

**Congress of the United States**  
**Washington, DC 20515**

August 31, 2016

The Honorable Tom Samra  
Vice President, Facilities  
United States Postal Service  
475 L'Enfant Plaza SW  
Washington, DC 20260

**RE: USPS proposal for retail services in Tualatin, Oregon**

Dear Vice President Samra:

We are writing about the proposal to relocate post office retail services from 19190 SW 90<sup>th</sup> Avenue to the detached carrier unit location at 18850 SW Teton Avenue in Tualatin, Oregon. Our offices have heard from many community leaders, business owners, and residents who are worried about the current relocation proposal for the Tualatin Post Office's retail services. We encouraged them to submit their comments to the Postal Service during the public comment period that ended earlier this month.

As you are likely hearing from Oregonians, relocating Tualatin's postal retail services to the detached carrier unit presents many serious challenges for residents and local businesses. These challenges include poor walkability at the proposed location, lack of access to transit, limited parking, and traffic congestion. Relocating retail services to the detached carrier unit could reduce access for Tualatin residents who use the Post Office, and create undue hardships for nearby businesses in the industrial area around the proposed location.

We respectfully request that you thoroughly review the concerns the community has expressed about the current relocation proposal, identify alternative facilities where retail services could be relocated, and allow residents ample time to provide feedback on other relocation options. We understand the Postal Service's goal of operating more efficiently and appreciate your work to communicate with local stakeholders in Tualatin. It is imperative to maintain the Tualatin community's access to postal service.

Thank you for your attention to this issue, and for your work to provide quality and accessible service to all Postal Service customers. We look forward to working with the Postal Service to make sure that any proposal to relocate Tualatin Post Office retail services includes a thorough process to gather, consider, and incorporate community input into any final decisions.

Sincerely,

  
Ron Wyden  
United States Senator

  
Jeff Merkley  
United States Senator

  
Suzanne Bonamici  
Member of Congress

CC: Greg Shelton, USPS Real Estate Specialist and David P. Coleman, USPS Government Relations Representative