

## Smith Holly

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**From:** Ken & Barbara Arnold <kb4arnold@hotmail.com>  
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I strongly urge no votes on HB 2705 and 2706. While these bills were drafted with good intentions their actual implementation would be a financial disaster to many water users who do not have the funds or staff to implement these requirements. During irrigation season, taking precious time from crop work to fulfill these new laws could put an unworkable strain on irrigators already putting in 20 hour days.

Plus the added expense of a management fee on top of already high irrigation costs does not seem to have agricultures best interests at heart!

HB 2707 could provide valuable research that could be used to better understand where the critical ground water issues are, but considering Oregon's current financial situation, I feel our tax dollars could be better spent elsewhere this fiscal year.

Sincerely,  
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Water user, water right owner