Public Health Division

Drinking Water Services

Tina Kotek, Governor

August 4, 2025

Resident/Property Owner Name Address City, State, Zip code

RE: Inadequate water treatment at the Upper Coos River public water system, ID# 01340

Dear (Resident/Property Owner Name),

You are receiving this letter because records indicate your property may be served by the Upper Coos River public water system (hereinafter "Water System"), which supplies drinking water from a surface water source to residences along and near Solari Road and Sunshine Lane, east of Coos Bay, Oregon. The Water System does not provide adequate treatment to protect users against illness caused by disease causing organisms in the water.

The Oregon Health Authority, Public Health Division, Center for Health Protection, Drinking Water Services (DWS) has investigated the operation of the Water System and found that no single individual or organization owns or operates the Water System.

As residents supplied with drinking water by a public water system, you and other water users may, as a community, be considered a public water supplier as defined in Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 448.115(12) and Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 333-061-0020. As a water supplier, you would have specific responsibilities that are identified in OAR 333-061-0025.

Upper Coos River Water Association

- 1. Please respond to this letter by sending an email to Sue Yellowtail at suzanne.yellowtail2@oha.oregon.gov, within 30 days of the date of this letter affirming whether or not:
 - A. Your property or residence uses water from the Water System for human consumption,
 - B. Your property or residence uses water from the Water System for irrigation, or
 - C. Your property or residence uses a groundwater well or another source of water that is piped into your home for human consumption or other domestic purposes. If so, please identify the source of your piped drinking water.

If you do not reply to this letter, you may be considered one of the active owners and operators of the Water System, responsible as a water supplier for maintaining the Water System and ensuring compliance with the applicable drinking water regulations.

Please contact Sue Yellowtail at <u>suzanne.yellowtail2@oha.oregon.gov</u> or (541) 321-5265, if you have any questions about this letter or the Upper Coos River public water system.

Thank you for your immediate attention to this matter.

Respectfully,

Brad K. Daniels

Compliance Specialist

Oregon Health Authority, Drinking Water Services

cc: Kari Salis, Oregon Health Authority, Drinking Water Services Sue Yellowtail, Oregon Health Authority, Drinking Water Services