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I strongly favor House Bill 2705 that would require measurement and annual reporting of all diversions of water after 2020 and HB 2706 that would impose an annual \$100 “management fee” on each water right certificate, permit, decree, or groundwater registration.

I read the series in *The Oregonian* last year and was appalled that irrigators are drawing water when the state does not know how much they are drawing and whether or not the ground water is being depleted. It **is** appropriate that those who benefit from the resource pay to have it monitored. It is **not** appropriate for the tax payers to do so.

I urge you to pass these two bills out of committee.

Yours truly,
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