

Declaration of Cooperation for The Nature Conservancy

to

The Yamhill Partners for Land and Water

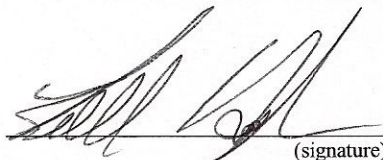
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The mission of The Nature Conservancy is to preserve the plants, animals and natural communities that represent life on Earth by protecting the land and water they need to survive. The Conservancy works to accomplish this mission through collaborative, science based planning and conservation action. The Nature Conservancy also recognizes that the best conservation work meets the needs of both people and nature, and applauds landowners who take voluntary action to provide benefits to the fish and wildlife habitat and water quality that helps keep Oregon a great place to live. Toward that end we will:

- Regularly attend partnership meetings and to the extent possible, bring our projects to the group during the planning stage;
- Provide technical assistance as time and resources allow, including: habitat assessment, GIS, providing regional ecological context and developing restoration strategies;
- Assist as possible with conservation agreements between landowners and agencies, the government or non-profit organizations;
- Integrate management of our land in the area to the planning process to the maximum extent possible;
- Offer education support through tours at Nature Conservancy sites where oak restoration is occurring;
- Help identify sources of funding or other support for projects.

The Nature Conservancy, a District of Columbia non-profit corporation

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