

**From:** [Merry Ann Moore](#)  
**To:** [Sen Dembrow](#); [Sen Edwards C](#); [Sen Olsen](#); [Sen Prozanski](#); [Sen Whitsett](#); [Reiley Beth](#); [SENR Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Yes on SB 1530  
**Date:** Monday, February 08, 2016 10:08:57 PM

---

Dear Chair Edwards and members of the Senate Committee on Environment and Natural Resources,

I strongly support a five-year moratorium on suction dredge mining in essential salmon habitat and tributaries. This hiatus would allow time for a well-planned regulatory framework to be put in place, so threatened fish species have a better chance of recovery.

The bill allows tribes to protect cultural resources, and adds inspections to improve invasive species controls. It's a fair solution with permit fees that don't burden taxpayers.

Please support this bill.

Thank you for considering my views  
Merry Ann Moore  
Sisters, OR