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Co-Chair Senator Fred Girod, Co-Chair Representative Paul Holvey, and Members of the Joint Committee on Ways and Means Subcommittee on Capital Construction

RE: SB 5530 - Testimony in Support of Lottery funds for the Bradshaw Drop Irrigation Canal Piping Project

Dear Co-Chair Girod, Co-Chair Holvey, and Members of the Committee:

Talent Irrigation District supports Rogue River Valley Irrigation District seeking funding for their Water Conservation Piping project. The Medford Irrigation District and Talent Irrigation District, in partnership with WISE, has worked closely with Rogue River Valley Irrigation District to help improve water, quality, protect fish habitat, enhance instream flows, as well as protecting the regional agricultural economy. Talent Irrigation District fully supports Rogue River Valley Irrigation District's application for funding that is needed to proceed with project improvements for further improving water conservation, fish habitat, water quality and aquatic weed control and stream temperatures within the project area.

Talent Irrigation District strongly promotes water conservation, efficiency and fish habitat enhancement. The Bradshaw Drop piping project is a good demonstration project that improves water quality and quantity and fish habitat within the District boundaries. Talent Irrigation District supports funding this project.

Sincerely,

Wanda Derry Assistant Manager

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