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On Behalf Of: Mr Oregon Opposes HB 2184

Committee: House Committee On Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, and Water

Measure: HB2184

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I OPPOSE [HB 2184].

The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW), as you should know already, is staffed with very dedicated professionals acutely aware of the Coquille River problem.

Seriously, review the Testimony of: Mr. James Fraser of 'Trout Unlimited' and Ms. Jennifer Fairbrother of the 'Native Fish Society'. Make certain ALL members of the House Committee on Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources and Water do the same.

The 'Bounty of \$5.00 per Small Mouth Bass (SMB)' is just a 'stupid' idea with 'No' thought of Fraudulent claims and will 'never solve' the Coquille River problem. SMB should be immediately removed form the 'Game Fish' category and allowing unlimited 'Taking of SMB' form the Coquille River.

Personally, I hate wasting anything-since I am an avid Gardener the composting idea put forth by Mr. Fraser is on point and gives me an idea that might work. Is it possible disposal of SMB be processed into a version of 'Fish emulsion fertilizer' as a revenue source for ODFW, Trout Unlimited and the Native Fish Society?

As to the Salmon population decrease issue; SMB is identified but, what are recommendations of the 'Fish Experts' to increase Salmon populations in the Coquille River?

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Mr. Oregon Concurs...'Fish Emulsion fertilizer' for the garden...Yes!...(And a sustainable revenue source for carbon sequestration...)