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February 26, 2025

To: Reps. [Helm](#) and [Owens](#), Co-Chairs, Members of the [House Committee on Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources and Water](#)

Re: [HB 3106](#) – Continued Funding for Oregon Water Data Portal – Support

The League of Women Voters adopted a position on water quality in 1969, a position on Water Policy and Planning in 1977 and, after three years of study, adopted a combined Water Policy-Quality and Quantity position in 2011.

We supported the creation of the Oregon Water Data Portal and continue to support the collection of water data in a manner that all those interested in water data can access. Secondly, because Oregon has multiple agencies collecting water data, it will be advantageous for these agencies to have a consolidated source for that information. As Oregon recognizes the scarcity of water, having data to help manage water will provide for better decision making.

We urge your support for adding a specific monetary amount to the bill to cover continuing costs and forwarding it to Ways and Means.

Thank you for the opportunity to discuss this legislation.

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Lisa Bentson  
President LWVOR

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Peggy Lynch".

Peggy Lynch  
Natural Resources Coordinator

Cc: Leah Feldon, Director, Dept. of Environmental Quality