

May 15, 2019

To: Coos County Planning Department Coos County Courthouse Annex, Coquille, Oregon 97423

Subject: CASE NUMBER FP 4-19 & CBE 5-19: CONSOLIDATED APPLICATION TO AUTHORIZE TEMPORARY DREDGE TRANSPORT PIPELINE, TEMPORARY DREDGE OFFLOADING FACILITY, AND PERMANENT BRIDGE AND SUPPORT STRUCTURES ASSOCIATED WITH THE DISPOSAL OF DREDGE MATERIALS ON-SITE

The Coos Bay Chapter of the Surfrider Foundation works within the greater Coos County area focusing on a variety of programs, stewardship activities, campaigns and fun events – all for the love of local ocean, waves and beaches. The chapter serves Coos County with the longest running beach water quality monitoring program (Blue Water Task Force) in the state of Oregon.

We urge you to not approve this application as the action is premature given that the applicant has yet to receive determination of approval by any State or Federal regulatory agency. In fact, the State Division of State Lands, and State Department of Environmental Quality have both denied the applicants permit at this date.

The applicant states that the several "temporary" hard structures (dredge line, bridge, booster pumps etc) will be placed within the Coos Bay Estuary Management Plan zones 52-NA, 51-CA, 50-NA, 48-CA, and 48-CS. The applicant states in Section III of their permit, that essentially little or no adverse affects will be incurred due to this particular segment of the Jordan Cove, Pacific Gas Connector Pipeline project. We feel that the adverse impacts of the entire JC/PGCP project must be taken into consideration for any Public permit review process. The cumulative impacts by all the interconnected and interrelated aspects of the entire project must be considered in the County permit process.

Sincerely,



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