

Submitter: Cheryl Conway

On Behalf Of:

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

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3501

Dear Committee Members,

I am writing to you to express my opposition to HB3501. The laws and policies governing water rights in Oregon need revision to acknowledge the changing needs of all Oregonians. The threat of cascading collapse of watersheds and aquifers is real and will eventually result in water for no one, especially in eastern Oregon. New policies must balance the farmer's needs for water to produce our food with the environment's needs for water to maintain the environment in which we grow that food. HB3501 would keep water rights policies from the 1800's in place instead of facing the challenges of the 21st century.

Please vote NO on HB3501.

Sincerely,  
Cheryl Conway