

**Congress of the United States**  
**Washington, DC 20515**

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Mr. Gregory G. Graves  
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Mr. William Schwartz  
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Dear Mr. Graves and Mr. Schwartz:

We write today to inquire about the U.S. Postal Service's (USPS) efforts to locate suitable space for operations in the community of West Linn, Oregon.

We understand that since early 2019 USPS has been working to find a location in West Linn that is large enough to site retail and carrier services. As the months have passed, our offices have heard from a number of West Linn residents and officials concerned by a lack of progress and nervous that USPS may be unable to find a suitable location and leave the city entirely.

As USPS nears the end of its lease with its current landlord, set to expire in October, we are again hearing concerns and respectfully request an update on progress by September 1<sup>st</sup>. We would like a status update on efforts to find a new location, contingency plans for a scenario where a suitable location is not found, and any considered alternatives.

Residents and local officials from the community have expressed to us their wishes for USPS to maintain a physical presence in the community, and we share that desire. The U.S. Postal Service is a great community resource for the people of West Linn and we must do everything in our reach to make sure that is not taken away.

We appreciate your efforts thus far and look forward to hearing from you. Thank you in advance for your attention to this matter, and please direct any questions to Megan McKibben in Congressman Schrader's office at 503-588-4486, Dan Mahr in Senator Merkley's Office at 503-201-4709, or Ree Armitage in Senator Wyden's office at 503-326-7542.

Sincerely,



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Member of Congress



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