

**Exhibit (C)**  
**Public Correspondence**

**Public Correspondence received as of  
September 26, 2019**

**From:** [Michelle Tate](#)  
**To:** [April H Mack](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Cost of licences  
**Date:** Wednesday, September 4, 2019 3:54:18 PM

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**From:** Bob Shottenkirki <[ywshotty@molalla.net](mailto:ywshotty@molalla.net)>  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 29, 2019 12:28 PM  
**To:** [odfw.commission@state.or.us](mailto:odfw.commission@state.or.us)  
**Subject:** Cost of licences

I want to comment on the cost of fishing in the state of Oregon. I happen to be a senior citizen (76 yrs old) and have lived in the state of Oregon for 33+ years. We were transferred here in 1986 and when you live in the Northwest I am guessing that the majority of fishing is for Salmon, Coho, and Steelhead? We are on a fixed income and because we haven't lived in Oregon for 50 years and find it a burden to spend \$77.25 just so we can fish for salmon etc. Why don't you treat transplants like us a break on the salmon tags?

I am sure this will reach deaf ears but at least I got it off my chest.

Bob Shottenkirki  
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**From:** [Michelle Tate](#)  
**To:** [April H Mack](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Info  
**Date:** Tuesday, September 17, 2019 9:54:46 AM

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**From:** gladto begone <rgullett1@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, September 16, 2019 4:52 AM  
**To:** odfw.commission@state.or.us  
**Subject:** Info

Dear Fish and Wildlife,

I realize that license fees go up and regulations happen. My father and I quit hunting in 1996. The reason is because waterfowl hunting had become a rich mans sport and hunting in general was no longer fun for us. Steel shot had tripled the cost of our shooting plus other costs like duck pond rental had made waterfowl hunting too expensive. Tighter regulation may be for the hunter but it also amounts to take aways. We constantly worried whether we were within the parameters of the law, regulations and had bought all the necessary licenses, stamps or tags. Hunting was no longer fun. So we quit hunting and never looked back. All of my friends have quit hunting. Fishing was fun but I need an attorney to interpret the rules and regulations. I certainly see your point of view, I'm emailing you in the hope that you want to know my point of view. We don't get nearly as much for our license money now. You don't need to respond to this email.

Reece Gullett

**From:** [ODFW Commission](#)  
**To:** [April H Mack](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Disabled fees  
**Date:** Thursday, September 26, 2019 11:04:55 AM

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From: kn8116@gmail.com <kn8116@gmail.com>  
Sent: Monday, February 4, 2019 3:58 PM  
To: odfw.commission@state.or.us  
Subject: Disabled fees

Fees for Oregon Licensing are now higher than the state of California. Except their wages are 40% higher than they are in Oregon. So how do you guys expect us to afford to continue to participate in hunting and fishing if you continue to raise the fees. I am on disability, and I find it very difficult to afford a fishing license that's going to cost me upwards of \$100 to go crabbing and fishing. ImI can't hunt anymore because I can't afford it even if I could find a way to physically do it. Honestly you guys raising fees the way you have is criminal for what you've done to the residence of Oregon. It is far is you stating that the participation rate is not affected by the costs of the licensing is just plain stupid. You guys aren't fooling anybody.

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [Roxann B. Borisch](#) on behalf of [ODFW WildlifeInfo](#)  
**To:** [April H Mack](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Fishing  
**Date:** Thursday, September 26, 2019 11:06:12 AM

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**From:** Michael Scott <mvscott1984@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 16, 2019 8:24 AM  
**To:** ODFW.WildlifeInfo@state.or.us  
**Subject:** Fishing

I buy a sports pack every year, all i keep seeing is increases in pricing and worse fishing and wildlife harvest. Especially in the salmon and steelhead fishing on every water way flowing to the Columbia river. Let alone the buck and elk harvest. I hate to admit it but 23 of the guys I fish and hunt with no longer hunt in this state, every year someone I know quits buying license and tags for oregon. I am on edge of joining them. The cost I spend on the sport packs for my family and camping to go hunting would about cover a trip out of state what I've seen from so many is much better hunting and fishing experience.

