

Exhibit H

Southern Resident Killer Whale Listing Petition

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Dear members of the Fish and Wildlife Commission,

Please see attached the comments from 579 Center for Biological Diversity supporters urging you to approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act.

For the Wild,

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First Name Last Name	City	State/Province	Zip	Subject	Comment
Sue Leonetti	Veneta	OR	97487	Please accept the petition to list Southern Resident orcas as endangered in Oregon	Please move forward to approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. We must protect these beautiful and unique mammals. These killer whales are icons of the Pacific Northwest. But just 73 individuals remain, in three family groups. These precious orcas are threatened by starvation, pollution, and noise and disturbance from ships and other human activity. For too long Oregon has lingered on the sidelines of Southern Resident orca recovery efforts. While these killer whales are commonly associated with the Salish Sea, they also migrate and forage along Oregon's coast and in the mouth of the Columbia River. The Center for Biological Diversity and allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. Now it's time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. Please approve the petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction.
David Harrison	Salem	OR	97302	Please accept the petition to list Southern Resident orcas as endangered in Oregon	As Conservation Chair of Salem Audubon I urge you to approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. These killer whales are icons of the Pacific Northwest. But just 73 individuals remain, in three family groups. These precious orcas are threatened by starvation, pollution, and noise and disturbance from ships and other human activity. For too long Oregon has lingered on the sidelines of Southern Resident orca recovery efforts. While these killer whales are commonly associated with the Salish Sea, they also migrate and forage along Oregon's coast and in the mouth of the Columbia River. The Center for Biological Diversity and allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. Now it's time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. Please approve the petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction.
Carolyn Latierra	Portland	OR	97212	This is frighteningly urgent: Please accept the petition to list Southern Resident orcas as endangered in Oregon	What will history say about the extinction of these animals? The science is clear that species are interwoven and cataclysmic changes will ripple across ecosystems. I urge you to approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. These killer whales are icons of the Pacific Northwest. But just 73 individuals remain, in three family groups. These precious orcas are threatened by starvation, pollution, and noise and disturbance from ships and other human activity. For too long Oregon has lingered on the sidelines of Southern Resident orca recovery efforts. While these killer whales are commonly associated with the Salish Sea, they also migrate and forage along Oregon's coast and in the mouth of the Columbia River. The Center for Biological Diversity and allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. Now it's time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. Please approve the petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction.
Cynthia Hogan	Salem	OR	97306	Please accept the petition to list Southern Resident orcas as endangered in Oregon	Please approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. These killer whales are icons of the Pacific Northwest but they are dying out due to human activity and failure to protect them. Just 73 individuals remain, in three family groups. These precious orcas are threatened by starvation, pollution, and noise and disturbance from ships and other human activity. It is long past time to protect them. I cannot understand why Oregon has taken no action on Southern Resident orca recovery efforts. These killer whales are within the state's jurisdiction as migrate and forage along Oregon's coast and in the mouth of the Columbia River. The Center for Biological Diversity and allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. Now it's time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. Please approve the petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction.
Janet Sleath	Bend	OR	97703	Please accept the petition to list Southern Resident orcas as endangered in Oregon	As an Oregonian, I urge you to approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. These killer whales are icons of the Pacific Northwest. But just 73 individuals remain, in three family groups. These precious orcas are threatened by starvation, pollution, and noise and disturbance from ships and other human activity. For too long Oregon has lingered on the sidelines of Southern Resident orca recovery efforts. While these killer whales are commonly associated with the Salish Sea, they also migrate and forage along Oregon's coast and in the mouth of the Columbia River. The Center for Biological Diversity and allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. Now it's time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. Please approve the petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction.
Carrie Gibbons	Portland	OR	97202	Please, please, please accept the petition to list Southern Resident orcas as endangered in Oregon	The significance of your action cannot be overstated. I urge you to approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. These killer whales are icons of the Pacific Northwest. But just 73 individuals remain, in three family groups. These precious orcas are threatened by starvation, pollution, and noise and disturbance from ships and other human activity. For too long Oregon has lingered on the sidelines of Southern Resident orca recovery efforts. While these killer whales are commonly associated with the Salish Sea, they also migrate and forage along Oregon's coast and in the mouth of the Columbia River. The Center for Biological Diversity and allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. Now it's time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. Please approve the petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction.

