Crook County Planning Commissioners
Katie McDonald, Sr. Panner
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I am Richard (Rick) Morton and I live at 8008 NW Campbell Ranch Road. I have lived here for 24 years and farm the property. The property is 290 acres of which 54 acres are irrigated and the remaining is dry land for grazing. I raise hay and run a cow/calf operation, which consists of 40-50 pairs.

I am in favor of the proposed Huston project. I have attended several events at the pavilion and enjoyed them all. I have not seen any problems during or after the events I attended.

There appear to be two key issues concerning the approval of this project. 1. The entry road and traffic. 2. The impact on farming operations. My thoughts on these are as follows.

- 1. Road and traffic. As stated, I have lived here for 24 years, and I am the furthest in property on the road. I drive on the road every day, usually at 4 pm, and I have never had an issue with the event traffic. There has never been an accident or issue with the event traffic that I am aware of. Dust has always been a problem; water trucks have been used during the events and have helped greatly. Greg Huston has always paid more than his share for the road upkeep and maintenance.
- 2. Impact on farming. As one of the farm operations on the road, the events and/or traffic have never had an impact on my farming operations. The road is wide enough that farm equipment and trucks can pass without issues.

Again, I approved of this project and see it as a benefit to the area and Crook County.

**Rick Morton**