

TOM QUINTAL SMALL SCALE MINER FOR 30 YEARS WITH FEDERAL MINING CLAIMS.

I WAS ONE OF 5 MINERS THAT PARTICIPATED IN THE GOVERNORS STUDY GROUP ATTENDING 6 MEETINGS ONCE A MONTH FROM 10:30 AM TO 3:30 PM.

THANK YOU SENATOR DEMBROW & SENATOR BATES & SENATOR BOQUIST FOR ATTENDING A FEW OF OUR GOV. STUDY GROUP MEETINGS.

THIS IS A QUICK OVERVIEW OF MY EXPERIENCE WITH THE GOVERNORS STUDY GROUP AND THE END RESULTS IN MY OPINION WERE A MISERABLE FAILURE AND THAT APPEARS TO BE WHY WE HAVE SB-3. MINERS WANT HB 2106. TO PASS. **ALSO PLEASE SEE OLS EXHIBITS FOR SB-3 REGARDING STATE PERMITS & NOTICE HOW IN 2002 ODEQ 700J WAS ONLY 5 PAGE PERMIT IN 2010 IT WAS 10 PAGES IN 2014 IT WAS 12 PAGES IN 2015 IT IS 15 PAGES IN JUST 13 YEARS FROM A 5 PAGE PERMIT. DEQ IS OUT OF CONTROL WITH THEIR OVERLY RESTRICTIVE PERMITS...**

DEQ 600 WPCF INLAND HIGH BANKING PERMIT IS A RESTRICTIVE 9 PAGE PERMIT.

DSL GENERAL AUTHORIZAION PERMIT IS 5 PAGES.

WHAT IS IMPORTANT TO KNOW ABOUT THIS STUDY GROUP IS NONE OF THE STAKE HOLDER VOTED TO SUPPORT WHAT IS IN SB 838. THE ONLY THING ALL STAKEHOLDERS VOTED TO APPROVE WAS TO REDUCE FIRST TIME VIOLATIONS TO A CITATION INSTEAD OF A MISDEMANOR THAT WILL CAUSE EXPENSIVE JURY TRIALS IN RURAL COUNTIES WITH LIMITED FINANCES. THAT IS IT.

THE RESULTS OF THE GOVERNORS STUDY GROUP INFORMATION MUST HAVE RESULTED IN SB-838. SB-3 IS A WISH LIST FOR GOVERNMENT AGENCIES, ENVIRONMENTALIST AND OTHER SPECIAL INTEREST RIVER USERS.

SB 3 AS WRITTEN IS IMPOSSIBLE FOR SUCTION DREGE PLACER MINERS TO COMPLY WITH ALL THE OVERLY RESTRICTIVE REQUIREMENTS.

ODF&W FOLKS GAVE PRESENTATIONS THAT COULD, MIGHT, OR MAY CAUSE HARM BUT NOT SHALL OR WILL CAUSE HARM. NO PIER REVIEW SCIENCE WAS PRESENTED AT THE GOVERNORS STUDY GROUP.FOR LAMPREY, FRESH WATER

CLAMS MUSCLES OR STREAM GOMORPHOLOGY, STREAM ARMORING, OR 5 BANDED SNAILS AS INVASIVE SPECIES.

80 % OF MINING IS DONE IN THE UPPER REACHES WHERE THESE SPECIES ARE NOT FOUND BECAUSE MOST OF THEM LIVE IN WARMER WATERS.

WHAT ARE THE SOLUTIONS TO MOTORIZED MINING PERCEIVED PROBLEMS?

PASS HB-2106 TO ELIMINATE SB-838 MORATORIUM FOR FEDERAL PATENTED AND UNPATENTED MINING CLAIMS.

REMOVE UPLAND MINING FROM ALL LEGISLATIVE BILLS.

SET UP A TASK FORCE OF INTERESTED APOINTED LEGISLATORS TO OBSERVE FIRST HAND PLACER MINING OPERATIONS. IF YOU STILL BELIEVE A BILL IS REQUIRED OVER AND ABOVE ALL THE OVERLY RESTRICTIVE PERMITS YOU WOULD HAVE THE KNOWLEDGE TO DO SO.

BEFORE YOU VOTE ANOTHER OREGON INDUSTRY OUT OF BUSINESS WITH ESTIMATED REVENUES OF 30 MILION DOLLARS ANNUALLY PLEASE TAKE TIME TO EDUCATE YOURSELVES WHAT YOU PRECEIVE IS A PROBLEM. WE ARE SEEING SOME OF THE BEST SALMON RETURNS FOR OREGON STREAMS IN YEARS SO FISH HABITATE SHOULD NOT BE AN ISSUE.

I WOULD LIKE TO ISSUE A CHALLENGE MY LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVES FOR EACH ONE OF YOU TO EXPERIENCE FIRST HAND IN STREAM OPERATION OF A SUCTION DREDGE AND INVITE YOU FOLKS TO MY MINING CLAIM.

NOW WHICH ONE OR ALL OF YOU WOULD BE WILLING TO JUMP IN THE WATER OR STAND ON THE BANK AND OBSERVE A DREDGE WORKING???????

I WOULD BE HAPPY TO ANSWER YOUR QUESTIONS.

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