Babs	Alvernaz	Junction City	OR	97448	Protect the Southern Resident Orcas in Oregon	As an Oregonian and whale watcher I am asking you to immediately approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. Since so few orcas remain, possibly only 73 in the Oregon area, and the few remaining are threatened by ships and possible starvation, each orca is precious. These killer whales are icons of the Pacific Northwest. Sadly, Oregon has lingered on the sidelines of Southern Resident orca recovery efforts. While these killer whales are commonly associated with the Salish Sea, they also migrate and forage along Oregon's coast and in the mouth of the Columbia River. The Center for Biological Diversity, which I am a member of, and allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. This is the time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. We cannot lose these orcas forever. Please approve the petition and proceed with rule making to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction.
Katie	Harvey	Salem	OR	97302	Please accept the petition to list Southern Resident orcas as endangered in Oregon	I urge you to approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. These killer whales are icons of the Pacific Northwest. But just 73 individuals remain, in three family groups. These precious orcas are threatened by starvation, pollution, and noise and disturbance from ships and other human activity. Humans have disrupted their lives, and it's up to humans to fix it. For too long Oregon has lingered on the sidelines of Southern Resident orca recovery efforts. While these killer whales are commonly associated with the Salish Sea, they also migrate and forage along Oregon's coast and in the mouth of the Columbia River. The Center for Biological Diversity and allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. Now it's time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. Please approve the petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction. We have the power to enact change and save these beautiful creatures.
Daniel	Jaffee	Portland	OR	97211	Please list southern resident orcas as endangered in Oregon	I am writing to urge you to approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. Orcas are icons of the Pacific Northwest. But just 73 individuals remain, in only three family groups. These precious orcas are threatened by starvation, pollution, and noise and disturbance from ships and other human activity. For too long Oregon has lingered on the sidelines of Southern Resident orca recovery efforts. While these orcas are commonly associated with Washington and B.C. they also migrate and forage along Oregon's coast and in the mouth of the Columbia River. Several organizations have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. It's time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. Please approve the petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction. Thank you for your attention.
Lisa	Zure	Portland	OR	97215	Please accept the petition to list Southern Resident orcas as endangered in Oregon	We MUST ACT NOW to Protect Southern Resident Orcas while we still can! I urge you to approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. These killer whales are icons of the Pacific Northwest. But just 73 individuals remain, in three family groups. These precious orcas are threatened by starvation, pollution, and noise and disturbance from ships and other human activity. For too long Oregon has lingered on the sidelines of Southern Resident orca recovery efforts. While these killer whales are commonly associated with the Salish Sea, they also migrate and forage along Oregon's coast and in the mouth of the Columbia River. The Center for Biological Diversity and allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. Now it's time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. Please approve the petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction.
Karen	Wolff	Portland	OR	97213	Please accept the petition to list Southern Resident orcas as endangered in Oregon	I urge you to approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. Only 73 individuals remain, in three family groups. It's time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. Please approve the petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction.
Jeff	Wieland	Bend	OR	97707	Protect Southern Resident orcas now!	I urge you to approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. These killer whales are icons of the Pacific Northwest. But just 73 individuals remain, in three family groups. These precious orcas are threatened by starvation, pollution, and noise and disturbance from ships and other human activity. For too long Oregon has lingered on the sidelines of Southern Resident orca recovery efforts. While these killer whales are commonly associated with the Salish Sea, they also migrate and forage along Oregon's coast and in the mouth of the Columbia River. The Center for Biological Diversity and allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. Now it's time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. Please approve the petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction. Buy
Susan	Gustafson	Cave Junction	OR	97523	Please accept the petition to list Southern Resident orcas as endangered in Oregon	I urge you to approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. These killer whales are icons of the Pacific Northwest. But just 73 individuals remain, in three family groups. These precious orcas are threatened by starvation, pollution, and noise and disturbance from ships and other human activity. For too long Oregon has lingered on the sidelines of Southern Resident orca recovery efforts. While these killer whales are commonly associated with the Salish Sea, they also migrate and forage along Oregon's coast and in the mouth of the Columbia River. The Center for Biological Diversity and allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. Now it's time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. It is incumbent on us, humans, the most powerful species on the planet, to protect vulnerable species. Please approve the petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction.

Jack	Wells	Portland	OR	97215	Orcas need help	I urge you to approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. These killer whales are icons of the Pacific Northwest. But just 73 individuals remain, in three family groups. These precious orcas are threatened by starvation, pollution, and noise and disturbance from ships and other human activity. The time to act is now. For too long Oregon has lingered on the sidelines of Southern Resident orca recovery efforts. While these killer whales are commonly associated with the Salish Sea, they also migrate and forage along Oregon's coast and in the mouth of the Columbia River. The Center for Biological Diversity and allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. Now it's time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. Please approve the petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction.
Katherine	Brewer	Lakeview	OR	97630	Please accept the petition to list Southern Resident orcas as endangered in Oregon	I urge you to approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. These killer whales are icons of the Pacific Northwest. But just 73 individuals remain, in three family groups. These precious orcas are threatened by starvation, pollution, and noise and disturbance from ships and other human activity. For too long Oregon has lingered on the sidelines of Southern Resident orca recovery efforts. While these killer whales are commonly associated with the Salish Sea, they also migrate and forage along Oregon's coast and in the mouth of the Columbia River. The Center for Biological Diversity and allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. Now it's time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. Please approve the petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction. Species in massive decline need a collective effort to insure they continue to exist. Their future depends on the state of Oregon joining with popular sentiment to protect our iconic species. Species extinction is due to habitat degradation and our species success on earth is totally dependent on the functioning web of life. When apex predators decline that indicates the interrelated networks underpinning them are disappearing. Extinction events are crashes! They're coming. Step up and do something!
Jim	Dundee	Sisters	OR	97759	Please accept the petition to list Southern Resident orcas as endangered in Oregon	I urge you to approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. These killer whales are icons of the Pacific Northwest. But just 73 individuals remain, in three family groups. These precious orcas are threatened by starvation, pollution, and noise and disturbance from ships and other human activity. For too long Oregon has lingered on the sidelines of Southern Resident orca recovery efforts. While these killer whales are commonly associated with the Salish Sea, they also migrate and forage along Oregon's coast and in the mouth of the Columbia River. The Center for Biological Diversity and allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. Now it's time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. Please approve the petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction. Thank you!! Jim Dundee
Ann	Kalish	Portland	OR	97217	Please accept the petition to list Southern Resident orcas as endangered in Oregon	EXTINCTION IS FOREVER. I urge you to approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. These killer whales are icons of the Pacific Northwest. But just 73 individuals remain, in three family groups. These precious orcas are threatened by starvation, pollution, and noise and disturbance from ships and other human activity. For too long Oregon has lingered on the sidelines of Southern Resident orca recovery efforts. While these killer whales are commonly associated with the Salish Sea, they also migrate and forage along Oregon's coast and in the mouth of the Columbia River. The Center for Biological Diversity and allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. Now it's time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. Please approve the petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction.
Julie	Sonam	Springfield	OR	97477	Please accept the petition to list Southern Resident orcas as endangered in Oregon	PLEASE! I urge you to approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. These killer whales are icons of the Pacific Northwest. But just 73 individuals remain, in three family groups. These precious orcas are threatened by starvation, pollution, and noise and disturbance from ships and other human activity. For too long Oregon has lingered on the sidelines of Southern Resident orca recovery efforts. While these killer whales are commonly associated with the Salish Sea, they also migrate and forage along Oregon's coast and in the mouth of the Columbia River. The Center for Biological Diversity and allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. Now it's time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. Please approve the petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction. I am counting on you to do the right thing!
Kaye	Exo	Portland	OR	97211	Please accept the petition to list Southern Resident orcas as endangered in Oregon	I urge you to approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. These killer whales are icons of the Pacific Northwest. But just 73 individuals remain, in three family groups. These precious orcas are threatened by starvation, pollution, and noise and disturbance from ships and other human activity. For too long Oregon has lingered on the sidelines of Southern Resident orca recovery efforts. While these killer whales are commonly associated with the Salish Sea, they also migrate and forage along Oregon's coast and in the mouth of the Columbia River. The Center for Biological Diversity and allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. Now it's time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. Please approve the petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction. It is important to me that these wonderful creatures inhabit the world of my descendants.

