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To the committee,

As an irrigator in Central Oregon for many years I understand the benefits of monitoring water use. Oregon is on a collision course of water use as a resource as the beneficial use of this resource slowly evolves from mainly farming practices to now include recreational as well as environmental concerns. By strict monitoring and thus proper management our water resource/irrigation district has been able to contribute to the well being of our water course in a way that benefits all potential uses as mentioned above. Wether one pulls from ground water or stream, connectivity exists between the two. This fact is often overlooked when water sources are considered by those concerned. We need a base line number for our aquifers that is relevant to todays climate variations and this can only be done by an impartial study.

Thank you for your consideration

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