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KEVIN MATTHEWS



Kevin knows rural Lane County is an amazing place with rich history and a unique character in each of our towns and valleys. He believes we can build rural prosperity with grassroots economic development, investing in local businesses and people who are here to stay, like us. We should take advantage of our special local character, and build our strengths.

“These outlying communities face a distinct disadvantage when compared to Springfield and Eugene. We’re spread out, and bringing better technology to our rural area would make it easier to participate in a modern economy.

“We need to improve basic services such as healthcare and public safety, and provide rural residents with affordable high-speed internet. It would offer access to education and economic enterprise as well as increased community involvement and communication.”

“When I listen to people in Lane County, in almost any walk of life, I find the great majority of us love this beautiful place, from mountains to sea, forested slopes and fertile valleys, where one can still hunt or fish or simply commune with the wild on almost any given day.

“When we talk about what we want Lane County to be like for our grandchildren, I’ve found we share a common vision. Most of us want this special place we love to be tomorrow much as it is today — to be able to share these gifts of nature forward to our children, and to theirs.”

In listening to rural residents, Kevin has learned they want the area to remain much the same as it already is. “Most people live here because they love it, and they want it preserved for the future.”

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