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On Behalf Of: Myself and the people of the state of Oregon
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On a consistent basis the Oregon legislature has got to attack the people they say they are supposed to be representing. If you think people are going to lay down and let you take their way of life away from them, you are sorely mistaken. Everyone outside of the major cities in this state are on a well and many have water rights that go back way before most of them were even born. Where there is no problem why do you insist on creating one. These rules are only going to effect for the most part, people who live in rural areas. And it is starting to appear as the punishment inflicted by legislation for a different life style in rural areas. You can say that it isn't but the appearance is starting to be apparent. This piece of legislation is not for the betterment of the people. It appears to be for the interest of special interest groups and future monetary interest of the state. Most of the people that this legislation (and others that have been proposed), will effect can not afford the damages that this and other water rights and well regulations will impose upon them. Not including the devaluation of property values and more. The short-term effect may not be noticeable but will show its head in the long term. And know the state will have to defend the actions. Damages caused by the legislation may if passed be legal by law, but the damages caused by the actions are another debate. Enough of my rant, I implore you to think of the people this legislation will effect and show that you care for them. And that the people come before special interests. Vote no on this legislation. Thank you for your time.