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I support passage of HB 4069 for the following reasons. Water use measurement and reporting is the cornerstone of smart water management. It is a basic, common-sense tool that is necessary to provide good data on water use throughout the state, to help water users stay within their legal limits, to promote efficient water use, and to help the state carry out its water management responsibilities.

Since water is a public resource used for many economic and conservation purposes it is vital that the state be able to provide measurement of water use and require reporting so that the public interest is protected in Oregon. The state is in the growing grip of climate change that reduces water resources and warms streams that provide the reproductive and rearing environments for wild salmon and steelhead threatened with extinction. In order to maintain ecologically important conditions for native wild fish water use and reporting is a basic state responsibility to ensure that all water dependent resources in the state are protected.

Please adopt HB 4069.

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“One lives with the ghosts of what was and the hunger for what could have been.”