

Project Leadership Application Deadline is August 22

The Roseburg Area Chamber of Commerce is now accepting applications for the 2024-25 year of its acclaimed leadership program. If you or one of your employees is interested in enhancing knowledge, strengthening our community, developing relationships and expanding your horizons, then Project Leadership Roseburg is where you belong. The chamber's 35th year of Project Leadership Roseburg begins on September 12, so <u>APPLY NOW</u>. For details about this distinguished leadership program, check out the chamber's <u>July/August issue of *Business Perspectives* newsletter</u>. For 2024-25 curriculum, program specifics and application forms, <u>CLICK HERE!</u>

Mail your application and a check for the \$50 application fee (RACC, P.O. Box 1026, Roseburg OR 97470) early enough to ensure the chamber receives it by the 5:00 pm deadline on Thursday, August 22, 2024. Want to pay the application fee by credit card? Pay online HERE and put your application in the mail. Don't delay. Apply now.

Membership Lunches Are Back!

The Roseburg Area Chamber's September 16 membership lunch will feature a presentation on Measure 118. Measure 118, which will be on the November ballot, would implement a massive new \$6.8 Billion tax on sales in Oregon, driving up costs on even staples like food and medicine for Oregon consumers. It also would make Oregon's businesses less competitive, eroding job growth and harming family farms and local businesses across the state. The Roseburg Area Chamber actively opposes Measure 118.

If passed by Oregon voters, Measure 118 would impose a 3% tax on businesses with gross Oregon sales over \$25 million per year. The measure is essentially a gross receipts tax: It would tax sales, not profits – and businesses would be forced to pay the tax regardless of whether they were making a large profit, small profit, or were losing money.

Measure 118's tax would apply at every step in the production and selling process. By the time an Oregon product went from raw materials to a manufacturer to a packaging company to a distributor and then to a retailer, it might be taxed five times before it finally reached the consumer, thereby driving up the cost far more than a typical sales tax.

Chamber membership lunches are held from 11:45 am to 1:00 pm at the Douglas County fairgrounds. Advanced ticket purchase is required. Online ticket sales only. Tickets are not sold at the door. The last day to purchase tickets is September 11 at noon. <u>GET TICKETS NOW!</u>

Join the "No on Measure 118" Movement

Measure 118 <u>qualified for the ballot</u> on July 24 following a signature-gathering effort funded by California activists. It would implement a massive new \$6.8 Billion tax on sales in Oregon, driving up costs on even staples like food and medicine for Oregon consumers. It also would make Oregon's businesses less competitive, eroding job growth and harming family farms and local businesses across the state.

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To learn more about this costly tax on sales and join the growing coalition of organizations, businesses and individuals fighting it, please follow the link below.

"InUmpqua" Magazine is Member-Exclusive Promotional Opportunity

The chamber is accepting advertising reservations in its 2025 *InUmpqua* magazine--a digital and print business directory, community profile and visitor guide. The *InUmpqua* is made available to residents and businesses throughout Douglas County, distributed to visitors and potential new residents and to chambers/visitor information centers in Oregon. The online digital edition is one of the chamber's most popular downloads. This publication remains one of the best advertising values available to promote your business or organization to other businesses, residents and visitors. See our 2024 *InUmpqua* digital edition online. Be sure and check out our advertisers; their support allows the chamber to produce this magazine and we are so appreciative! The contract submission DEADLINE is September 30; ad submission deadline is October 15. CLICK HERE to download a copy of the 2025 *InUmpqua* rate sheet and advertising agreement.

More Chamber News

To learn about new members, renewing members, chamber programs, activities and more, check out our <u>July/August Business Perspectives</u> newsletter. See current and past issues of the chamber's Business Perspectives newsletter and past RACC-member communications <u>HERE</u> and <u>"Current News"</u> online. Check out RACC <u>"Issues & Positions."</u> Visit the <u>Chamber Calendar</u> online for chamber programs, events and deadlines.

Welcoming out-of-town guests to our area this summer? Check out our <u>Visitor Event Calendar</u> online for local events of interest to visitors. Your best resource for chamber information is on the Roseburg Area Chamber website!

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