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To whom it may concern:

The Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon (CTWSRO) is writing this letter to document our support and willingness to collaborate in partnership with the Yamhill Partners for Land and Water (YPLW). *“Conserving and enhancing the lands & waters of Yamhill County for our long-term economic & environmental vitality and enjoyment,”* is a shared mission with CTWSRO.

With the newly acquired Red Hills Conservation Area now under CTWSRO ownership, collaboration and comparable management with YPLW on this and other conservation projects in Yamhill County is essential for long-term goals to be met by both entities.

CTWSRO goals in the Willamette Basin include:

- Acquiring intact wildlife habitats for CTWSRO ownership that are representative of Willamette Basin habitats;
- Forming collaborative partnerships with other agencies, NGOs and tribes to ensure long-term conservation goals/management succeed;
- Assisting partners with acquisition, management, funding opportunities and support to ensure their conservation goals/management succeed;
- Educating the public, potential partners and other conservation organizations about CTWSRO and our conservation efforts in the Willamette Basin.

CTWSRO looks forward to a productive partnership with YPLW and appreciate their willingness to include us in this program. CTWSRO pledges a dedicated effort to assist YPLW with their missions and goals for Yamhill County.

If there are any further questions or concerns, please contact Kelly Warren, CTWSRO Willamette Wildlife Mitigation Coordinator, at 541-460-1651 or [kelly.warren@ctwsbnr.org](mailto:kelly.warren@ctwsbnr.org).

Sincerely,



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