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Oregon Department of State Lands  
Attn: South Redmond Tract Land Use and Management Plan Comments  
775 Summer St. NE Ste. 100  
Salem OR 97301-1279

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The Deschutes County Board of Commissioners is submitting this letter in response to your request for comments on the South Redmond Tract Land Use and Management Plan.

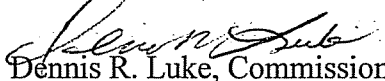
The Deschutes County Fair and Expo Center is an asset to the region and, with Juniper Golf Course, anchors the South Redmond Tract. Deschutes County hopes to acquire from DSL up to 320 acres immediately south of the Fair and Expo Center, and not less than the 142 acres shown in Concept D. Ownership of that land by the county would assure a non-residential buffer south of the fairgrounds. We believe such a buffer should be an essential element in any future uses of the property.

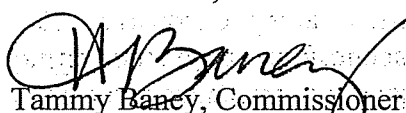
We support the alignment of the 19<sup>th</sup> Street Extension that is west of the tract the county hopes to acquire; generally running along the boundary between Juniper Golf Course and the DSL tract. Finally, we support maximizing active and passive recreational uses in the South Redmond Tract. Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this important project.

Sincerely,

DESCHUTES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

  
Michael M. Daly, Chair

  
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Tammy Baney, Commissioner