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Dear Chair Dembrow and Co-Chair Olsen and members of the Senate Committee on the Environment:

My name is David Moskowitz, Executive Director of The Conservation Angler. Our organization was part of a coalition of environmental and conservation organizations who testified in opposition to HB 3249 before the House Ag Committee.

I am writing to express my dismay that your committee is holding a hearing with only proponents of the bill invited to testify.

The entire process of crafting this proposal was conducted without important voices who represent thousands of Oregonians who are concerned about the water quality problems, water quantity and streamflow problems and habitat degradation that arise directly from agricultural practices that are largely unregulated in Oregon.

This bill can be compared to efforts to protect the buggy whip industry, the coal industry, or any number of other industries who face unstoppable change based on factors that are beyond control of legislative bodies. However, here the agricultural sector simply does not deserve yet another subsidy that has no accountability written into the bill. Simply maintaining agricultural lands in agriculture does not protect water quality, water quantity or habitat complexity - especially without standards.

The process developing this bill and its handling within the legislature is a sham and a shame.

Please send the bill proponents back to the drawing board so that meaningful work can be accomplished that protects the environment and family farms. As written, this bill may not accomplish either.

Sincerely,

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On Tue, Jun 6, 2017 at 7:53 AM, Jim Myron <myrons@canby.com> wrote:

Senators Dembrow & Olsen:

I am looking forward to tomorrow's discussion about "Oregon's Agricultural Legacy" in your committee. I am hopeful that there will be a discussion of the entire legacy of agricultural activity in Oregon and not just a litany of the positive benefits that agriculture has brought to the state.

A legacy of lost wildlife habitat, reduced streamflows and polluted streams and diminished air quality are some of the darker sides of agriculture's legacy in Oregon. It would be very helpful if the agricultural community and its allies would acknowledge these problems and propose some positive solutions for resolving them.

As we testified in April, the organizations that I represent do not believe that HB 3249 proposes a positive solution. But we would be happy to participate in future discussions about how certain changes to Oregon's Agriculture Water Quality Management Plan (SB1010) might bring about the necessary change.

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