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- ☒ SB Public Directs the Water Resources Department to consider whether certain water right transfers will result in a loss of in-stream habitat for sensitive, threatened or endangered aquatic species in stream reaches not protected by an existing water right or contribute to water quality impairment in water quality limited streams.
- 1153 Hearing

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**don't mess with our water rights.**

SB 1153 threatens to rewrite Oregon's water laws in ways that hurt our agricultural communities, restrict water flexibility, and increase legal risk for farmers—without offering real environmental solutions. **This bill is another shameless power grab for state bureaucracy and an attack on rural Oregon farmers.**

**If you do not farm, this impacts you too.** Over-regulation drives up the cost of local produce and goods, and pushes out family owned operations. California knows this all too well.

SB 1153 is duplicative, damaging, and completely out of step with what Oregon's working families need.

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Yours truly,

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