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Stanley Speaks, Northwest Regional Director
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Regarding: Review comments concerning the Public Review Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Cascade Locks Resort and Casino.

Dear Mr. Speaks:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Public Review Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Cascade Locks Resort and Casino.

As a cooperating agency, ODOT has been working with your staff over the past several months to better understand potential impacts resulting from the actions proposed, and how they will be addressed. Many issues already have been addressed through this ongoing process.

We concur with comments provided by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) related to the design of the proposed new interchange on I-84. We also have asked for additional information about specific Transportation Demand Management (TDM) measures that will be utilized to minimize impacts to I-84 during peak hours. Both issues will need to be addressed, per state and federal requirements, prior to the Record of Decision (ROD).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jason Tell".

Jason Tell
Region 1 Manager

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