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Ms. Michelle Siebal State Water Resources Control Board Division of Water Rights – Water Quality Certification Program P.O. Box 2000 Sacramento, CA 95812-2000

Regarding: DEIR Klamath Dam Removal

Thank you for the opportunity to express our full support for the alternative that will removal all four dams on the Klamath River. The benefits to the vitality of our fishery and local economy cannot be overstated:

The removal would “...advance the long-term restoration of natural fish populations in the Klamath Basin, including having a significant beneficial effect on commercial fisheries and associated significant beneficial economic impact on the coastal commercial fishing industry.” (Environmental Impact Report)

The EIR report brings more good news for the Crescent City Harbor. Although dam removal will unlock some sediment trapped in the reservoirs, Crescent City Harbor should not be affected, with the DEIR stating:

“...it is expected that the amount of sediment released during the year of drawdown and dam removal would be similar to that transported by the Klamath River to the Pacific Ocean in a year with average flow, much less than that transported by the Klamath

River in a wet year....”

We appreciate all the hardwork and persistence by our community to make this dream come true.

Thank you,

Friends of Del Norte board, on behalf of our membership.

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The Draft EIR, and additional information regarding the State Water Board’s process, including the previously released draft water quality certification and frequently asked questions about the Project, are available on the Project webpage, which is located online at: [https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/water\\_issues/programs/water\\_quality\\_cert/lower\\_klamath\\_fer\\_c14803.shtml](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/water_issues/programs/water_quality_cert/lower_klamath_fer_c14803.shtml).