

Exhibit F

**Public Correspondence Received as of
July 29, 2025**

From: Nancy Chocker
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Affiliation or Type of Stakeholder General Public
Sent on: Saturday, July 26, 2025 9:27:01 AM
Subject: 2025 Regulations for Wild Coho Salmon in Oregon Coastal Streams
Comment:

Regarding the proposal of South Umpqua no coho fishing for fall 2025. We have targeted the Winchester Bay fishery for 15 straight years now (out of state...Idaho). We fish from the shore at Half Moon Bay and Osprey Point (Winchester Point). There have been slow years and great years....last year, 2024 was a good one for wild and clipped. We rent a home, eat in restaurants, shop in stores, buy a yearly license from local vendors and support the community of Reedsport and Winchester Bay. It is a economy in this little community that survives on this season and you are proposing to take it away because of what a biologist is studying in the South Umpqua? Yes, we could go elsewhere to fish, but what about the rents already paid and used by the vacation rental people and the rest of the tiny towns that need us as tourists to survive? We put a small dent in the fish population compared to the seals that feed on them when they come into the bay. There are hundreds of people that depend on your decision...make it good.

From: Julee Royce
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Sent on: Tuesday, July 29, 2025 3:13:43 PM
Subject: 2025 Regulations for Wild Coho Salmon in Oregon Coastal Streams
Comment:

Requesting that the first 2 coho fish caught outside (ocean/marine) be kept no matter if they are wild or hatchery. Two weekends in a row my husband, and I with another person in our boat caught 20-26 coho each day to get to our limit (2) hatchery per person. This was outside Charleston (Coos Bay) & Winston (Reedsport). If allowed to keep the first two caught that would leave many more wild/hatchery in the system. Talking with other guides, fisherman they are also experiencing the same thing. One guide boat with 6 fisherman caught 62 fish to reach their limit of 24. We brought about 72 coho to our boat the last two weeks. The other boats we spoke with having 4 people fishing also brought in 40-60 coho to catch a limit of 8 fish. ODFW has advised in the past that the mortality release rate of those released coho is about 25%. The mortality release rate could be dropped significantly if we were to be allowed to keep the first 2 caught in the ocean, if they are wild or hatchery. (Thank you)