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On Behalf Of:

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Natural Resources

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instream water right applications.

Topic:

I support WaterWatch's position on the bill. Water is arguably the most valuable and important natural resource in Oregon. We need to invest in the management of this important resource and to appropriately manage the resource means making an investment in collecting data, science, and needed and up to date technologies. Protecting streamflows is also vitally important and the financial resources needed to move instream flow applications through the system is vital to the long-term protection of our river and fishery resources. The budget should maintain current

services while increasing the state's investment in data collection, IT and processing

Thank-you, Bob Hunter