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On Behalf Of: The Vocal Seniority

Committee: Senate Committee On Natural Resources and

Wildfire

Measure, Appointment or

Topic:

SB512

To Senator Gordon Chair and members of the Senate Committee on Natural Resources and Wildfire

On behalf of The Vocal Seniority an Indivisible group of 600+ in Bend Oregon i wish to register our opposition to SB 512.

This committee deals with natural resources and the wild fish population of the North Umpqua is a natural resource that for many years has been treated like a commodity. The Rock Creek hatchery has produced commoditized fish that serve the purpose of some commercial fisherman but at the same time that hatchery has had a harmful impact on the world famous wild steelhead in the North Umpqua. Those hatchery impacts include making the wild fish less fit, harming their survivability and productivity, decreasing their natural abundance and diversity.

This hatchery is expensive to operate and is harmful to water quality. Leave it shut down and put those funds into helping revive all wild fish in the system. Craig Lacy For the fish,

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