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MEMORANDUM

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SUBJECT: **Addendum to Exhibit T**
PROJECT: Golden Hills Wind Farm
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Golden Hills Wind Farm LLC (Applicant) proposes to revise turbine corridors and turbine types for the Golden Hills Wind Farm. This memo summarizes changes in potential impacts to important recreational facilities and opportunities identified in the analysis area defined in Exhibit T. DEA used the same means and methods to determine potential impacts to important recreational facilities and opportunities as used in the application.

Direct or Indirect Loss of Opportunity

The changes proposed in the Addendum would not occur within the boundaries of, nor impede access to any of the important recreational facilities or opportunities identified in the analysis area. Therefore, the proposed changes would not affect the direct or indirect loss of an important recreational facility or opportunity.

Noise Resulting from Facility Construction or Operation

The noise analysis for the application indicated the proposed project may be audible from the Journey Through Time Scenic Byway, Oregon National Historic Trail, and DeMoss Springs Memorial Park. The proposed changes would not likely affect the impacts to the byway or trail, which were determined to be negligible, if any, in the application.

The proposed changes may affect noise impacts at DeMoss Springs Memorial Park. The noise analysis conducted for the application indicates the maximum noise level at the park would be approximately 48 dBA, just below the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (ODEQ) threshold of 50 dBA. The noise analysis for the proposed changes indicates a maximum noise level at the park would be slightly lower at approximately 47 dBA, still within the ODEQ threshold. Therefore, noise impacts to DeMoss Springs Memorial Park would be slightly less, but practically negligible.

Increased Traffic Resulting from Facility Construction or Operation

The proposed changes would not affect traffic resulting from facility construction or operation because its overall size and construction routes would not change. Therefore, there would be no changes in traffic impacts.

Visual Impacts of Facility Structures or Plumes

A visibility analysis was conducted and discussed in more detail in a memorandum specific to Exhibit R. In general, though, the proposed project per the addendum would be slightly less visible only in the immediate vicinity of the easternmost turbine string in areas with minimal accessibility (canyon bottoms). The relative change in visibility from important recreational facilities and opportunities is negligible.

Conclusion

Given these considerations, the design, construction, operation, and retirement of the proposed facility per the addendum would not significantly affect important recreational facilities and opportunities in the analysis area.