ODFW BIOLOGIST COMMENTS FOR HB 2153 CERTIFICATES HB 2376 NOTICES

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**Attach additional sheets if necessary

Please specify which reservoir(s)/ponds(s) the comments pertain to: Describe by name, number or Township Range Section and 1/4 1/4 if necessary. If comments refer to all reservoir listed please specify. Please provide enough information to accurately describe which reservoir the comment(s) pertain to.

Comments apply to all reservoirs in the application.

Does the reservoir/pond cause a detrimental impact to existing fishery resource. Specify which fishery resource and the evidence which supports that finding. *Please describe for each reservoir listed above. If the water right and the supporting evidence are the same please indicate.*

This reservoir negatively impacts populations of coho salmon, steelhead and resident trout in South Fork Little Butte Creek. While ODFW has not documented the presence of fish at the POD, this reservoir is above ODFW's instream water right reach on South Fork Little Butte Creek (Certificate 59822). South Fork Little Butte Creek appears on DEQ's 303 (d) list of water quality limited streams due to high summer water temperatures; these high water temperatures reduce salmonid habitat in this stream. Withdrawals of water for this reservoir contribute to existing temperature problems in South Fork Little Butte Creek and injure ODFW's instream water right on this stream.

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Which of the following conditions are required to mitigate the described injury?

The reservoir owner shall: (without ODFW approval)

- (a) install, maintain, and operate fish screening devices as required by the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife to prevent fish from entering the proposed diversion. *The required screen is to be in place and functional <u>prior to</u> any further diversion of water.
- (b) in accordance with ORS 498.268 and ORS 509.605, install, maintain, and operate by-pass devices as required by the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife that will provide adequate upstream and downstream passage for fish.
- (a & b) install, maintain, and operate fish screening and by-pass devices as required by the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife to prevent fish from entering the proposed diversion. *The required screen is to be in place and functional <u>prior to</u> any further diversion of water.

The reservoir owner shall: (with ODFW approval)

- (a) install, maintain, and operate fish screening device as required by the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife to prevent fish from entering the proposed diversion. *The required screen is to be in place, functional and approved by an ODFW representative prior to any further diversion of water.
- (b) in accordance with ORS 498.268 and ORS 509.605, install, maintain, and operate by-pass devices as required by the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife that will provide adequate upstream and downstream passage for fish. *The required by-pass device is to be in place, functional and approved by an ODFW representative <u>prior to</u> any further diversion of water.
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The reservoir owner shall by-pass flows during months when Instream Water Rights are not being met.

Other: (Please specify below)

Because the presence of fish at the POD is unknown, ODFW will not require the applicant to provide fish screens or fish passage. However, to prevent further degredation of stream temperature problems on South Fork Little Butte Creek, and to avoid injury to ODFW's instream water right for that stream, the reservoir owner should be required to by-pass flows from April 1 through October 31.