

LA PINE (DESCHUTES COUNTY)

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Strengths/Advantages	Challenges/Disadvantages
State of Oregon Certified Shovel-ready 50+ acre industrial site available and proximate to rail.	Sewer and water districts – in transition to the city. To be absorbed by the City early to mid 2012.
Neighboring small and medium sites available for a variety of options.	Transportation challenges; TSP to be completed by mid 2012.
The most favorable electric rates in Central Oregon.	City codes adopted and scheduled to be implemented early 2012.
Midstate Electric's current infrastructure has adequate capacity up to 20 Megawatts available.	Need large "keystone" employer.
More than adequate water and sewer capacity for new industry.	
A new flexible land use code and supportive city leaders .	
The county is in control of some industrial sites.	
Enterprise Zone, for tax relief for new or expanded industry.	
La Pine is well connected to 3 major economic hubs - Central Oregon, Eugene and Klamath County. Conveniently located near Highway 97 and Highway 31. Highway 58 is 27 miles to the south and is a direct route to I-5 and Eugene.	
BNSF rail mainline thru industrial park. Near passenger rail line. "Best Rail Industrial site in Central Oregon." <i>BNSF</i>	
Low housing costs. Riverfront homes, ranches, and community neighborhoods are available.	
La Pine has a large labor pool of skilled labor and diverse population with extensive work experience as indicated by large amount of commuters traveling north.	
Hub of Central Oregon's year-round outdoor recreation paradise. Gateway to Cascade Lakes National Scenic Byway, Newberry National Volcanic Monument and National Oregon Outback Scenic ByWay.	