

Exhibit C

**Public Correspondence received as of
November 20, 2018**

To: Trevor Watson
From Scott Winkels, League of Oregon Cities
Date: 0/9/18
Re: Division 043 Rules Relating to Urban Deer Populations

I am writing to express the League of Oregon Cities' support for the proposed rule amendments to Division 043, relating to urban deer populations. The proposed rules rightly place the responsibility of ensuring that a city's code prohibits conduct that attracts deer and requires that they conduct a public process to establish that deer are indeed a nuisance prior to the Department issuing any permits to remove nuisance deer.

The League also notes that the proposed rules protect animal welfare by requiring the department to only issue permits sufficient to eliminate the public nuisance and that animals be euthanized using the most humane methods as established by the American Veterinary Medical Association.

While not every city in Oregon will utilize the authority granted in SB 373 and the subsequent rules, the proposed changes will inject a needed element of local control in addressing nuisance animals when a hazard situation exists.