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To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing in Support of the Southern Oregon Annual Imagery Program. My organization would benefit from having access to annual orthoimagery in the following ways:

- Appraisal staff would use orthoimagery in performing property valuations on behalf of local school districts, cities, and other taxing districts. Orthoimagery is especially beneficial where there is limited or nonexistent property access. This aids in increasing transparency, accuracy, and equity in our assessments as well as benefiting the appraisal staff's personal safety by reducing the potential for confrontation with property owners, tenants, and others.
- Orthoimagery would aid in administering farmland, forest land, conservation easement and other special assessment programs. Imagery could be used to identify forest land stocking, farm use, changes in uses, etc.
- Cartography and administrative staff would use the imagery to aid in property line changes and administering property tax relief in the event of wildfires or acts of God.

Access to regularly updated, high-resolution imagery that can be shared across internal departments and publicly viewed as map products will assist us in delivering services to our residents.

I appreciate your consideration in funding this opportunity for regional collaboration.

Sincerely,

Constance L. Roach
Josephine County Assessor