

AUG 28 2013

The Honorable John Kitzhaber  
Governor of Oregon  
State Capitol, Room 160  
State Court St. N.  
Salem, Oregon 97301

Dear Governor Kitzhaber:

The Employment and Training Administration (ETA) is pleased to respond to your requests for waivers of statutory and regulatory requirements under the Workforce Investment Act (WIA). This action is taken under the Secretary's authority to waive certain requirements of WIA Title I, Subtitles B and E, and sections 8-10 of the Wagner-Peyser Act. The original requests were written in the format identified in WIA Section 189(i)(4)(B) and 20 CFR 661.420(c), and meet the standard for approval at 20 CFR 661.420(e). The following is the disposition of the State's waiver extension requests (copy enclosed).

Waiver of WIA Section 129(b)(2)(C) and 20 CFR 665.200(h) to exempt the State from the requirement to provide additional assistance to local areas with high concentration of eligible youth.

The State has requested an extension of the requirement to provide additional assistance to local areas that have a high concentration of eligible youth. The State is granted this waiver through June 30, 2014.

Waiver of WIA Section 134(a)(2)(B)(iii) and 20 CFR 665.200(e) to exempt a State from the requirement to provide local workforce investment area incentive grants.

The State has requested an extension of the requirement to provide local workforce investment areas incentive grants to reward regional cooperation, local coordination of activities, and exemplary performance. The State is granted an extension of this waiver through June 30, 2014.

The approved waivers are incorporated by reference into the State's WIA Grant Agreement, as provided for under paragraph 3 of the executed Agreement, and this constitutes a modification of the State Plan. A copy of this letter should be filed with the State's WIA Grant Agreement and the approved State Plan. In addition, as required by TEGL No. 29-11, the State should address the impact these waivers have had on the State's performance in the WIA annual performance report, due on October 1 of each year.

We look forward to continuing our partnership with you and achieving better work force outcomes. If you have any questions related to the issues discussed above, please contact Marian Esver, the Federal Project Officer for Oregon, at (415) 625-7948 or [Esver.Marian@dol.gov](mailto:Esver.Marian@dol.gov).

Sincerely,



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Acting Assistant Secretary

Enclosure

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