

Submitter: Jim Coverdell
On Behalf Of: Majority of Oregonians
Committee: House Committee On Agriculture, Land Use, Natural
Resources, and Water
Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3501

Dear Co-Chairs Helm and Owens,

I am writing in opposition to HB 3501.

Oregon should be doing more to protect the public interest in water right transfer decisions, not barring the state from considering impacts to fish and wildlife, water quality, and other public values. I was born here and am an avid angler and lover of Oregon. My Native American daughters were born here, and I now have a new granddaughter (less than 3 weeks old). My family holds strong cultural ties to this beautiful state and especially its waters. We need, and our state deserves, their continued strong protection and respect.

I urge you to oppose HB 3501!

Sincerely, Jim Coverdell