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YACHATS AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE & VISITORS CENTER

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Linda Andrews

Tourism Development Assistant Travel Oregon

Dear Ms. Andrews,

We are writing in reference and support of Andrea Scharf and Committee's Community Application for the Oregon Rural Tourism Studio.

A member of our board had the pleasure of being a part of an initial planning meeting for the Yachats/Waldport steering committee and was impressed with the enthusiasm, leadership, creativity and the desire to work together.

We believe having a structured, directed partner assisting the local tourism based leaders, organizers and planners would create a base of information and outline to build a strong, sustainable, consistent plan for current and future endeavors.

We strongly recommend your consideration of their application and look forward to the possibility of additional thoughts and ideas from trained experts in the field of tourism to help our rural communities thrive throughout the year.

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