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**RE: Proposed changes to permitted recreational activities on Minto Island, Salem
Boise Cascade – Minto Island, ECSI #355**

Dear Hannah Dondy-Kaplan,

The Oregon Department of Environmental Quality was contacted by Patricia Farrell from the City of Salem regarding proposed changes to permitted recreational activities on the Minto Island Conservation Area. DEQ was forwarded the changes requested by the City of Salem, as well as your email requesting that DEQ provide a record of concurrence with the proposed changes in light of the Conservation Easement and the Consent Judgement associated with this Protected Property.

DEQ staff reviewed the information provided by the City, the Deed of Conservation Easement, the Consent Judgement and the Easement and Equitable Servitudes. DEQ has determined that the proposed activities will not materially harm or interfere with the conservation values of the Protected Property as the events will only be allowed on the previously approved paved pathway, required signage is in place, and measures will be taken to ensure that event organizers and participants are aware of the requirement to stay on the paved pathway.

DEQ concurs that the proposed changes to the size and frequency of recreational events are consistent with the Conservation Easement, the Consent Judgement and the Easement and Equitable Servitudes for the Protected Property.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Susan Turnblom at 541-687-7464 or by email at susan.turnblom@deq.oregon.gov.

Sincerely,

Michael E. Kucinski, Manager
Western Region Cleanup and Emergency Response

cc: ECSI #355 File