Linore	Blackstone	Portland	OR	97213	<p>I urge you to approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. INSTEAD OF PRACTICING TARGET MANAGEMENT, WHY NOT PROTECT THESE BEINGS? ACT WITH INTEGRITY. CARE FOR OTHER LIFE. These killer whales are icons of the Pacific Northwest. But just 73 individuals remain, in three family groups. These precious orcas are threatened by starvation, pollution, and noise and disturbance from ships and other human activity. For too long Oregon has lingered on the sidelines of Southern Resident orca recovery efforts. While these killer whales are commonly associated with the Salish Sea, they also migrate and forage along Oregon's coast and in the mouth of the Columbia River. The Center for Biological Diversity and allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. Now it's time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. Please approve the petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction.</p>
Liz	Capizzi	Corvallis	OR	97333	<p>It's important to approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. These killer whales are icons of the Pacific Northwest. But just 73 individuals remain, in three family groups. These precious orcas are threatened by starvation, pollution, and noise and disturbance from ships and other human activity. For too long Oregon has lingered on the sidelines of Southern Resident orca recovery efforts. While these killer whales are commonly associated with the Salish Sea, they also migrate and forage along Oregon's coast and in the mouth of the Columbia River. The Center for Biological Diversity and allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. Now it's time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. Please approve the petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction.</p>
Terence	Shumaker	West Linn	OR	97068	<p>I recently saw several orcas swimming in Port Angeles, WA harbor, and although the sight was moving, I instantly realized that this species may be on the verge of extinction. I urge you to approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. These killer whales are icons of the Pacific Northwest. But just 73 individuals remain, in three family groups. These precious orcas are threatened by starvation, pollution, and noise and disturbance from ships and other human activity. For too long Oregon has lingered on the sidelines of Southern Resident orca recovery efforts. While these killer whales are commonly associated with the Salish Sea, they also migrate and forage along Oregon's coast and in the mouth of the Columbia River. The Center for Biological Diversity and allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. Now it's time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. Please approve the petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction.</p>
Joan	Maiers	Lake Oswego	OR	97034	<p>I urge you to approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. These orcas are icons of the Pacific Northwest. Only 73 individuals remain, in three family groups. They are threatened by starvation, pollution, and noise or disturbance from ships and other human activity. For too long, Oregon has lingered on the sidelines of Southern Resident orca recovery efforts. While these killer whales typically appear around the Salish Sea area, they also migrate and forage along Oregon's coast or in the mouth of the Columbia River. The Center for Biological Diversity and allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as 'endangered' under the state's Endangered Species Act. Now is the time for Oregon to acknowledge the state's role in saving these extraordinary animals as well as the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. Please approve this petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas receive the protection they need to escape extinction.</p>
Kim	Fischer	Weston	OR	97886	<p>Please, please, please listen. This is so important. We cannot lose this species due to human greed and ignorance. I urge you to approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. These killer whales are icons of the Pacific Northwest. But just 73 individuals remain, in three family groups. These precious orcas are threatened by starvation, pollution, and noise and disturbance from ships and other human activity. For too long Oregon has lingered on the sidelines of Southern Resident orca recovery efforts. While these killer whales are commonly associated with the Salish Sea, they also migrate and forage along Oregon's coast and in the mouth of the Columbia River. The Center for Biological Diversity and allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. Now it's time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. Please approve the petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction.</p>
Dave	Potter	Klamath Falls	OR	97603	<p>My wife and I have family in the Puget Sound area and I worked there [US Coast Guard.] Killer whales are a very important animal in that ecosystem. Just like wolves in Yellowstone. We need Orcas in south Puget Sound...and north Sound too. They are slipping away. Please do use your legal authorities to protect the south Sound killer whales through E.S.A. Modern wildlife science studies have shown many time how important predators are in healthy wildlife populations. We must work harder to stop the south Puget Sound killer whales from disappearing. That means using ESA and listing them. Please do this. History has shown that state agencies have too many constraints to protect non-game species adequately. It must be a federal action. Please do the right thing, act on listing them, please.</p>
Beverly	Sherrill	Florence	OR	97439	<p>This is an urgent time for the Orcas!! I urge you to approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. These killer whales are icons of the Pacific Northwest. But just 73 individuals remain, in three family groups. These precious orcas are threatened by starvation, pollution, and noise and disturbance from ships and other human activity. For too long Oregon has lingered on the sidelines of Southern Resident orca recovery efforts. While these killer whales are commonly associated with the Salish Sea, they also migrate and forage along Oregon's coast and in the mouth of the Columbia River. The Center for Biological Diversity and allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. Now it's time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. Please approve the petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction.</p>

