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Funding of fish hatcheries is essential to my business. We employ 4 employees to manufacture fishing tackle for the Pacific Northwest fisheries markets. Without hatchery production of salmon and steelhead we would be in serious financial jeopardy. We source our materials as much as possible from Oregon based firms and therefore their businesses would also be negatively impacted by hatchery closures and the resulting reduction in sportfishing markets.

I urge the passage of funding for fish hatcheries.