

HB 2496 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Energy and Environment

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Sub-Referral To: Joint Committee On Ways and Means

Meeting Dates: 3/15

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Appropriates \$452,390 from General Fund for biennium beginning July 1, 2017, to Oregon Department of Administrative Services for payment to River Docs, LLC for purpose of implementing first phase of sediment study of lower Rogue River. Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2017.

REVENUE: May have revenue impact, but no statement yet issued

FISCAL: May have fiscal impact, but no statement yet issued

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

BACKGROUND:

The Rogue River is located in southwestern Oregon and flows 215 miles from Crater Lake to the Pacific Ocean at Gold Beach. According to the Department of Fish and Wildlife the Rogue River has the largest wild fish populations of any of Oregon's coastal rivers.

House Bill 2496 appropriates \$452,390 from the General Fund to the Oregon Department of Administrative Services for payment to the River Docs, LLC for the purpose of implementing the first phase of a sediment study of the lower Rogue River.