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Measure Description:

Designates certain rivers and creeks as scenic waterways.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Oregon Parks and Recreation Department (OPRD), Water Resources Department, Department of Geology and Mineral Industries (DOGAMI), Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW)

Summary of Expenditure Impact:

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	2013-15 Biennium	2015-17 Biennium
General Funds	\$146,844	
Lottery Funds	\$198,000	
Total Funds	\$344,844	\$0
Positions	2	
FTE	1.75	

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 bill directs Oregon Parks and Recreation Department (OPRD) to work with the Water Resources Department (WRD) and other state agencies, to study thirty-three river segments for potential inclusion into the scenic waterways program and report back to the Governor and Legislative Assembly. OPRD is required, under scenic water ways law, to study river segments for potential inclusion as scenic waterways; however there is no set deadline for reporting and as a result this report has not been issued by OPRD since 1988.

One (1.0 FTE) limited duration Natural Resource Specialist 3 position is needed by OPRD to study the river segments by reviewing remote sensing data, coordinating with OWRD, and conducting limited public outreach. Supplies and labor are estimated to cost OPRD \$198,000 Lottery Funds (LF) in the 2013-15 biennium. One (.75 FTE) limited duration Natural Resource Specialist 4 position is needed by WRD to work with OPRD on the research and report writing at an estimated cost of \$146,844 General Funds in the 2013-15 biennium.

Minimal to no fiscal impacts are reported by the following effected agencies: Department of Geology and Mineral Industries (DOGAMI), and the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW). While this individual measure has a "Minimal" fiscal impact on the above listed agencies, an agency may incur a net fiscal impact greater than minimal depending on the cumulative impact of all measures enacted into law that affect the agency.

The Legislative Fiscal Office believes this measure warrants a subsequent referral to the Joint Committee on Ways and Means Committee for consideration of this measure's budgetary impact on the agency's Lottery Fund.