Cathy	Lewis-Dougherty	Lake Oswego	OR	97035	List Southern Resident orcas as endangered in Oregon	I urge you to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. These killer whales are icons of the Pacific Northwest. But just 73 individuals remain, in three family groups. These precious orcas are threatened by starvation, pollution, and noise and disturbance from ships and other human activity. For too long Oregon has lingered on the sidelines of Southern Resident orca recovery efforts. While these killer whales are commonly associated with the Salish Sea, they also migrate and forage along Oregon's coast and in the mouth of the Columbia River. The Center for Biological Diversity and allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. Now it's time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. Please approve the petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction.
Stephen A	Johnson	Portland	OR	97225	Please accept the petition to list Southern Resident orcas as endangered in Oregon	I urge you to approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. These killer whales are icons of the Pacific Northwest. But just 73 individuals remain, in three family groups. These precious orcas are threatened by starvation, pollution, and noise and disturbance from ships and other human activity. For too long Oregon has lingered on the sidelines of Southern Resident orca recovery efforts. While these killer whales are commonly associated with the Salish Sea, they also migrate and forage along Oregon's coast and in the mouth of the Columbia River. The Center for Biological Diversity and allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. Now it's time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. Removal of dams on the Klamath River will increase salmon survival, giant kelp & sea otters also need protection in Oregon as do the remaining redwood trees. Our coast is a natural resource. Please approve the petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction.
Jean	Wynn	Portland	OR	97222	Petition to list So. Resident orcas as endangered in Oregon	Please approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under our Endangered Species Act. These killer whales are icons of the Pacific Northwest. But just 73 individuals remain, in three family groups. They are threatened by starvation, pollution, and disturbance from ships and other human activity. For too long Oregon has lingered on the sidelines of orca recovery efforts. While these killer whales spend time the Salish Sea, they also migrate and forage along Oregon's coast and in the mouth of the Columbia. The Center for Biological Diversity and allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. Now it's time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. Please approve the petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction.
Christopher	Toyne	Vancouver	WA	98660	Please accept the petition to list Southern Resident orcas as endangered in Oregon	ACT NOW! It is IMPERATIVE. What will you tell your children and grandchildren when they can only see pictures in a nature book - SOON - when these iconic and intelligent animals have been wiped off the FACE OF THE EARTH?? I urge you to approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. These killer whales are icons of the Pacific Northwest. But just 73 individuals remain, in three family groups. These precious orcas are threatened by starvation, pollution, and noise and disturbance from ships and other human activity. For too long Oregon has lingered on the sidelines of Southern Resident orca recovery efforts. While these killer whales are commonly associated with the Salish Sea, they also migrate and forage along Oregon's coast and in the mouth of the Columbia River. The Center for Biological Diversity and allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. Now it's time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. Please approve the petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction.
Brent	Barton	Portland	OR	97225	Please accept and respect the petition to list Southern Resident orcas as endangered in Oregon	I strongly urge you to approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. These killer whales are icons of the Pacific Northwest. But just 73 individuals remain, in three family groups. These precious orcas are threatened by starvation, pollution, and noise and disturbance from ships and other human activity. For too long Oregon has lingered on the sidelines of Southern Resident orca recovery efforts. While these killer whales are commonly associated with the Salish Sea, they also migrate and forage along Oregon's coast and in the mouth of the Columbia River. The Center for Biological Diversity and allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. Now it's time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. Please approve the petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction.
Michael	Stock	Portland	OR	97223	Please accept the petition to list Southern Resident orcas as endangered in Oregon	I urge you to approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under Oregon's Endangered Species Act. These killer whales are icons of the Pacific Northwest, but just 73 individuals remain, in three family groups. These orcas are threatened by starvation, pollution, and noise and disturbance from ships and other human activity. For too long Oregon has lingered on the sidelines of Southern Resident orca recovery efforts. Although these killer whales are commonly associated with the Salish Sea, they also migrate and forage along Oregon's coast and in the mouth of the Columbia River. The Center for Biological Diversity and allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. It is time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. Please approve the petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction. Thank you for considering my views.

Barbara	Davis	Waldport	OR	97394	Please accept the petition to list Southern Resident orcas as endangered in Oregon	I urge you to approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. These killer whales are icons of the Pacific Northwest. But just 73 individuals remain, in three family groups. These precious orcas are threatened by starvation, pollution, and noise and disturbance from ships and other human activity. For too long Oregon has lingered on the sidelines of Southern Resident orca recovery efforts. While these killer whales are commonly associated with the Salish Sea, they also migrate and forage along Oregon's coast and in the mouth of the Columbia River. The Center for Biological Diversity and allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. Now it's time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. Stop bending to corporate power. We are dependent on nature for our own survival. Respect and protect ALL species. Please approve the petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction.
Kathy	Witkowski	Portland	OR	97267	Please list Southern Resident orcas as endangered in Oregon	I urge you to approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. These killer whales are icons of the Pacific Northwest. But just 73 individuals remain, in three family groups. These wonderful creatures are threatened by starvation, pollution, and noise and disturbance from ships and other human activity. Please ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction.
Chris	Wille	Beavercreek	OR	97004	Please take a stand for Southern Resident orcas	The iconic orca fins cut Oregon waters as well as the Salish Sea, but Oregon could do much more to keep them from going extinct. The southern resident population is down to just 73 individuals in three families. Please start by approving the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. Thanks from a proud native Oregonian, wildlife biologist and fisherman.
Linda	Craig	Portland	OR	97210	Please accept the petition to list Southern Resident orcas as endangered in Oregon	I ask that you accept the petition to list Southern Resident orcas as endangered in Oregon. It would be an incredible loss if our PNW orcas do not survive. You can help by being sure that Oregon will take protective action when it is helpful to the orcas.
Diane	Craig	Beaverton	OR	97008	Please accept the petition to list Southern Resident orcas as endangered in Oregon	I urge you to approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. These killer whales are icons of the Pacific Northwest. But just 73 individuals remain, in three family groups. These precious orcas are threatened by starvation, pollution, and noise and disturbance from ships and other human activity. For too long Oregon has lingered on the sidelines of Southern Resident orca recovery efforts making it solely Washington state problem. Meanwhile these killer whales are commonly associated with the Salish Sea, they also migrate and forage along Oregon's coast and in the mouth of the Columbia River. The Center for Biological Diversity and allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. Now it's time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. Rather than bowing to pressure from the fishing industry. Just as crab season for the past few years have either been postponed or delayed due to different reasons I cannot understand why the same principle cannot apply here for salmon returning to the Columbia. Sadly if no action is taken now to protect the Southern Resident Orca's and their feeding grounds then we are not only condemning them to extinction but our generation will be the ones who have systematically overfished and destroyed a once vast and thriving ocean ecosystem all to feed the ever growing fat bellies of humans. Please do the ethical, moral and right thing, Please approve the petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction.
Pamela	Breitwater	Portland	OR	97225	Please accept the petition to list Southern Resident orcas as endangered in Oregon	I urge you to approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. It is imperative for all life on the planet that we prevent the extinction of any more species. These killer whales are icons of the Pacific Northwest. But just 73 individuals remain, in three family groups. These precious orcas are threatened by starvation, pollution, and noise and disturbance from ships and other human activity. For too long Oregon has lingered on the sidelines of Southern Resident orca recovery efforts. While these killer whales are commonly associated with the Salish Sea, they also migrate and forage along Oregon's coast and in the mouth of the Columbia River. The Center for Biological Diversity and allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. Now it's time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. Please approve the petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction.
Jana	Castañares	Mount Hood Parkdale	OR	97041	Please accept the petition to list Southern Resident orcas as endangered in Oregon	PLEASE PLEASE approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. Orca whales are icons of the Pacific Northwest. But just 73 individuals remain, in three family groups. These precious orcas are threatened by starvation, pollution, and noise and disturbance from ships and other human activity. For too long Oregon has lingered on the sidelines of Southern Resident orca recovery efforts. While these killer whales are commonly associated with the Salish Sea, they also migrate and forage along Oregon's coast and in the mouth of the Columbia River. The Center for Biological Diversity and allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. Now it's time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. Please approve the petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction.

