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TO : Commissioners  
FROM : Melissa Enright, General Services  
DATE : April 3, 2025  
RE : Dibblee Beach DSL Lease Renewal

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Commissioners,

Dibblee Beach is a popular fishing and day-use area for the Columbia County community, along with visitors from all over the state of Oregon, and Washington. Before the County assumed management, the beach was plagued by crime, drug activity, and dumping station, making it inaccessible to the community.

The current 10-year lease with the Department of State Lands (DSL) expires on June 30, 2025. Most grant programs require a minimum 25-year lease, which is why we seek a longer-term agreement. We propose renewing the lease for 30 years to secure funding for property improvements, including adding water, electricity, and restrooms. Our DSL contact has expressed support for this extension, and we are ready to move forward with the process. The annual lease fee is \$500 which is the same as the current lease fee.

Thank you.

Melissa Enright  
General Services