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On Behalf Of:  
Committee: Senate Committee On Natural Resources and  
Wildfire  
Measure, Appointment or SB1154  
Topic:

Dear Chair Golden, Vice-Chair Nash, and Members of the Committee,

My name is Caylin Barter, and I live in Portland. My tap water comes from Bull Run, but I spend almost all my free time in rural communities visiting friends that rely on well water, and I swim, fish, and float on streams whose health is directly connected to the health of the groundwater aquifer. I am writing in support of SB 1154 to update Oregon's Groundwater Quality Management Act.

I support SB 1154 because:

- We need laws that ensure our groundwater is clean and plentiful, and that hold polluters accountable when their actions threaten this priceless public resource.
- I should be able to trust the water that comes out of the tap regardless of where I am in Oregon -- no one should be afraid that their tap water is poisoning their body, or their child's body.
- When groundwater pollution comes to light, we shouldn't have to wait decades for regulators to take action to protect us and our environment.

Thank you in advance for your support of SB 1154.

Sincerely,  
Caylin Barter  
Portland, Oregon