Howard	Shapiro	Portland	OR	97201	<p>I urge you to approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. These killer whales are icons of the Pacific Northwest. But just 73 individuals remain, in three family groups. These precious orcas are threatened by starvation, pollution, and noise and disturbance from ships and other human activity. For too long Oregon has lingered on the sidelines of Southern Resident orca recovery efforts. While these killer whales are commonly associated with the Salish Sea, they also migrate and forage along Oregon's coast and in the mouth of the Columbia River. I have observed them as far south as the Siuslaw River. The Center for Biological Diversity and allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. Now it's time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. Please approve the petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction.</p>
J.L.	Byrne	Oceanside	OR	97134	<p>I live near the coast at Tillamook and I care very much about the fate of the killer whales. Please do everything you can to protect the whales and their habitat. Rising temperatures are a threat their food supply (salmon). We have to do more to protect the salmon and to protect the killer whales themselves. Let's start with banning fishing in the Columbia's cold water refuges! I urge you to approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. These killer whales are icons of the Pacific Northwest. But just 73 individuals remain, in three family groups. These precious orcas are threatened by starvation, pollution, and noise and disturbance from ships and other human activity. For too long Oregon has lingered on the sidelines of Southern Resident orca recovery efforts. While these killer whales are commonly associated with the Salish Sea, they also migrate and forage along Oregon's coast and in the mouth of the Columbia River. The Center for Biological Diversity and allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. Now it's time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. Please approve the petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction.</p>
David	Edwards	Eugene	OR	97404	<p>This expresses my feelings exactly! I urge you to approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. These killer whales are icons of the Pacific Northwest. But just 73 individuals remain, in three family groups. These precious orcas are threatened by starvation, pollution, and noise and disturbance from ships and other human activity. For too long Oregon has lingered on the sidelines of Southern Resident orca recovery efforts. While these killer whales are commonly associated with the Salish Sea, they also migrate and forage along Oregon's coast and in the mouth of the Columbia River. The Center for Biological Diversity and allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. Now it's time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. Please approve the petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction.</p>
Gay	Kramer-Dodd	Eugene	OR	97404	<p>As an Oregonian and as someone who grew up overlooking Washington's Puget Sound, I have a love for orcas and great dismay at the tremendous population decline of the resident orcas. So I urge you to approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. These killer whales are icons of the Pacific Northwest. But just 73 individuals remain, in three family groups. These precious orcas are threatened by starvation, pollution, and noise and disturbance from ships and other human activity. I am sorry to know that my state of 38 years, Oregon, has lingered on the sidelines of Southern Resident orca recovery efforts. While these killer whales are commonly associated with the Salish Sea, they also migrate and forage along Oregon's coast and in the mouth of the Columbia River. The Center for Biological Diversity and allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. Now it's time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. Please approve the petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction.</p>
Dan and Mrs. Janet	Blair	Joseph	OR	97846	<p>As residents of Oregon (one of us a native), we urge you to approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under Oregon's Endangered Species Act. These killer whales are icons of the Pacific Northwest. But just 73 individuals remain, in three family groups. That is just shocking. These precious orcas are threatened by starvation, pollution, and noise and disturbance from ships and other human activity. For too long Oregon has lingered on the sidelines of Southern Resident orca recovery efforts. While these killer whales are commonly associated with the Salish Sea, we know they also migrate and forage along Oregon's coast and in the mouth of the Columbia River. The Center for Biological Diversity (of which we have long been members) and allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. Now it's time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. Please approve the petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction. We urge you to give our concerns and recommendation your most serious and thoughtful consideration.</p>
Teresa	Delorenzo	Canby	OR	97013	<p>Please approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. We need them as part of a diverse and healthy ocean ecosystem. These killer whales are icons of the Pacific Northwest. But just 73 individuals remain, in three family groups. These precious orcas are threatened by starvation, pollution, and noise and disturbance from ships and other human activity. For too long Oregon has lingered on the sidelines of Southern Resident orca recovery efforts. While these killer whales are commonly associated with the Salish Sea, they also migrate and forage along Oregon's coast and in the mouth of the Columbia River. The Center for Biological Diversity and allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. Now it's time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. Please approve the petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction.</p>

