Shaun Pigott....President of the Deschutes Redbands Chapter of TU. Our Chapter has 577 members who have a passion for our fisheries and natural resources in our Deschutes Basin.

- I support HB 2020 taking actions to both reduce our greenhouse gas emissions and to proactively address the harmful effects of climate change on Oregon's fish and wildlife.
- I would like to thank the Committee for including language in HB 2020's purpose statement that recognizes that climate change is, and will continue to impact fish, wildlife, and the habitats they depend on. The language in HB 2020 recognizes that key actions such as removing a fish barrier, protecting coldwater habitat on a stream or reconnecting a wildlife corridor are critical for helping fish and wildlife adapt to changing climate conditions.
- While I am encouraged that HB 2020 recognizes that fish and wildlife resiliency actions are important, I request the dedication of a fixed percentage of auction revenues toward these actions. The lack of a dedicated, ongoing funding source for resiliency actions for natural resources and for relevant resource agency programs has weakened Oregon's ability to meaningfully respond to these climate change challenges. The consequences for our fish and wildlife resources and the economy they support will be dire if this is not remedied.

I appreciate your time and thanks for coming to Central Oregon.