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individuals using the data management system, not to exceed the actual costs for use of the data management system." Ultimately, the licensing fee and accompanying licensing agreement associated with CNDDDB subscription contributes to database function and maintenance and helps maintain the overall integrity of the database as a subscription product.

The Department supports the concept of using the Timber Regulations and Forest Restoration Fund (also known as the AB 1492 Fund), or another funding source, to financially support small timberland owners to access CNDDDB within the Department's established subscription framework. The Department would like to work with CAL FIRE and the Board to review existing processes and evaluate ideas to support small timberland owners. We look forward to continued discussions on these topics. If you have questions about this letter or would like further information, please contact me at (916) 216-1608 or Carie.Battistone@wildlife.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Carie Battistone". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Carie" and last name "Battistone" clearly legible.

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