

Exhibit G
Columbia River Fisheries Reform

Supplemental Public Correspondence

**Public correspondence received as of
March 17, 2017**

From: [Paul Cameron](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Getting it Right on Columbia River Gillnets
Date: Thursday, March 16, 2017 10:40:05 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

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I will be watching what action the Commission takes at its upcoming meeting in Corvallis.

Thank you,
Paul Cameron

Sincerely,

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From: [Brian McLachlan](#)
To: odfw.commission@state.or.us
Subject: Columbia River Fisheries Reform
Date: Thursday, March 16, 2017 1:39:01 PM

Dear Commissioners:

In the last few months, the Commission has received a substantial amount of information, testimony, and direction from ODFW, stakeholders, legislators and Governor Brown regarding implementation the Columbia River fisheries reform plan. I have personally testified three times before the Commission at recent hearings regarding this issue. I will therefore keep my comments to a minimum.

I urge the Commission to: (1) honor the commitments made in the bi-state Columbia River fisheries reform plan agreement; (2) revise the guiding principles and other provisions of your administrative rules to once again reflect a commitment to full implementation of the reform plan, including the phase out of gill nets on the mainstem and the full prioritization of the recreation fishery as provided in the reform plan as originally adopted; and (3) in order to provide for orderly and concurrent fisheries management, adopt regulations consistent with the policies recently approved by the Washington State Fish & Wildlife Commission.

Best regards,

Brian McLachlan
VP for Conservation
Association of NW Steelheaders

From: [FVSleepRobber.](#)
To: [ODFW Commission](#)
Subject: B.S
Date: Thursday, March 16, 2017 7:24:26 PM

Obviously Washington commission doesn't understand the 2012 plan it says that if the plan don't work if it fails everything is supposed to go back to the way it was before the reform plan. Is it that hard to understand. Lots of families are praying that you 4 commissioner's hold strong on your vote. You did the right thing don't let the cry babies tell you otherwise. Thank you very much.... From the Quashnick families.

ODFW Commission

From: Clair Stephan <clair@wwest.net>
Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2017 10:04 PM
To: odfw.commission@state.or.us
Subject: Columbia River Fishery Reforms -URGENT

Importance: High

Michael Finley, Chair ODFW Commission
Members: Holly Akenson, Bruce Buckmaster, Jim Bittle,
Gregory Wolley, Bob Webber, Laura Anderson

We are unable to attend Friday's Corvallis meeting, but I hope you will include this letter in your correspondence. We have read several of the letters and emails sent the Commission (now part of the public record) regarding your recent decision to implement some "adaptive management" for 2017 Columbia River fishers-both commercial & recreational. It is disheartening to read some of the negative and hateful comments directed towards gillnet fishermen as well as toward members of the ODFW Commission. However, comments from those who have researched and understand the issues, (see Robert Sudar's letter) provide valuable, factual data. On the other hand, even some of our major print/on-line news reporters help to perpetuate the erroneous idea that gillnetters use non-selective gear that captures all manner of fish, even including sea turtles and birds. News headlines referring to "dog fights" and threats to public servants if gillnetters are not totally off the Columbia as "promised, are mean-spirited and selfish.

As a family dependent on gillnetting (mostly on the Columbia River) for over 65 years, we were very gratified that a majority of Commissioners understand the complex factors involved in fishery management and harvest. We believe that as commissioners, your personal preferences are not a factor and that you are not influenced by political rhetoric. We believe you can agree that the commercial gillnet fishery is a positive factor in Oregon's economy. Gillnet fishermen have continually lost fishing opportunity over the years; in recent years we don't have "seasons", often we now have only a limited number of hours to fish, so we call them "openings" – not seasons. The Compact usually sets these hours so as not to interfere with the recreational fishers. Openings are increasingly timed to occur after the peak fish runs have passed. Conservation and rebuilding of fish runs have been the priority of Oregon & Washington's Departments of Fisheries for years. The CCA may say their main goal is conservation, but the result of their activities has instead re-kindled a notion that gillnetting is evil, and must be eliminated on the Columbia River.

There is no reason that the harvestable salmon resource should not be shared with the general public; we are licensed by the state of Oregon (and Washington) to harvest salmon for consumers. Long-held principals included within laws such as the Magnuson-Stevens Act required that fish be shared equally-without favoring one group over another. Please don't abandon your decision to allow the use of selective gillnet fishing on the Columbia River. Reasonable people don't agree with the idea that there will be no Columbia River salmon available to them in the market place. Not everyone can afford or even wants to catch a fish themselves!

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ODFW Commission

From: Everett Twilleager <etfonehom@comcast.net>
Sent: Friday, March 17, 2017 4:12 AM
To: ODFW Commissioners
Subject: Getting it Right on Columbia River Gillnets

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Please honor our nearly century old cooperation with our neighbors to the north Washington State and follow through with these bi state measures to end mainstem gillnets on the Columbia River. Thank You Everett Twilleager

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Sincerely,

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ODFW Commission

From: GORDON I JUDITH UMAKI <gordonjudiu@msn.com>
Sent: Friday, March 17, 2017 5:05 AM
To: odfw.commission@state.or.us
Subject: Honor the commitments!!!

Please honor Oregon's prior commitments to Oregon anglers and what we were promised our increase in fees would be used for.

Gordon Umaki
Lake Oswego

ODFW Commission

From: Ken Welch <lipripper@comcast.net>
Sent: Friday, March 17, 2017 5:16 AM
To: odfw.commission@state.or.us
Subject: HONOR THE COMMITMENTS

For sports fishers in OREGON please.

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ODFW Commission

From: Jeffrey Stefanick <jeff.stefanick@gmail.com>
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Subject: I'M A TAX PAYING FISHERMAN...! "HONOR THE COLUMBIA RIVER REFORM
COMMITMENTS"

HELLO,

PLEASE UNDERSTAND THE OVERWHELMING SUPPORT FOR THE REFORM PLAN ON MAKING
THE RULES CONSISTENT WITH THE STATE OF WASHINGTON'S COLUMBIA RIVER POLICY...!!

Hundreds of Northwest Sports Fisherman are willing to march on the capital in Salem to force a consistent
outcome on our Columbia River sport fishery.

I believe the only choice for a healthy Columbia River sports fishery plan has it's foundations base in a
combined partnership, and cooperation with the state of Washington and Oregon. I was raised in King County,
and lived in Eugene, Portland, Bend, and Eagle Point, Oregon. All of these locations are impacted by fisheries
programs that are in desperate need of attention.

Our Oregon & Washington fisheries could be the catalyst for the greatest economic revival the Columbia basin
has ever seen. Imagine a combined Sport fishery that could support runs of 7-9 million returning Salmon &
Steelhead. The economic explosion that would occur for small businesses, and lodging is something the region
hasn't experienced since the late 1940-1950's!

Commerce from a Columbia basin that could support Sport fisheries of only 5 million returning game fish has
been proven over the historical data to generate billions of dollars in revenue for small businesses from Astoria
to Vancouver. Please understand that this Oregon-Washington combined stewardship of the Columbia River
basin is vital to our cooperative well being, and development of small business opportunity.

Please think big, and grown this economic engine for commerce in the region. 1,000's of solid jobs could be
created by improving our habitat, and restoring the native fish runs to the Columbia basin.

Please embrace enhancement, and restoration projects for migratory game fish.

I am a willing supporter, and tax paying resident or the state of Oregon.

Thank you,

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