

AGENDA REQUEST & STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: May 28, 2025

SUBJECT: EDCO request for letter of support for a Business Oregon grant application to fund the Central Oregon Innovation Hub

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

Move approval of a letter supporting EDCO's grant application to Business Oregon for the Central Oregon Innovation Hub.

BACKGROUND AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

As the operations and management of the Central Oregon Innovation Hub are being transferred from OSU-Cascades to EDCO, EDCO will apply for a grant from Business Oregon to support this program.

The Central Oregon Innovation Hub is a regional collaboration to further develop and strengthen Central Oregon's local innovation and entrepreneurial ecosystem. The Hub's partners offer a network of resources to help innovation-based companies grow, attract investment capital, and create jobs.

BUDGET IMPACTS:

None

ATTENDANCE: Jon Stark, EDCO CEO