Submitted By: Tracey Liskey

On Behalf Of: Family

Testimony in support of: House Bill 2765: Relating to treated wastewater discharged by the South Suburban Sanitary District; declaring an emergency.

Submitted to: House Committee On Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, and Water

Dear Chair Helm Vice-Chairs Hartman and Owens and members of the committee,

My name is Tracey Liskey. My wife and I have lived and farmed just off Lower Klamath Lake Road for decades. Our property is within the SSSD reuse water target area.

The damage we have seen to the land and wildlife habitat due to the severe multi year drought has been heartbreaking for us to live through and witness.

Our property is just north of the Lower Klamath Wildlife Refuge and has been a critical food source for the tens of thousands of migratory birds and other wildlife that call the refuge home during migration, as well a those that reside there year round.

My wife is an artist that loves to paint wildlife. The thought of losing her favorite subjects when an innovative solution like HB 2765 is available is very upsetting to her. Especially since it doesn't cost anything, it saves twenty million dollars.

We know this won't solve every issue related to the drought, but this will help restore and preserve some of that habitat damaged by the drought.

My wife and I respectfully encourage you to vote YES on HB 2765.

Respectfully,

Tracey Liskey