



# LANE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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October 10, 2023

Mr. Bryan K. Mercier  
Regional Director, Northwest Regional Office  
Bureau of Indian Affairs  
United States Department of the Interior  
911 NE 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Portland, Oregon 97232-4169

Dear Mr. Mercier:

I write in response to your September 2023 Notice of Non-Gaming Land Acquisition Application pursuant to the Coquille Indian Tribe's recent fee-to-trust application for the Ko-Kwell Wellness Center located at 2401 River Road #101 in Eugene, Oregon. In your notice, you requested specific information from Lane County in support of this application process and we are pleased to provide that information to you.

- 1) **If known, the annual amount of property taxes currently levied on the subject property allocated to your organization.** *Lane County CE Levy is \$1,220.32*
- 2) **Any special assessments, and amounts thereof, that are currently assessed against the property in support of your organization.** *Lane County Public Safety LO is \$537.76; Lane County 4-H/Extension LO is \$27.38; Lane County Parks Local Option is \$156.44*
- 3) **Any governmental services that are currently provided to the property by your organization.** *While Lane County provides public safety, health, human services, and general government services for all residents and places of business within county boundaries, no specific, specialized services are provided to this property.*
- 4) **If subject to zoning, how the intended use is consistent, or inconsistent, with the zoning.** *Not applicable as the property is within the municipal boundaries of the City of Eugene*

I do hope that you recall a June 2023 letter from the Lane County Board of County Commissioners offering unqualified support for this application process. We remain grateful to Chairman Meade and the Coquille Tribal Council for their leadership and vision in ensuring that culturally appropriate healthcare services for American Indians and Alaskan Natives are now available in our Eugene-Springfield metropolitan region, across Lane County and well into our neighboring Oregon counties.

We deeply respect the sovereignty of the Coquille people and fully support their rights of self-determination associated with placing this parcel into trust.

Should there be any further assistance that Lane County can provide in this process, please engage our policy director Steve Adams. He can be reached at 458.239.2836 or by email at [stephen.adams@lanecountyor.gov](mailto:stephen.adams@lanecountyor.gov).

Sincerely,

Pat Farr, Chair  
Lane County Board of County Commissioners

cc: Chairman Brenda Meade, Tribal Council  
Judy Farm, Tribal 1



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June 6, 2023

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Dear Mr. Mercier:

On behalf of the Lane County Board of County Commissioners, I write to offer our unqualified support for the Coquille Indian Tribe's upcoming fee-to-trust application for a parcel on which the Ko-Kwel Wellness Center (2401 River Road #101 in Eugene) is now offering culturally-appropriate healthcare services to American Indians and Alaskan Natives in Lane County and beyond. We are deeply grateful to the Coquille leadership for the vision and the hard work invested to ensure the delivery of these vitally needed services.

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