

SB 5701

Leaburg Fish Hatchery Funding Request to Capitol Construction Subcommittee 4/22/18
From NW Steelheaders (Bob Oleson)

The proposed transfer of the Leaburg fish hatchery to the state is a great opportunity. One which strengthens the Oregon hatchery system while improving recreational fishing for trout and salmon.

The request for bridge funding would allow this hatchery to continue to operate through the current interim. The Leaburg facility is well built and well located, being on the McKenzie River. This opportunity is timely and needs to be acted on now because it is very expensive to close and then try to re-open a fish hatchery.

It is recommended you pursue this important request. It would create a major fisheries asset contributing to a number of rural economies within the Willamette Valley.