

RROMAC

Stacia Sheelar

From: Dave Schamp
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2012 8:27 AM
To: 'Mel & Wendy'
Cc: Andrew Singelakis; Gary Stockhoff; Stacia Sheelar
Subject: RE: Diversion of MSTIP Funding

Hi Wendy,

Good to hear from you!

I will make sure your email is provided to RROMAC.

I haven't had any involvement in the process outlined in the Oregonian article and described in your email. I will do a little checking with others who have in preparation of discussing this matter with the committee.

Dave

From: Mel & Wendy [mailto:wlmidx@aceweb.com]
Sent: Saturday, October 27, 2012 8:49 PM
To: Dave Schamp
Subject: Diversion of MSTIP Funding

To RROMAC,

Attached is an article in the October 26 Oregonian reporting that funding from taxpayer approved and prioritized MSTIP was diverted to a developer's road project in a form of a "loan". Tom Brian was a lobbyist for the developer that received this unusual gift. Was RROMAC informed of this and your input solicited before a decision made?

RROMAC has sought MSTIP funding for rural road projects but under MSTIP's stringent criteria, these requests never reached the top of the priority list. Does this developer's road meet the the criteria and was it evaluated along with other projects? Will the granting of loans from MSTIP funds now be a standard practice?

Voters approved MSTIP with the understanding the funds would be used for major transportation projects, there would be a priority system, and results made public. Will you be questioning the Board's decision to make an "end run" around the established system and advising the Board you want to be in the advisory loop?

Wendy Mortensen

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