

**FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION****Measure: HB 2876**Seventy-Sixth Oregon Legislative Assembly – 2011 Regular Session  
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Date: 3-8-2011**Measure Description:**

Directs State Department of Fish and Wildlife to conduct feasibility study regarding development of zone to improve fish habitat in specified areas.

**Government Unit(s) Affected:**

Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW)

**Summary of Expenditure Impact:**

Agency – Fund Type	2011-13 Biennium	2013-15 Biennium
Department of Fish & Wildlife -- General Funds	\$230,355	\$0

**Local Government Mandate:**

This bill does not affect local governments' service levels or shared revenues sufficient to trigger Section 15, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

**Analysis:**

The measure directs the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) to conduct a feasibility study regarding the development of a zone to improve fish habitat and report the results of the study to the legislature no later than February 1, 2013.

ODFW indicates that a typical fish habitat improvement feasibility study involves an assessment of in-stream flow needs, stream structure and possible riparian habitat improvements. ODFW assumes that they will conduct an independent feasibility study in cooperation with other entities. One-time expenditures include personal services charges of \$110,355 General Fund for a Natural Resource Specialist 3 and field crews to assess stream structures, document necessary habitat improvements, and prepare the required report of the Legislature. The Department indicates they would hire a contractor to conduct necessary in-stream water flow analysis at an estimated cost of \$120,000 General Fund.