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ACTION ALERT

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OCA Members Encouraged to Testify in 2021 Oregon Budget Hearings

OCA encourages you to participate in the upcoming Oregon Legislative Budget Hearings to be conducted virtually. You can determine the date and time assigned to your congressional district at the link provided below.

OCA members are encouraged to request the Ways and Means Committee support funding for the following programs:

1. OSU Budget including research to inform production agriculture on soil health utilizing cattle in grazing protocols, carbon sequestration of all farming practices including livestock and the climate. For possible talking points click [Here](#).
2. Oregon Department of Agriculture Budget. ODA is the primary linkage between production agriculture and all regulations affecting agricultural producers including, but not limited to the livestock branding program.
3. Adequate funding of the Wolf Depredation Compensation Program. For possible talking points read the coalition letter joined by OCA [Here](#).

How to Participate

You can participate verbally during the hearing or provide written testimony. Verbal testimony may be limited to 2-3 minutes, plan accordingly. For meeting details and instructions for how to submit written testimony click [Here](#). Once redirected, click on your district meeting date for more details. If you need assistance in drafting testimony, OCA can help. Contact OCA's Executive Director Tammy Dennee at 503-980-6887. Your personal experiences and testimony are vital for the support of these crucial programs in the state's budget.

Hearing Schedule

The five dates and times are listed below. To find your congressional district click [Here](#).

- District 1 - Wednesday, April 14, 5:30-7:30 pm
- District 2 - Saturday, April 17, 1:00-3:00 pm
- District 3 - Wednesday, April 21, 5:30-7:30 pm
- District 4 - Thursday, April 22, 5:30-7:30 pm
- District 5 - Saturday, April 24, 1:00-3:00 pm

2021-23 Budget Framework

The Co-Chairs – Senator Betsy Johnson (D-Scappoose), Senator Elizabeth Steiner Hayward (D-Beaverton), and Representative Dan Rayfield (D-Corvallis) – released the 2021-23 Budget Framework. You can read the proposed Budget Framework by clicking [Here](#).