

July 12, 2022

Congressman Peter DeFazio  
405 East 8th Ave., #2030  
Eugene, OR 97401

*Sent via email to: KP.Pratt@mail.house.gov*

**Re: Act now to stop the extinction of Snake River salmon.**

Dear Representative DeFazio,

We are Oregon small businesses, including fishers, farmers, food distributors, wholesale and retail market owners, brewers, restaurant owners, healers, artists, real estate professionals, and many others. In short, we are businesses in Oregon that oppose the extinction of Snake River salmon. For Oregonians, salmon is more than a fish. More than a food, a product, or a brand, it is a critical part of our ecosystem and is deeply connected to our sense of place and our cultural identity.

But salmon in the Columbia River basin are struggling. Urgent work is needed to prevent extinction and restore abundance in a way that brings everyone—including Oregon businesses—forward together. We recognize and appreciate your efforts to date to protect salmon in the Pacific Northwest, and we ask for your bold leadership at this moment of great urgency and opportunity.

We strongly support the ongoing collaboration between Tribes, stakeholders, state and federal policymakers, and the Biden Administration to remove the Lower Snake River dams and re-invest in our communities and critical infrastructure. With today's technology, we can replace the services that the Snake River dams provide and accomplish the greatest salmon restoration project in our nation's history. We need your committed leadership and engagement to make the most of this political moment.

Snake River salmon visit Oregon twice in their lives, as they migrate to and from the ocean. As a keystone species, salmon help define our ecosystem. So much so that nutrients from salmon can be found in the trees. Over 135 species depend on salmon, including the thousands of people who fish for them each year. Losing these fish would directly affect Oregon businesses, families, Tribes, and our shared environment. Therefore, you should begin treating Snake River dam removal as a crucial "Oregon" issue.

Salmon do not have a choice. We do. This moment calls for urgent action. In 2022, we ask you to help deliver legislation to remove Lower Snake River dams, recover salmon, provide

justice to Tribes, and invest in critical infrastructure. Thank you for considering our concerns and interests. Please contact us if you have any questions or if we can assist in any way.

Signed:

**Climate Change Recovery**  
**Polarity Center of Salem**  
**Meadow Goldman Yoga Therapy and Massage LLC**  
**VistaBarn**  
**Spitaleri Handlin Bookkeeping and Tax Service Inc**  
**Urban Inspection, LLC**  
**Roots Realty**  
**Oregon Photo Adventure**  
**Keel Energy**  
**Easy Living LLC**  
**Melanie McCloskey Coaching**  
**Craft o graph**  
**WyEast Expeditions**  
**Janet Kirkland, PhD, PC; Psychology Practice**  
**Woodlawn Coffee and Pastry**  
**Landstar**  
**Teton NewMedia Inc.**  
**Timbercrest LLC**  
**A-Z Studios LLC**  
**LisaECohn.com**  
**Notable Academy**  
**Pine Dune Pottery**  
**Joyce Follingstad, Ph.D.**  
**Lovely Harvest**  
**Morgaine Faye**  
**Dekum Street Theater**  
**Ex Novo Brewing Co.**  
**PT Lawn Seed**  
**Joan Horton, CPA**  
**Christine Bourdette Studio, LLC**  
**JC Customs**  
**Bluebug Arts**  
**Keath A Silva**  
**Home Team Realty**  
**Zócalo Wellness**

**SAS Holdings, LLC**  
**Eurofaux**  
**Lorena Sprager and Associates, LLC**  
**Laughing Mountain, LLC**  
**Give&Take Resale**  
**Kasama Farm**  
**Illumination Rock Integrative Medicine**  
**Banner Non-profits, LLC**  
**Teresa Keane Consulting**  
**Gabriel's Bakery**  
**The Pet Fund**  
**Caspian Properties LLC**  
**Hood River Pedicab, EV Taxi & Delivery**  
**Birdsmouth Design-Build**  
**Plazm Media, Inc.**  
**Dancing Redband Publications**  
**Rich Earth Organic Skin Care Studio**  
**7 Waters Sovereign Foods LLC**  
**Alan De Anda GIS Analyst**  
**Your Personal Ceremony**  
**Blue Ox Tattoo**  
**Scout Bee Farm**  
**City Bookkeeper, Accounting**  
**The Fossil Cartel**  
**Katy Weaver Photography**  
**Albina City Nuts - Manufacturing**  
**Vertical Grain Consulting**  
**Seed Network of Oregon**  
**Evergreen Sustainability LLC**  
**Spire Technologies, Inc.**  
**Clinton Street Theater**  
**Wayward & Wild**  
**Aesthete Tea**  
**Grapevine Outdoor**