

Submitter: Deborah Lev

On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Agriculture, Land Use, Natural  
Resources, and Water

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3501

Dear Co-Chairs Helm and Owens,

I oppose 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. Water is a shared public resource and as climate change makes water availability less predictable and as water demand increases, public benefit including resource protection must be taken into account in water rights decisions.

I urge you to oppose HB 3501!

Sincerely,

Deborah Lev