**From:** [ODFW Commission](#)  
**To:** [April H Mack](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Fees  
**Date:** Thursday, September 26, 2019 11:07:32 AM

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**From:** Ty Simmons <lipripper2ty@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 1, 2019 3:50 PM  
**To:** [odfw.commission@state.or.us](mailto:odfw.commission@state.or.us)  
**Subject:** Fees

This state has gone wild. It costs 91.50 for a license and tag. It wold be ok if we had fish, but we don't have many fish anymore. You need to put more hatchery fish in the rivers for the sport anglers to catch. This is ridiculous, maybe we should just fish without a license!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

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**From:** [ODFW Commission](#)  
**To:** [April H Mack](#)  
**Subject:** FW: License cost and fees  
**Date:** Thursday, September 26, 2019 11:09:30 AM

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From: Gilbert Rivera [<mailto:rivera.g70@gmail.com>]  
Sent: Thursday, February 15, 2018 12:11 PM  
To: [odfw.info@state.or.us](mailto:odfw.info@state.or.us)  
Subject: License cost and fees

Good afternoon my Gilbert Rivera . I'm reaching out to you today in regards to the skyrocketing costs of buying a license to recreate in the outdoors. I was born in Ontario or and grew up there I have lived just across the border in payette Idaho for a couple of years. I happily purchased a fishing license earlier this year , but was invited to go steelhead fishing for this weekend . This is where the rub is for me . I purchased a license for \$103.50 , but today I purchased a steelhead tag for another \$60.50 ., but if that wasn't bad enough I was charged another fee of \$11.75 "Columbia river endorsement" bringing the total to go steelhead fishing to \$175.75 again not such a big problem for the \$103.50 , but a big issue for the extra \$72.25 . I'm not sure whether the people understand this or not , but most of the people hunting and fishing are average blue collar workers . I'm not the only one who believes that we are being excessively billed. Your pricing yourself out of the market . I'm not sure whether I will bother to buy an out of state license next year or not . I do appreciate your time .

Sincerely

Gilbert Rivera  
Hunter and fisherman

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**From:** [ODFW Commission](#)  
**To:** [April H Mack](#)  
**Subject:** FW: 2019 Fishing License  
**Date:** Thursday, September 26, 2019 11:11:12 AM

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**From:** Jon Miller <millerjd357@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, March 24, 2019 5:34 PM  
**To:** [odfw.commission@state.or.us](mailto:odfw.commission@state.or.us)  
**Subject:** 2019 Fishing License

I just purchased my 2019 fishing license. What did I get for my almost 100 dollars spent? A license and harvest tag printed on 8 1/2 X 11 inch plain white printer paper. Has the moron who came up with this idea ever fished in their life?

Do they realize it can get wet and muddy out there fishing? Have they ever seen what happens to paper when it gets wet? Do they realize the ink will be unreadable? Can you imagine what it is going to look like at the end of the year after being stuffed into a pocket or fly vest over and over? I'm sure the **State Police Warden will understand. Yeah right!**

We already have to spend way too much for the privilege of fishing in our waters. Most of the trout waters in my area are catch and release only, the salmon restocking program is pitiful and the steelhead restocking is virtually non-existent.

I live and fish about 150 miles from the Columbia but still pay \$9.75 because the McKenzie and Willamette flow into it. The regulations are almost impossible to understand, probably even for a lawyer. Fishermen spend a lot of money in this state pursuing their hobby. I know I do. Is it too much to ask that it be easy to understand the regulations, not break the bank just to get a license and that we have a license that won't dissolve if it gets wet?

Fishing is supposed to be relaxing and help you get your mind off of the everyday frustrations. Every year it puts me in a foul mood for a few days when I pay the exorbitant fees and see all the new regulations. **ESPECIALLY THIS YEAR!**

Jon Miller  
Drain, Or