Carol	Alley	Corvallis	OR	97330	<p>PLEASE Approve the Petition to List Southern Resident Orcas as Endangered in Oregon!</p> <p>you know that ONLY 73 individuals remain of this vital iconic species, in three family groups. These amazing orcas are threatened by starvation, pollution, and noise and disturbance from ships and other human activity. Oregon has waited on the sidelines of Southern Resident orca recovery efforts. These killer whales migrate and forage along Oregon's coast and in the mouth of the Columbia River. They are an important part of the tourist industry of Oregon and ocean ecosystems! The Center for Biological Diversity and allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. Now it's time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. PLEASE approve the petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the LAST THREE FAMILIES OF SOUTHERN RESIDENT ORCAS get the protection they need to ESCAPE EXTINCTION!!</p>
Lin	Wever	Salem	OR	97301	<p>Accept the petition to list Southern Resident orcas as endangered in Oregon</p> <p>Approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. These killer whales are icons of the Pacific Northwest. But just 73 individuals remain, in three family groups. These precious orcas are threatened by starvation, pollution, and noise and disturbance from ships and other human activity. For too long Oregon has lingered on the sidelines of Southern Resident orca recovery efforts. While these killer whales are commonly associated with the Salish Sea, they also migrate and forage along Oregon's coast and in the mouth of the Columbia River. The Center for Biological Diversity and allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. Now it's time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. Do the right thing, finally, and approve the petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction.</p>
Phoenix	Oaks	Portland	OR	97217	<p>Southern Resident orcas must be listed as endangered in Oregon now</p> <p>I am writing to strongly urge you to approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. If they are not adequately protected now, these critically imperiled orcas can disappear forever in the near future. These killer whales are icons of the Pacific Northwest. Sadly, just 73 individuals remain in three family groups. They are threatened by starvation, pollution, and noise and disturbance from ships and other human activity. For too long Oregon has lingered on the sidelines of Southern Resident orca recovery efforts. While these killer whales are commonly associated with the Salish Sea, they also migrate and forage along Oregon's coast and in the mouth of the Columbia River. The Center for Biological Diversity and allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. Now it's time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. Please swiftly approve the petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction. Thank you.</p>
Lynn	Laupheimer	Talent	OR	97540	<p>Please accept the petition to list Southern Resident orcas as endangered in Oregon</p> <p>Please do everything you can to save these whales. It is your job and everyone's job to protect our wildlife. Their numbers are dwindling. Thank you. I urge you to approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. These killer whales are icons of the Pacific Northwest. But just 73 individuals remain, in three family groups. These precious orcas are threatened by starvation, pollution, and noise and disturbance from ships and other human activity. For too long Oregon has lingered on the sidelines of Southern Resident orca recovery efforts. While these killer whales are commonly associated with the Salish Sea, they also migrate and forage along Oregon's coast and in the mouth of the Columbia River. The Center for Biological Diversity and allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. Now it's time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. Please approve the petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction.</p>
Charlotte	Maloney	Eugene	OR	97405	<p>Accept petition to list Southern Resident orcas as endangered in Oregon</p> <p>I strongly urge you to approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. Only 73 individuals to these icons of the Pacific Northwest remain- in three family groups. These precious orcas are threatened by starvation, pollution, noise disturbance from ships, and other human activity. For too long Oregon has lingered on the sidelines of Southern Resident orca recovery efforts. While these killer whales are commonly associated with the Salish Sea and Puget Sound, they also migrate and forage along Oregon's coast and in the mouth of the Columbia River. The Center for Biological Diversity and allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. Now it's time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals along with the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. Please approve the petition and proceed with rule-making to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident Orcas get the protection they need to avoid extinction.</p>
Alex	Tucker	Fairview	OR	97024	<p>In regards to the Southern Resident orcas in Oregon</p> <p>My name is Alex Tucker, and I am a student at Portland State University studying supply, logistics, and sustainability. In my years of study, I have learned of the important role that keystone species like orca whales play in our ecosystems. I urge you to approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. These killer whales are icons of the Pacific Northwest. But just 73 individuals remain, in three family groups. These precious orcas are threatened by starvation, pollution, and noise and disturbance from ships and other human activity. For too long Oregon has lingered on the sidelines of Southern Resident orca recovery efforts. While these killer whales are commonly associated with the Salish Sea, they also migrate and forage along Oregon's coast and in the mouth of the Columbia River. The Center for Biological Diversity and allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. Now it's time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. Please approve the petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction.</p>

Marian	Carter	Elkton	OR	97436	<p>I hate to think about how close Oregon is to losing its beautiful orcas. Please don't let that happen. Please approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. These killer whales are icons of the Pacific Northwest. But just 73 individuals remain, in three family groups. These precious orcas are threatened by starvation, pollution, and noise and disturbance from ships and other human activity. For too long Oregon has lingered on the sidelines of Southern Resident orca recovery efforts. While these killer whales are commonly associated with the Salish Sea, they also migrate and forage along Oregon's coast and in the mouth of the Columbia River. The Center for Biological Diversity and allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. Now it's time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. Please approve the petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction.</p>
Natalie	Ranker	North Bend	OR	97459	<p>I urge you to approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. These killer whales are icons of the Pacific Northwest. But just 73 individuals remain, in three family groups. These precious orcas are threatened by starvation, pollution, and noise and disturbance from ships and other human activity. For too long Oregon has lingered on the sidelines of Southern Resident orca recovery efforts. While these killer whales are commonly associated with the Salish Sea, they also migrate and forage along Oregon's coast and in the mouth of the Columbia River. The Center for Biological Diversity and allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. Now it's time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. Please approve the petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction. Please approve this petition so that they may remain a part of our lives and the lives of future generations. WE CANNOT LOSE THEM.</p>
Lee	Webb	Portland	OR	97202	<p>This is LONG OVERDUE and ABSOLUTELY ESSENTIAL!!! You MUST approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. These killer whales are icons of the Pacific Northwest. But just 73 individuals remain, in three family groups. These precious orcas are threatened by starvation, pollution, and noise and disturbance from ships and other human activity. For too long Oregon has lingered on the sidelines of Southern Resident orca recovery efforts. While these killer whales are commonly associated with the Salish Sea, they also migrate and forage along Oregon's coast and in the mouth of the Columbia River. The Center for Biological Diversity and allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. Now it's time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. Please approve the petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction.</p>
Barbara Nina	Council	Ashland	OR	97520	<p>I urge you to approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. They are starving, probably due to mans over fishing of salmon, and climate change. These killer whales are icons of the Pacific Northwest. But just 73 individuals remain, in three family groups. These precious orcas are threatened by starvation, pollution, and noise and disturbance from ships and other human activity. For too long Oregon has lingered on the sidelines of Southern Resident orca recovery efforts. While these killer whales are commonly associated with the Salish Sea, they also migrate and forage along Oregon's coast and in the mouth of the Columbia River. The Center for Biological Diversity and allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. Now it's time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. Please approve the petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction.</p>
Philip Bradford	Cobb	Ashland	OR	97520	<p>As an Oregon resident, please approve the petition to protect the Southern Resident orcas under the Oregon's Endangered Species Act. These killer whales are icons of the Pacific Northwest but now only 73 individuals remain, in three family groups. These precious orcas are threatened by starvation, pollution, and noise and disturbance from ships and other human activity. For far too long Oregon has lingered on the sidelines of Southern Resident orca recovery efforts. While these killer whales are commonly associated with the Salish Sea, they also migrate and forage along Oregon's northern coast and the mouth of the Columbia River. The Center for Biological Diversity and it's allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. It's time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the Oregon's role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. Please approve the petition and proceed with the necessary rule making to ensure the last three families of 73 Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction. Respectfully submitted!</p>
mary	kearney	Portland	OR	97203	<p>I urge you to approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. These killer whales are icons of the Pacific Northwest. But just 73 individuals remain, in three family groups. These precious orcas are threatened by starvation, pollution, and noise and disturbance from ships and other human activity. For too long Oregon has lingered on the sidelines of Southern Resident orca recovery efforts. While these killer whales are commonly associated with the Salish Sea, they also migrate and forage along Oregon's coast and in the mouth of the Columbia River. The Center for Biological Diversity and allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. Now it's time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. Please approve the petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction. As a former state of Oregon employee I am familiar with your agency. I know that you care about your mission. It doesn't make sense, therefore, that the Agency isn't doing everything possible to save and protect the orcas. People travel here in hopes of getting a view of the amazing orcas. As Oregonians we must do everything we can to save them for ourselves and others. Please get on board.</p>

