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I support SB 5543.. I believe OWRD is currently underfunded and at the least this bill would continue the present levels of support. As we feel more and more impacts of climate change on our water resources, it is imperative that the department has enough resources to manage the water we have. I object to 090. The department needs to collect more data not less. The better our data resources, are the more properly our resources. can be managed. Idaho, for example, requires ALL water uses to be metered and the information collected by the state. It has proven effective in managing their water resources. Furthermore I support measure 107 that would help modernize the data collection and distribution through the updates to their IT abilities.