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Bureau of Land Management
Prineville District Office
3050 NE 3rd Street
Prineville, OR 97754

Attn: Lisa M. Clark, Deschutes Field Office Manager, via email: blm_or_pr_lands@blm.gov

RE: Support for City of Redmond Wetlands Complex

Dear Ms. Clark,

The Deschutes County Board of County Commissioners is pleased to submit input in support of the City of Redmond's acquisition of a 541.5 acre parcel of public land to accommodate expanding the City's wastewater treatment facility and associated wetland treatment complex. The treatment facility and associated wetlands complex will provide an environmentally sound and sophisticated solution to wastewater treatment and disposal for the City of Redmond as well as the nearby unincorporated community of Terrebonne.

We recognize the City's proposal will reduce a portion of area dedicated to OHV and other public use, however the City's proposed wetland complex will significantly expand upon the quality of access, trail development, and other recreational, cultural and wildlife amenities that will enhance and improve upon the public use of this land. We appreciate the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) considering creating additional miles of motorized trails nearby to compensate for any losses and developing additional non-motorized trails.

Overall, this wastewater treatment facility and wetlands complex will provide significant benefits to our urban and rural communities, businesses, residents and visitors.

Yours truly,

Patti Adair, Chair

Anthony DeBone, Vice-Chair

Phil Chang, Commissioner