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This is a blatant and shameless power grab from the State of Oregon. Rural Oregonians already pay yearly for irrigation and water rights, to the tune of collective hundreds of thousands when you consider that one person pays \$400+ per year. Many of us rely on our wells for drinking water and every day living. We pay ourselves to maintain the well, to keep it pumping, and ensure they are in place correctly. That also cost a pretty penny, especially in today's economy. The state has taken enough from We the People, and they've taken enough from the farmers and ranchers who put the food on all of our tables and grocery store shelves. As a state with one of the \*highest\* tax rates and cost of living, this is an absolute slap in the face. This bill has no business being passed.