



Open Government Impact Statement

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Measure: HB 2437 - A

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SUMMARY

Authorizes maintenance activities in dry, traditionally maintained channels to be conducted without removal or fill permit subject to certain conditions. Requires Department of State Lands and State Department of Agriculture to enter memorandum of understanding for State Department of Agriculture to implement and enforce provisions for maintenance of dry, traditionally maintained channels. Authorizes Department of State Lands to enter other memoranda of understanding as necessary to implement or enforce provisions.

Requires Department of State Lands to adopt by rule *general permit* one or more general permits for maintenance activities in *wet,* traditionally maintained channels during channel conditions where flowing or standing water is present. *Requires department to adopt rules no later than January 1, 2028.*

Directs College of Agricultural Sciences of Oregon State University to conduct study of benefits and impacts of maintenance activities in traditionally maintained channels on habitat complexity and other biological parameters. Requires college to submit results of study to Legislative Assembly, Department of State Lands, *and* State Department of Agriculture and State Department of Fish and Wildlife no later than January 1, 2025. Requires State Department of Agriculture to conduct evaluation based on results of study.

Requires State Department of Agriculture, Department of State Lands and State Department of Fish and Wildlife to jointly prepare biennial report on maintenance activities in traditionally maintained channels. Reporting requirement sunsets January 2, 2030.

Becomes operative January 1, 2020.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

NOTICE OF NO OPEN GOVERNMENT IMPACT