Jennifer	Holmes	Bend	OR	97701	<p>I am a fourth generation Oregonian that cares deeply about the protection and conservation of orcas in the PNW. I urge you to approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. These killer whales are icons of the Pacific Northwest. But just 73 individuals remain, in three family groups. These precious orcas are threatened by starvation, pollution, and noise and disturbance from ships and other human activity. For too long Oregon has lingered on the sidelines of Southern Resident orca recovery efforts. While these killer whales are commonly associated with the Salish Sea, they also migrate and forage along Oregon's coast and in the mouth of the Columbia River. The Center for Biological Diversity and allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. Now it's time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. Please approve the petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction.</p>
Linda	Hansen	Portland	OR	97218	<p>I urge you to approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. These killer whales are icons of the Pacific Northwest. But just 73 individuals remain, in three family groups. These precious orcas are threatened by starvation, pollution, and noise and disturbance from ships and other human activity. For too long Oregon has lingered on the sidelines of Southern Resident orca recovery efforts. While these killer whales are commonly associated with the Salish Sea, they also migrate and forage along Oregon's coast and in the mouth of the Columbia River. The Center for Biological Diversity and allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. Now it's time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. Please approve the petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction. We must offer them all our support for protections!</p>
Elizabeth	Warriner	Bend	OR	97703	<p>As an Oregon resident, I urge you to approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. These killer whales are icons of the Pacific Northwest. But just 73 individuals remain, in three family groups. These precious orcas are threatened by starvation, pollution, and noise and disturbance from ships and other human activity. For too long Oregon has lingered on the sidelines of Southern Resident orca recovery efforts. While these killer whales are commonly associated with the Salish Sea, they also migrate and forage along Oregon's coast and in the mouth of the Columbia River. The Center for Biological Diversity and allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. Now it's time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. Please approve the petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction.</p>
Claire	Duquesne	Portland	OR	97214	<p>We are in a climate emergency, it is undebatable, and the species that provide of us protection to a worst future are the first to suffer. I beg of you as someone in power, to use your voice to amplify that of the people like myself. We need to protect these Orcas! Each act we take as humans impacts our planet. Not only are unique and beautiful animals, flora, fauna, fungi and ecosystems dying but the very fabric of our world is falling apart as a result of negligence, denial and hate. As an Oregon resident, I grew up in awe of the Southern Resident Orcas, they are a pride of the Pacific Northwest, and SO important to our ecosystems. We need these important predators or the balance of nature is greatly shaken. I urge you to approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. These killer whales are icons of the Pacific Northwest. But just 73 individuals remain, in three family groups. These precious orcas are threatened by starvation, pollution, and noise and disturbance from ships and other human activity. For too long Oregon has lingered on the sidelines of Southern Resident orca recovery efforts. While these killer whales are commonly associated with the Salish Sea, they also migrate and forage along Oregon's coast and in the mouth of the Columbia River. The Center for Biological Diversity and allies have petitioned the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to protect Southern Resident orcas as endangered under the state's Endangered Species Act. Now it's time for Oregon to step up and acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary animals and the Chinook salmon they depend on for survival. Please please please please please approve the petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the last three families of Southern Resident orcas get the protection they need to escape extinction.</p>
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Dana	Bleckinger	Yachats	OR	97498
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Jan	Bird	Lostine	OR	97857
Darren	Coleman	Roseburg	OR	97471
Sandra	Schomberg	Corvallis	OR	97330
Craig	Emerick	Corvallis	OR	97330
Linda	Bolduan	Lake Oswego	OR	97034
Denine	Heinemann	Portland	OR	97217
CASSANDRIA	LEMMON	Cottage Grove	OR	97424
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Melanie	Hlavacka	Portland	OR	97210
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Rebecca	Clark	Portland	OR	97203
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Jaci	Harris	Eagle Point	OR	97524
Angie	Heide	Portland	OR	97214
Rhett	Lawrence	Portland	OR	97217
Sarah	Welte	Beaverton	OR	97007
Tracy	Mott	West Linn	OR	97068
Czora	Pagsolingan	Gresham	OR	97080
Stacy	Alaimo	Eugene	OR	97404
Denny	Duncan	Lincoln City	OR	97367
Philip	Lewin	Corvallis	OR	97333
Laura	Fleming	Eagle Point	OR	97524
Helen	Moissant	Central Point	OR	97502
Esther	Friedman	Salem	OR	97302
Laura	Stice	Eugene	OR	97402
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Dolores	Matthys	Seaside	OR	97138
Tascha	Babitch	Portland	OR	97214
Jessica	Stainbrook	Eugene	OR	97405
Mark	Schlatter	West Linn	OR	97068
Monique	Williams	West Linn	OR	97068

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Maureen	O'Neal	Portland	OR	97223
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DJ	Wilson	Ashland	OR	97520
Satomi	Honda	Beaverton	OR	97008
Claudia	Hasenhuttl	Gold Beach	OR	97444
karen	horton	Independence	OR	97351
Lani	Wright	Cave Junction	OR	97523
Mary	Callison	Redmond	OR	97756
Amy	Lafferty	Bend	OR	97702
Susan	Delles	Rogue River	OR	97537
Kathryn	Robinson	Gladstone	OR	97027
Nina	Mcnitzky	Estacada	OR	97023
Susan	Drew	Sandy	OR	97055
Estelle	Voeller	Medford	OR	97501
Kevin	Brown	Astoria	OR	97103
Erin	McDonald	Portland	OR	97216
Kima	Garrison	Portland	OR	97211
Kaitlyn	Wright	Fall Creek	OR	97438
Robert	Thornhill	Clackamas	OR	97015
Dr David D	Markwardt	Terrebonne	OR	97760
Brad	Nahill	Portland	OR	97206
William	Koch	Corvallis	OR	97330
Kristine	Metzner	Cornelius	OR	97113
Ute	Saito	Portland	OR	97229
Wendy	Pappadis	Wilsonville	OR	97070
Karen	Ddebraal	Springfield	OR	97477
Robert	Inerfeld	Eugene	OR	97405
Dean	Pryer	Eugene	OR	97402
Aletha	Harlow	Waldport	OR	97394
David	Klingensmith	Eugene	OR	97401
Phil	Hanson	Salem	OR	97301
Larry	Morningstar	Talent	OR	97540
Mark	Thalman	Forest Grove	OR	97116
elizabeth	gardner	Gresham	OR	97080
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Karen	Froming	Lake Oswego	OR	97035
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Francisco	Gadea	Portland	OR	97212
David	M Milholland	Portland	OR	97211

