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Dear Mr. Yates and Ms. Ruvelas,

Thank you for meeting with my staff on March 12, 2019 regarding the considerations and process for applying for an Incidental Take Permit under section 10 of the federal Endangered Species Act (ESA). The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife provides this letter to notify NOAA Fisheries, West Coast Region, Protected Resource Division of our intent to apply for an Incidental Take Permit under Section 10 of the ESA to address protected species interactions in the Oregon Dungeness crab fishery.

We look forward to working with you on this process soon. If you have any questions, please contact Caren Braby, Marine Resource Program Manager, at (541) 867-4741 or by email at Caren.E.Braby@state.or.us.

Sincerely,

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