

Exhibit B

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Subject: Siletz-ODFW 2023 Agreement

Hi Davia -- thanks for speaking with us yesterday.

As we discussed, due to our concerns with some terms in the Siletz-ODFW 2023 Agreement, we request ODFW's forthcoming Agenda Item Summary confirm and memorialize two key points: (1) the continued ability of either party to unilaterally exit the agreement without cause; and (2) the expectation and intention to implement the Agreement in a manner that will result in negligible or only small impacts to public hunting and fishing opportunities.

I've included suggested language below for your consideration.

For your convenience, I have also included below pertinent excerpts from ODFW's April 25, 2023, Notice of Proposed Rulemaking and June 15, 2023, Agenda Item Summary, both regarding the initial approval of the Siletz-ODFW 2023 Agreement.

Thanks again for your time and consideration.

Best regards,

Brian

Suggested Language

- *State and Siletz Tribal officials have recently discussed and agree that the Siletz-ODFW 2023 Agreement is and will continue to be a voluntary agreement that either party may terminate for any reason pursuant to its terms (§ 12.c.).*
- *State and Siletz Tribal officials have also recently discussed the State's expectation and intention, as expressed in the April 25, 2023, Notice of Proposed Rulemaking concerning approval of the Siletz-ODFW 2023 Agreement, that the Agreement will be implemented in a manner that adheres to the State of Oregon's Wildlife policy (ORS 496.012) and such that the public is likely to be minimally affected; overall fishing and hunting activities by tribal members are not anticipated to increase as a result of the Agreement; businesses which provide goods and services to hunters and anglers are not expected to be impacted; and only small reductions to the general public's fishing and hunting opportunities are possible to accommodate tribal fishing and hunting activities.*

Notice of Proposed Rulemaking -- April 25, 2023

p. 2. “The fiscal and economic impact of amending rules on hunting agreement with the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians is expected to be positive in nature for Tribal members, while adhering to the State of Oregon’s Wildlife policy ORS 496.012.”

p. 3. “The public is likely to be minimally affected by the proposed rule. * * * It is not anticipated that overall fishing and hunting activities by tribal members will increase as a result of this rule, but it is possible that small reductions in opportunities for the general public to take species with limited population sizes may be created to accommodate tribal activities. Businesses that provide goods and services to hunters and anglers in the specified area are not expected to be impacted by the rule.”

Agenda Item Summary – MOA with the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians – June 16, 2023

p. 4. “As a result of this new framework, many Siletz tribal members who already participate in hunting, fishing, trapping or gathering are likely to shift to obtaining tribal licenses and tags instead of state licenses and tags, at least for activities within the geographic range of this agreement. Even if there is an increase in tribal member participation and tribal harvest as a result of this MOA, it would be a very small fraction of the hunting and fishing along the north coast of Oregon. The department expects this to result in a negligible reduction in revenue and a negligible change in the impact of hunting and fishing to existing fish and wildlife populations.”