

MALIN IRRIGATION DISTRICT

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To the Rules Committee,
Oregon State Senate

RE: Support for Proposed Amendment to HB 2873-A

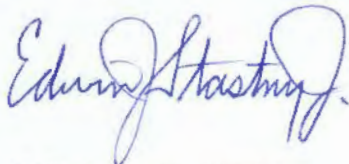
The purpose of this letter is to provide support to amend HB 2873-A to provide the irrigation districts within in the Klamath Reclamation Project, including Malin Irrigation District, flexibility in the management of irrigation water through a state pilot program.

Although irrigation districts within the Project have the same struggles with water management as the districts originally included in the program, they were not included because they did not have a quantified water right. These districts now have a quantified water right.

In addition, the Klamath Reclamation Project is unique in that the districts within the Project fall under the same water right. The flexibility of water transfers under the pilot program are aligned with maximizing the efficiency of water use in the Klamath Reclamation Project as a whole, thereby reducing costs and clarifying the procedures and requirements of such transfers.

Malin Irrigation District strongly urges the legislative committee to accept this amendment.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Edna J. Hastings". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "E" and "H".

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