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## **Public Correspondence**

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## **Mid-Valley Chapter Association of Northwest Steelheaders**

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### **Letter of Support for Proposed Improvements to the Buena Vista Boat Ramp and Park**

The ANWS Mid-Valley Chapter is very much in favor of the proposed increase in park size, improvements to rig-trailer parking, improvements for ADA access, and addition of modernized restrooms at the site. These changes will improve public and angler access to the park and surrounding Willamette River waters.

The ANWS Mid-Valley Chapter represents more than 150 members in the mid-Willamette Valley and has been active in improving angler access at boat ramps and slides on the Santiam, Willamette, Yaquina, Siletz, and Alsea Rivers. We would like to offer support from our volunteers for any activities that might speed this project along.

We have implemented/completed projects at the following locations for improved angler access:

- Pleasant Valley Ridge Boat Ramp Parking and ADA Fishing Platform (S. Santiam in Sweet Home)
- Waterloo Boat Ramp (S. Santiam)
- Foster Boat Ramp (S. Santiam below the dam in Sweet Home)
- Foster Trail Annual Maintenance (N of Foster Lake)
- EE Wilson Pond (aeration windmill assembly near Adair Village)
- Adair Pond Picnic Area (shade structure in Adair Village)
- River Edge Park and Boat Slide (Alsea River)
- Ernie Walter Park Boat Ramp (Alsea River)
- Blackberry Park Boat Ramp (Alsea River)
- 5-Rivers Boat Ramp (Alsea River)
- Mike Bowers Ramp (Alsea River)
- Missouri Bend Boat Slide Rebuild-currently underway (Alsea River)

In addition, we support ODFW Hatchery activities with volunteer labor and educational programs for local schools, 4-H, and Scouting organizations such as Eggs-to-Fry and fishing derbies.

Please keep us informed of activities and indeed request our help if volunteers are required or if a public “show-of-support” is necessary.

Thank you for initiating this significant improvement action as it will benefit our local anglers and the general public.

Sincerely,

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