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SECRETARY OF STATE DENNIS RICHARDSON BRINGS THE STATE LAND BOARD INTO THE 21ST CENTURY **Livestreaming Meetings and Uploading Past Audio Recordings to Internet will Make Land Board Proceedings Accessible to Public**

SALEM, OR – On May 9, Secretary of State Dennis Richardson will fulfill another campaign promise to bring Accountability, Transparency, and Integrity to Oregon State Government. At the upcoming State Land Board meeting, for the first time, all Oregonians will be able to watch the proceedings via livestreaming on the Internet here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WTDwo0TDMRY>

“One of the chief reasons I ran to become Oregon’s Secretary of State was to put our government’s processes in the direct line-of-sight of all Oregonians,” said Richardson. “Livestreaming Land Board meetings continues my commitment to increase transparency and accountability.”

The next Land Board meeting will be held on May 9, from 10 am - 12 pm at the Oregon Department of State Lands located at 775 Summer Street NE, Rm. 100 in Salem. The meetings are open to the public, however, getting to Salem isn’t always convenient. The Board has never before utilized the widely available technology of livestreaming, but that’s about to change.

There are three members who serve on the State Land Board - the Governor, the State Treasurer, and the Secretary of State. After taking office in January, Richardson asked if the Board meetings were livestreamed. The answer was no, and not only are they not livestreamed, they are not videotaped nor are the audio recordings available on the Board’s website. Richardson requested that livestreaming begin immediately and that all past audio recordings be made available on the Board’s website as soon as possible. The uploading of audio recordings will start soon.

“Livestreaming will make it possible for everyone from Malheur to Clatsop and from Josephine to Willowa to be a part of the process,” said Richardson. “As Secretary of State, I am dedicated to ushering in new ways of making every aspect of state government open and transparent.”

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