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Marjorie	Ackerman	Newport	OR	97365
Tram	Ngo	Portland	OR	97209
Michael	Renfrow	Portland	OR	97213
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Kim	Wick	Buxton	OR	97109
David	Dragavon	Portland	OR	97267
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April 18, 2023

Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission
4034 Fairview Industrial Drive SE
Salem, OR 97302

Re: **Support for the Petition to List Southern Resident Orcas as Endangered under the Oregon Endangered Species Act**

Dear Chair Wahl and Commissioners,

The 30 undersigned organizations are writing in support of the Petition to List Southern Resident Orcas (*Orcinus Orca*) as an Endangered Species Under the Oregon Endangered Species Act and urge the Commission to accept the petition and advance rulemaking.

The Southern Resident orcas are a well-known and beloved species worldwide. They are also highly endangered. Their population has not made progress towards recovery since being listed under the federal Endangered Species Act in 2005. Threats to the orcas remain prevalent and persistent throughout their range, and collaborative action among Northwest decision-makers is urgently needed to address them. Recovery efforts must occur at all levels – federal, state, and local – and Oregon has an opportunity to contribute to the actions needed to ensure a future for these magnificent icons of the Pacific Northwest.

Human-induced changes to the ecosystem that the Southern Residents rely on and decline of their primary food, Chinook salmon, have driven the population's decrease regionwide. Urban, agricultural, and industrial growth has altered the river systems that support salmon and introduced long-lasting, toxic pollutants to their waters. Increasingly busy and noisy oceans make it harder for the orcas to find already-scarce food, and a single catastrophic event, such as an oil spill, could wipe out their population entirely.

For too long, Oregon has deferred responsibility for Southern Resident orca recovery to Washington or to the federal government. Listing the Southern Residents as endangered will signal that Oregon is ready to do its part in addressing the myriad threats humans continue to pose to their survival. It will enable a range of conservation measures, catalyze coordination among state and federal agencies, streamline and complement Oregon's work to recover wild salmon, and advance additional actions to support ecosystem restoration and resiliency for the Southern Residents.

Oregon's waters are a fundamental part of the Southern Residents' home range. They regularly forage off the Oregon coast in the late winter and early spring, targeting Chinook salmon as they return to the Columbia River watershed and coastal rivers. They rely on migration corridors off Oregon to travel to their southernmost feeding grounds in Monterey Bay, California, and back to their core summer habitat in the Salish Sea. Oregon is part of their home, and it is past time to recognize them as Oregon's orcas too.

The Southern Resident orcas are out of time. Their population is on the brink of collapse, and they need every advantage we can give them. They need Oregon to be a champion. We urge the Commission to accept this petition to demonstrate the state's commitment to recovering these iconic orcas.

Sincerely,

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American Cetacean Society, Oregon Chapter

Steve Griffiths
Conservation Chair
Audubon Society of Lincoln City

Bethany Cotton
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Animal Wellness Action
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EMERSON Steven C * ODFW

From: Jörg Gaiser <JoergGaiser@gmx.net>
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2023 1:24 PM
To: ODFW Commission * ODFW
Subject: Please save Southern Residents!

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen,

I urge you to approve the petition to protect Southern Resident orcas under the state's Endangered Species Act. These orcas are icons of the Pacific Northwest, and threats to their survival are present throughout their range.

For too long, Oregon has lingered on the sidelines of recovery efforts. Oregon waters and rivers are essential for their survival, and Oregon must step up to acknowledge the state's critical role in saving these extraordinary whales.

Please approve the petition and proceed with rulemaking to ensure the Southern Resident orca community gets the protection they need to survive and thrive.

Sincerely,

Jörg Gaiser
Baiersbronn
Germany

EMERSON Steven C * ODFW

From: crystal fisher <spokanecrystal@hotmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2023 1:09 PM
To: ODFW Commission * ODFW
Subject: Srkw

Please protect them and the environment. I am so sick of government negligence when it comes to protecting our earth and all its life. We as humans need to not be so damn greedy and start using our brains to come up with better solutions that work for all not just uncle sams pocket book.

Thanks
Miss crystal Lynn fisher

Sent from my iPhone

EMERSON Steven C * ODFW

From: Kelly <kellybysea@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2023 1:03 PM
To: ODFW Commission * ODFW

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Completed

Please, please protect the resident orcas off our coast.

Phyllis Kelly

EMERSON Steven C * ODFW

From: Jennifer Valentine <faboo1028@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2023 2:10 PM
To: ODFW Commission * ODFW
Subject: Southern Resident orcas

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ty - jennifer valentine

EMERSON Steven C * ODFW

From: Yahoo! <classylady1@comcast.net>
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2023 2:09 PM
To: ODFW Commission * ODFW
Subject: Approve petition & proceed with rulemaking to ensure orcas get protection!

While the orcas have been listed under the federal, "Endangered Species Act" since 2005, and, under the Washington State "ESA" since 2004, they have NOT, yet, received additional state-level protection in Oregon or California! For a population like the Southern Residents, whose range spans three states (and, one Canadian province), work to address threats to the whales, and their habitat, need to happen throughout their range!

If the "Fish and Wildlife Commission" advances our petition, it will start a process in Oregon to create dedicated, coordinated, work for, Southern Resident orca, recovery!

We support advancing the petition!

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TAKE PROTECTIVE ACTION,

**DIANE M. KASTEL AND FAMILY
PORTLAND, OR**

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