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From the desk of Representative Ken Helm



**A broad coalition of communities, associations, agricultural groups, and environmental organizations support House Bill 2169 to advance water recycling in Oregon**

Recycled water projects are green infrastructure solutions that can produce a multitude of community, economic, and environmental benefits, including opportunities to mitigate impacts from drought and to bolster reliability of water supplies. However, Oregon lags behind many other states in utilizing these important tools to deal with water quality and quantity challenges.

Oregon's water recycling permitting policies are decades old and too outdated to be responsive to modern water challenges. House Bill 2169 will improve the state's recycled water program, ensure it is well-coordinated and efficient, and open up a broader range of project opportunities for communities. The resources provided by House Bill 2169 are necessary to maintain program capacity and ensure the state can meet its goals and obligations to help communities develop and expanded recycled water uses.

House Bill 2169 has broad stakeholder and bipartisan support and was passed unanimously by the House Committee on Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, and Water.

**PLEASE SUPPORT HOUSE BILL 2169**

