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Liz:

At a recent Northern Athletic League meeting, the topic of football officiating was discussed. It has become a concern of our league to have consistency in our officiating for football games. For most of our games, our member schools use the Redding Officials Association. For games in Yreka, they use the Siskiyou Officials Association. Another concern is that due to a lack of numbers of officials in the Siskiyou Officials Association, they oftentimes pull officials out of Oregon to fill in for those games. It has become such an issue that Yreka High School is either losing schools that will compete with them, or in another case, the threat of not playing in Yreka any longer.

It is the feeling of the league that in the name of consistency, we use the Redding Officials Association. Then, for Yreka, for their other two or three non-league games, they should use the Redding Officials Association as well. The negative to this scenario is the possible increase in mileage costs to all member schools. The benefits will be more consistent officiating for our student-athletes. It was agreed upon by all member schools that there are concerns about the quality and consistency of football officiating in Yreka.

Please advise the Northern Athletic League of what process to take to make this happen. Another possible alternative is to merge the Redding Officials Association with the Siskiyou Officials Association for football. This would increase the membership of the Redding Officials Association as well as provide consistent officiating.

Thank you for taking your time to consider this proposal. We look forward to hearing what we need to do.

Respectfully,

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