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The Honorable Senator Jackie Dingfelder, Chair The Honorable Senator Alan Olsen, Vice-Chair Senate Committee on Environment and Natural Resources 900 Court Street NE H-178 State Capitol Salem, OR 97301-4048

Dear Chair Dingfelder and members of the committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide a statement to the Senate Committee on Environment and Natural Resources. As you are aware, the Aviation Board has engaged in rulemaking to try to balance the interests of all of the stakeholders, both aviation and other lake users, to try to find a reasonable compromise that makes Waldo Lake available to the maximum extent possible. This is to inform you that, out of respect for the legislative process, the Board of Aviation has suspended Administrative Rule Making on Seaplanes landing at Waldo Lake in deference to the Legislature's consideration of Senate Bill 602.

We would be happy to provide you and the Committee with any relevant technical information regarding seaplane operations on Oregon waterways as the Committee deliberates on this matter.

With Warmest Regards,

Mark Gardiner

Chair, Oregon Board of Aviation