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RE: FE Docket No. 12-32-LNG (Jordan Cove)

Dear U.S. Department of Energy,

Thank you for accepting these comments on behalf of Rogue Riverkeeper and the Klamath-Siskiyou Wildlands Center (KS Wild).

KS Wild is a non-profit public interest conservation organization with approximately 3,000 members. Founded in 1997, KS Wild is an advocate for the forests, wildlife and waters of the Rogue and Klamath River basins of southwest Oregon and northwest California. We work to protect and restore the extraordinary biological diversity of the Klamath-Siskiyou region.

Rogue Riverkeeper is a program of KS Wild with a specific mission to protect and restore water quality and fish populations in the Rogue Basin and adjacent coastal watersheds.

Our membership includes lawyers, scientists, teachers, students, families, and citizens who support our mission. Members, staff, and board members of KS Wild live and work in the area that is the subject of the Jordan Cove/Pacific Connector LNG proposal.

Members, staff, and board members of KS Wild regularly use and enjoy the Rogue River-Siskiyou, Umpqua and Fremont-Winema National Forests, Medford, Roseburg and Coos Bay BLM Districts, and the Rogue River and its tributaries for hiking, camping, hunting, fishing, nature study, scientific study, photography, swimming and general recreational and aesthetic purposes. KS Wild and our members have been actively involved in oversight of public resource management in these areas.

We have been participating in the Jordan Cove/Pacific Connector LNG proposal since 2005.

In addition, some KS Wild members own private property along the proposed Pacific Connector pipeline route.
We submit these comments to join in Sierra Club’s comments and motion to intervene and protest.¹

The members of KS Wild and Rogue Riverkeeper have vital economic, aesthetic, spiritual, personal, and professional interests in this project and should therefore be granted intervener status.

I look forward to your response.

Thank you.

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