

Hello there, I am writing this today in the hopes that my fishing license fees will not be increased. Raising fees may seem like the easy way to support the agencies managing our precious natural resources and I also can imagine the timing may seem appropriate given the recent large returns of fall salmon. However, I know for a fact many fishermen cannot afford another increase in licensing. I think it is too soon to increase the licensing fee for fishing and hunting. I fear that by doing so, less people will purchase licenses, especially those who travel to Oregon from out of state. If fewer people purchase licenses due to the increased fees, I don't think the state will see an overall increase in revenue rather more public duress, less participation and less funding for the future. There has to be another way.

Sincerely,

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