

## **Tilly Jane A-Frame Letter of Support From Oregon Wild**

To Whom it May Concern:

I am writing on behalf of Oregon Wild in recognition of our support of the proposed rehabilitation project plans for the Tilly Jane A-Frame submitted by the Oregon Nordic club. The cabin is unique in that it is located on the upper flanks of Mount Hood, allows for direct access to areas above tree line, hiking/skiing trails, and it's available for rental reservations by the general public. The cabin can accommodate up to 20 people per night and serves as a stop in for others out on day hikes. The cabin is popular with and has been used by many Oregon Wild members.

Without this access point the public, including our members and supporters, would be forced to snow camp during the winter months which isn't a viable option for most due to winter storms and below freezing temperatures. So, without the A-Frame, staying overnight on the NE side of the mountain isn't feasible for the general public.

It's pretty amazing to think that the A-Frame has served as a shelter for generations of Oregonians before us and we would like to see it be around for the generations that follow.

Finally, having a public facility like the Tilly Jane A-Frame also serves the surrounding community and beyond by bringing in tourism dollars. Cabin patrons spend money outfitting themselves, purchasing food and beverages, and filling their gas tanks within Parkdale, Hood River and Portland.

The Tilly Jane A-Frame is an Oregon landmark that deserves to be maintained. We support the Oregon Nordic Club's efforts to maintain and rehab needed for the A-Frame.

Thank You;

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