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### Oregon Gubernatorial Candidate Says Fed's Rejection of Jordan Cove LNG Terminal Hurts Rural Economy

Salem, OR, (March 14, 2016) - Republican Gubernatorial Candidate Dr. Bud Pierce stated that Oregon has again lost an opportunity to help its rural area thrive when it was announced this week that the [Federal Energy Regulatory Commission has denied the applications for the Jordan Cove Energy Project in Coos Bay](#). The area would have been the first LNG (liquefied natural gas) terminal on the West Coast, providing a more affordable option for exporting gas to Asia.

He said, "I'm saddened that the FERC has denied the applications for the Jordan Cove Energy Project in Coos Bay. It's another instance where federal regulators have denied rural Oregonians an opportunity to create jobs and economic opportunities for their struggling communities."

Governor Kate Brown had not been apprised of the situation and reportedly not taken a stance on the decision.

Adds Pierce, "This is another instance where Gov. Brown refused to take a position on a project that could significantly help rural Oregonians achieve economic prosperity. Oregon needs a governor who is an advocate for our state's struggling communities."

Pierce also noted the FERC simply determined the *need* for the project was not there at this time and that the decision can be revisited when conditions change. He said he disagreed with this current decision.

"As governor, I'll be proud to tell the federal government that Oregon's governor supports the project when the project's developers and Coos Bay leaders make their case again."

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Bud Pierce, M.D, Ph.D. is a business owner and senior partner of Hematology/Oncology of Salem, one of the last physician owned practices on the West Coast. He announced his candidacy for governor on Sept. 10, 2015, on the Republican ticket. Approved photos and biography can be found at [www.BudPierce.com/newsroom](http://www.BudPierce.com/newsroom).

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