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Once again our economically depresed area has an opportunity to help itself by creating and industry that will create and sustain jobs. The results of jobs is self-explanatory and I do not need to write about all the economic spinoffs which accompany having 150 people working and spending in our area. We are not looking for a handout, we are looking for the simple approval of an industry that has proven itself to be safe, environmentally clean and economically viable throughout the USA. I could go into the bureaucratese for your reading boredom, but I won't.

Rather than spend hours convincing you that we need help, that our economy is depressed, that logging no longer exists from federal lands, that our population base has declined, that a majority of our school children are on free lunch programs, that our young people cannot find jobs so they move out of the area, that the surrounding counties are in jeopardy of going broke, that the Port of Coos Bay struggles daily for funds to survive and our infrastructure is failing, let me just say that any kind of job creation would be welcomed with open arms.

The possibilities for helping ourselves is so very limited. This possibility to infuse this area with 5 billion dollars lies basically in your hands. I am simply asking you to understand the monumental scope of this decision in regards to factoring in the human equation of survival in this most livable area of rural Oregon.

Thank You Loran Wiese City Councilor - Coquille, Oregon