HB 2841

Dear Representative,

We have been in litigation for the last 5 or 6 years trying to get standing with the Agency's principally DEQ in the rule making on dredging permits and other agency rulings. We have watched with dismay as DEQ has bent over backwards to have the NEDC an environmentalist organization write the rules for dredging permits. Their newest permit includes language from the California shut down of dredging. Along with other language in the new dredge permits that are so stringent dredgers can't comply with them.

This is why we need the House support for this important legislation. It will give miners standing with the State Agency's. Please help us, an important segment of the Oregon minerals industry that produces so much revenue for Oregon.

I strongly urge you to support HB 2841, Thank You.

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