

**Exhibit I**  
**Sport Fishing Regulation**  
**Simplification Update**

**Supplemental Public Correspondence**

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**Public correspondence received**  
**as of August 7, 2015**

**From:** [Waite Dalrymple](#)  
**To:** [odfw.commission@state.or.us](mailto:odfw.commission@state.or.us)  
**Subject:** John Day bag limit  
**Date:** Thursday, August 06, 2015 9:49:10 AM

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To whom it may concern,

My special needs grandson and I enjoy a once per year trip to the John Day to fish for smallmouth. It is a special place especially for him.

I have had the good fortune to fish for smallmouth in many places in the US and can say that this river is amazing with both size and numbers. I don't know the reasons that you might be considering raising the bag limit but unless they are without question, "if it ain't broke don't fix it".

Many people say that I have fished all over the world which is not true but I have caught tiger fish in Africa, golden dorado in Argentina, bonefish in many places, my first permit last year in Mexico, more steelhead than I can count both here and Alaska, rooster fish, salt water dorado, large mouth bass in many places etc.

I say all that to emphasize that the trip for John Day smallies is special.

Waite Dalrymple (retired kinda)

**From:** Larry  
**To:** [odfw.commission@state.or.us](mailto:odfw.commission@state.or.us)  
**Subject:** Commission meeting Friday August 7, 2015.  
**Date:** Wednesday, August 05, 2015 1:48:28 PM

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Dear Commissioners:

My family & I have fished the John Day River 15 years or more. It is my understanding that you are considering limit changes on smallmouth bass out of concerns about impact on salmonids in The John Day River. Bass keep the pike minnow, major predator on smolts, in check and that population down. Salmonids are not impacted by Small Mouth Bass. We have "never" noted salmonid fry or smolt in Bass we have taken on The John Day. We are concerned that lifting the Small Mouth Bass limits will alter the balance of species on the John Day River. Unintended consequences have often enough ruined fish & game balances many places in USA.

Please oppose any changes in Small Mouth Bass limits on the John Day River. Preserve the wonderful balance between salmonids & bass while keeping pike minnow populations very low.

Respectfull,

Lawrence G. jarvis PhD.

Sent from my iPad

**From:** [Brandon Bischof](#)  
**To:** [odfw.commission@state.or.us](mailto:odfw.commission@state.or.us)  
**Subject:** John Day River  
**Date:** Wednesday, August 05, 2015 10:20:46 PM

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Please do not place a high bag limit on smallmouth Bass on the John Day River. I have fished this river for years for both bass, and steelhead. The two different species do just fine together in this river system. It's easy to accuse the bass of over feeding on salmon and steelhead smolts. But the fact is, the majority of the smolts travel very quickly through this river during high, and cold river flows. The majority of the bass on the John Day (probably over 95%) are small fish. They are not capable, nor even active during the smolt migration. 2001 was probably the best Steelhead fishing I have seen in my lifetime. Thousands and thousands of wild steelhead were returning to this river. Bass had been present for 30 years when this happened. The years following those high steelhead returns, I noticed no size, or population difference with the small mouth bass after all those extra smolts had been available. I can't speak for the Columbia River, or any Coastal Rivers, but it is obvious to me that smallmouth and salmonoids can both thrive in the JohnDay River. During the summertime, bass in the John Day are easy to catch!! To allow people to kill 15 + fish a day would destroy this fisherie in a short period of time. I have grown up fishing in Oregon, and have watched countless fisheries get ruined for no reason other than poor management. Please dont destroy the John Day Bass Fisherie. It is one of the few good places left to go to have a quality fishing experience for people of all ages. Bass fishing on the John Day is nationally recognized, and people from all over the country visit the area to fish it.

Brandon Bischof

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [Neal Wolbert](#)  
**To:** [odfw.commission@state.or.us](mailto:odfw.commission@state.or.us)  
**Subject:** John Day bass bag limit  
**Date:** Thursday, August 06, 2015 7:03:32 AM

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ODFA Commisioners,

My family, friends and I have enjoyed fishing the John Day for many years and totally agree with Steve Fleming, President of Mah Hah Outfitters, that science and experience have proven the introduction and continued success of the thriving small mouth bass population has benefited the native species. That should be evidence enough to not raise the bag limit, to say nothing of the national draw of the awesome small mouth fishery and its positive financial impact on the local economy and fishing license income to Oregon Fish and Wildlife and tourism. To put it bluntly...why mess with success?

Don't raise the bag limit!!!

Respectfully submitted,

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**From:** [Catcher CO](#)  
**To:** [odfw.commission@state.or.us](mailto:odfw.commission@state.or.us)  
**Subject:** Smallmouth bass regulations meeting memo  
**Date:** Thursday, August 06, 2015 7:39:11 AM  
**Attachments:** [Oregon fish and wildlife.pdf](#)

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Please see attachment. Thank you!

To: ODFWcommissioner@state.or.us

## Members

Your admirable aim to simplify the Oregon Fishing regs is welcomed by Catcher Co as long overdue. Catcher Co has concerns regarding the proposal to remove Smallmouth Bass bag limits on selected streams.

Catcher Co manufactures and wholesales fish attractants appropriate for all cold or warmwater fish in Oregon. Our "feedback" indicates very little predation of salmonoids by Smallmouth, in the selected streams. We would like to see the commission move beyond word of mouth to a rigorous scientific investigation before adoption of the proposal.

Should we experience another anadromous fish collapse, Oregon could be looking at barren streams.....NO FISH! Alternatively, if it could be determined the species can or do co-exist, a fishery of some sort would likely be available to Oregon fishermen.

Catcher Co is obviously interested in sales, but we would like to have a fishery of some sort available to all Oregon recreational fishermen. Until harm can be scientifically determined, Catcher Co will stand in opposition to the "no limit" proposal.

Please consider measured, cautious moves until all the evidence has been collected and analyzed. Help save this precious Oregon resource.

Thanks for your time

Cordially,

MIKE BORGER

"President"

CATCHER CO.

