

Dear Senators,

I understand you will be voting on the Temporary Transfer and Lease legislation (SB 206) tomorrow. As an employee of a large farm in the Klamath Basin, I am asking that you support this legislation. Our region has struggled with droughts and water management for several years now. We are hoping the Klamath Basin Adjudication will be issued in the near future, but until it is we need a solution to help us get water to our farm ground when that precious resource is in short supply. The rest of Oregon has the flexibility to temporarily transfer or lease their water rights to provide water to ground that may not receive deliveries, and our region greatly needs this benefit as well.

If we cannot get a water management tool in place before the adjudication is final our farmers are at risk of going out of business which would be detrimental to our Basin's economy. My husband and I both work for the same farm and would be forced to look for work outside of this area in order to provide for our family. Please vote in favor of SB 206 to help the farmers in the Klamath Basin continue their legacy and provide employment opportunities for hundreds of hardworking Americans.

Sincerely,

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