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Attn: Oregon Department of State Lands,

The Oregon Division of the Izaak Walton League of America (IWLA) thanks you for the opportunity to comment on the Stockade Block Management Plan.

foremost, the IWLA encourages the Department of State Lands (DSL) to practice good stewardship in the management of publicly owned lands and wildlife. To achieve this stewardship by using the best available science and scientific principles by:

1. Requiring good animal grazing practices that protect riparian corridors, promotes good health for native grasses, forbs and other plant species.
2. Protecting the landscape for sensitive species such as sage grouse.
3. Prohibiting the presence of domestic sheep and goats at all times in order to isolate and protect resident bighorn sheep from diseases and parasites carried by the domestic animals.
4. Permitting public access and use of all lands except for special concerns for security, safety and abuse such as littering and destruction caused by the off road use of motor vehicles.
5. Permit the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife to continue scientifically based wildlife management of the publicly owned wildlife.

Members of the IWLA feel utilizing the above management practices for the area's many resources will significantly contribute to the Department of State Lands accomplishing its "Public Trust Obligations" for the Stockade Block Lands

Thank you for your time.
Respectfully,
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