

Let's Talk About the Importance of Transportation

Infrastructure

[Get Tickets Now!](#) The program at the chamber's November 18 membership meeting lunch will be a presentation discussing the Exit 124/125 Interchange Area Management Plan and Garden Valley Corridor Plan. The Oregon Department of Transportation and the City of Roseburg are working together on the plan. For Exits 124 and 125, an Interchange Area Management Plan (IAMP) will outline a 20-year vision for access and roadway improvements to protect the function and operations of the interchanges. The Garden Valley Corridor Plan (GVCP) will identify strategies for the City to improve safety, mobility and connectivity so the corridor better serves our community's needs now and into the future. [See Project Flyer Here.](#)

Attend the chamber's final membership meeting for 2024 and hear from project planners about the proposed plan and have the opportunity to get your questions answered. Chamber membership meetings are held from 11:45 am to 1:00 pm (with the lunch buffet opening at 11:45) at the Douglas County Fairgrounds Complex in the Community Conference Hall. **Advanced online ticket purchase is required. Tickets are not sold at the door.** The last day to purchase tickets and secure attendance is 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 13. The chamber's November membership meeting lunch is generously sponsored by [Pacific Power](#).

Economic Forecast 2025

[GET TICKETS!](#) Get your tickets for the Roseburg Area Chamber's Economic Forecast 2025, held on November 18. The EF 2025 program will review this past year and the economic impacts on our businesses, county and state. Our expert panel of presenters will explore the issues, political climate and specific industries and, share their projections and insight about what business might expect in 2025. Presenters will also discuss potential impacts resulting from November's general election.

Leading our panel of presenters this year is Mark McMullen, Vice President of Policy and Research with Common Sense Institute. Mark brings a wealth of expertise to CSI, having served as the longest-tenured Chief Economist for the State of Oregon under three governors.

Joining McMullen on the panel will be Jeremy Rogers, Director of Legal Affairs & Public Policy for the Oregon REALTORS®, Nick Smith, Executive Director for Healthy Forests and Healthy Communities and a fourth presenter TBA. Prior to joining Oregon Rogers REALTORS® Rogers spent more than a decade working with leaders in the manufacturing, technology, health care and energy sectors to identify and solve public policy challenges affecting business and economic development in Oregon. Smith's background is in public policy and communications, having worked in the Oregon Legislature in various capacities and having served several members of leadership in the House of Representatives. He founded Healthy Forests, Healthy Communities in 2013, a non-profit, non-partisan grassroots coalition that advocates for active forest management on federally-owned lands. Watch for more EF 2025 information in future "Chamber News" membership emails.

Advance ticket purchase is required. [Tickets are on sale now.](#) Deadline to purchase tickets is Thursday, November 14 at 5:00 p.m. Economic Forecast 2025 sponsors include [Addcox Heating Center](#), [Con-Vey](#), [Lone Rock Resources](#), [Marco Pharma International](#) and [Roseburg Forest Products](#).

Time to Honor Outstanding Business & Community Leaders

NOMINATIONS ARE OPEN. The Roseburg Area Chamber of Commerce is accepting nominations to recognize outstanding RACC-member businesses, first citizen honors and more for 2024. Honorees will be announced on March 20, 2025.

“Business of the Year” recognitions have three categories for small, medium and large Roseburg Area Chamber member businesses. Check out our list of [past recipients of business of the year honors](#). Criteria and additional details are included on the [Business of the Year nomination form](#). The submittal deadline for nominations is February 3, 2025.

The chamber is also accepting 2024 nominations to recognize deserving individuals with our community’s highest honor, First Citizen. Download the nomination form [HERE](#). Take a look at the list of our [past First Citizen honorees](#).

Nomination forms and criteria for 2024 chamber volunteer and innovative business of the year can also be found online [HERE](#).

Nomination forms and packets should be mailed to the Roseburg Area Chamber of Commerce, PO Box 1026, Roseburg OR 97470 (postmarked no later than February 3, 2025) or scanned and [emailed](#) by 5:00 p.m. on February 3, 2025.

A huge THANK YOU to our members and local business community! Thank you for being some of the first businesses, organizations and individuals to join the “NO on 118/Defeat the Costly Tax on Sales” Coalition. Thank you for financial support, posting signs, spreading the word and VOTING! The overwhelming defeat of 118 is a credit to you and a success belonging to and for Oregonians! Enjoy the rest of your week.

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