revitalization	Funds will go towards renovations for a community space to be used for childcare, social services, as office space and as a library.	Douglas OR	\$2,000
Condon Arts Council	Funds will go towards the Condon Arts Council's rehabilitation of historic structures to improve access and safety.	Gilliam OR	\$250
Grant County CyberMill	Funds will go towards broadband equipment and technology at three community sites in Grant county.	Grant OR	\$113
North Unit Irrigation District (NUID)	Funding would be used to implement the North Unit Irrigation District watershed plan.	Jefferson OR	\$2,000
South Lane Mental Health Services, Inc.	This funding would be used to support facilities improvements at South Lane Mental Health Center.	Lane OR	\$76
O'Brien Memorial Library	Funds will go towards building a new library in Blue River, Oregon.	Lane OR	\$250
City of Oakridge	Funding would go towards construction of a multi-purpose community facility.	Lane OR	\$2,750
Lane County	Funds would go towards replace an aging communication infrastructure at Bear Mountain in Lane County.	Lane OR	\$1,100
Port of Newport	Funds will go towards repairs to the dock and pilings at the Newport International Terminal.	Lincoln OR	\$328
Oregon Food Bank	Funds will go towards supporting a mobile food pantry program for Malheur and Harney counties.	Malheur OR	\$96
Treasure Valley Community College	This funding would be used to support distance learning activities at Treasure Valley Community College.	Malheur OR	\$214
City of Ontario	Funds will go towards improving the capability of the City of Ontario's Fire and Rescue Department.	Malheur OR	\$743
North County Recreation District	This funding would allow the North County Recreation District to ensure it can fulfill its role as an official Red Cross emergency shelter in extreme weather events and/or natural disasters.	Tillamook OR	\$321
Tillamook County YMCA	This funding would expand child care and pre-school services at Tillamook YMCA.	Tillamook OR	\$750
Tillamook County	Funds will go towards building fiber optic broadband infrastructure and enabling service to residences and a fish hatchery.	Tillamook OR	\$3,504

USDA-ARS Pendleton	Funding would be used to enhance the USDA-ARS station in Pendleton to allow for year-round use.	Umatilla OR	\$1,000
Elgin School District #23	Funding would be used for construction of a facility that would allow for agriculture education.	Union OR	\$788
Joseph Center for Arts and Culture	Funding would be used to create a community gathering place that provides opportunities for learning, social connection and creative expression through diverse programming of exhibits, classes, and workshops.	Wallowa OR	\$105
Wasco County	Funding would go towards constructing a bridge for emergency vehicle egress and ingress.	Wasco OR	\$210
Wasco County	These funds would rebuild three buildings on the Wasco County Fairgrounds in Tygh Valley.	Wasco OR	\$494
City of Cornelius	Funds will go towards improving the capability of the City of Cornelius's Fire Department.	Washington OR	\$361
Wheeler County	This funding would construct a safe and accessible facility for the provision of emergency food assistance to qualifying Wheeler County residents.	Wheeler OR	\$638
Wheeler Soil and Water Conservation District	Funding would construct a community facility to create more public meeting space and support the public as the County's leading agency in natural resources and related education.	Wheeler OR	\$960
City of Dayton	Funds will go towards the construction of a Civic Center to advance community preparedness, resiliency, educational opportunities and services.	Yamhill OR	\$2,859