

## **Put Oregon Back To Work**

**Oregon needs an economic boost. By drawing water from the Columbia River for summer irrigation would create 1000's of jobs.**

**We have heard testimony from water experts from previous sessions that the extra drawdown would only have minimum effects.**

**There is excellent and available means of transportation to ship these crops to these new markets. Interstate 84 by truck, shipping by rail and by barge down the Columbia.**

**A number of different things have happened recently to make this a very workable project.**

**We have signed additional Free Trade bills with other countries that Oregon could export many farm crops to.**

**With the addition of the new windmill infrastructure excess power is available for these new irrigation and other new associated projects.**

**With the surplus power and no way to transmit to other states because of lack of new transmission lines Bonneville will discharge extra waters over and through the various dams putting excess nitrogen in these waters that will harm our various Salmon and Steelhead as they head to the ocean as smolts or return as adult fish to spawn in the rivers where they were hatched.**

**Lets help protect these fish species, lets create these 1000's of new farm and industrial jobs and help Oregon's economy. Lets put Oregon back to work.**

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