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On Behalf Of:

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Resources, and Water

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3372

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I'm Clair Klock, retired farmer and conservation specialist. I urge your opposition to HB 3372-5. I spend 25 years consulting with people in Western Oregon that had lost their well water due to decrease static water levels. This required them to deepen existing wells or putting in a entirely new well at large expense.

As said in the past, we still don't have a handle on the recharge rates of large number of aquifers and shouldn't be giving water right away. Southeastern Oregon is a prime example of this type of management. The public is bearing the cost of lack of foresight by having to bail out landowner with both water right and that of their neighbor domestic well problems.

Thank you