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On Behalf Of: Mr Oregon OPPOSES HB 2803
Committee: House Committee On Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, and Water
Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2803

I OPPOSE [HB 2803].

Good Morning Committee Members, (8:00am) is way too early for a Public meeting. How was traffic? Is good coffee provided or just plain ol' rotgut? I'll bet you are all still wondering why you ran for public office. Let's get started.

[HB 2803] expands the Oregon Water Resources Department (ORWD) and creates unnecessary water issues with existing irrigation districts.

[HB 2803] is a 'money grabbing' scheme without any justification.

[HB 2803] is a tightening noose placed around the necks of agricultural water uses. The abominable Fee increases serve as subterfuge to increasing control of water diversion for use by rural residential development and the slow but steady invalidation of Land Use Laws. Not mentioned in [HB 2803] is the devious and continuous attempt to 'meter' well water.

***The storage of water for uses in wildfire suppression should be enabled and facilitated.

***Water Districts have in the past and continue to this day, to serve Oregon's water uses.

*** [HB 2803] will dramatically increase inflationary costs to food and types of food produced in Oregon.

[HB 2803] ignores soil chemistry issues.

***More Legislative work, to control the expansion of Private Dams, Storage of Water, ground water pumping and siphoning of water from creeks for livestock and irrigation is required.

[HB 2803] is an abomination and should be rejected and denied.

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Mr. Oregon Concurs and says, "Protect all aspects of agriculture and wildlife. Enact a

moratorium on all types of rural Residential Housing projects."