

SENATE COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES

March 23, 2015
03:00 PM

Hearing Room C

MEMBERS PRESENT: Sen. Chris Edwards, Chair
Sen. Alan Olsen, Vice-Chair
Sen. Michael Dembrow
Sen. Floyd Prozanski
Sen. Chuck Thomsen

MEMBER(S) VISITING: Sen. Doug Whitsett
Rep. Gail Hildreth Whitsett

STAFF PRESENT: Beth Reiley, Committee Administrator
Samantha Koopman, Committee Assistant

EXHIBITS: Exhibits from this meeting are available [here](#)

MEASURES/ISSUES: SB 206 – Public Hearing
SB 264 – Public Hearing
SB 20 – Work Session
SB 248 – Work Session

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00:00:03 Meeting Called to Order
00:00:03 Chair Edwards

00:01:43 **SB 206 & SB 264 - Public Hearing**

00:01:43 Chair Edwards

00:02:12 Beth Reiley, Committee Administrator

00:02:38 EXHIBITS 1-12: Richard Whitman, Natural Resources Advisor, Governor's Office

00:10:47 EXHIBIT 13-14: Tom Paul, Deputy Director, Oregon Water Resources Department

00:14:11 Roger Nicholson, Fort Klamath Critical Habitat Landowners and Resource Conservancy

00:17:57 EXHIBIT 15: Greg Addington, Executive Director, Klamath Water Users Association

00:21:05 Vice-Chair Olsen
00:23:33 EXHIBITS 16-17: Sen. Doug Whitsett, Senate District 28
00:30:04 Rep. Gail Hildreth Whitsett, House District 56
00:33:19 Sen. Thomsen
00:37:07 Sen. Prozanski

00:39:30 **SB 20 - Work Session**
00:39:31 MOTION: VICE-CHAIR OLSEN MOVES SB 20 DO PASS
00:39:37 Chair Edwards
00:39:47 Sen. Prozanski
00:40:29 Sen. Dembrow
00:41:34 VOTE:5-0-0
AYES: DEMBROW, PROZANSKI, THOMSEN, OLSEN, EDWARDS
CARRIER: SEN. OLSEN WILL LEAD DISCUSSION ON THE FLOOR

00:41:45 **SB 248 - Work Session**
00:41:48 MOTION: VICE-CHAIR OLSEN MOVES SB 248 DO PASS
00:41:56 Chair Edwards
00:42:51 VOTE: 5-0-0
AYES: DEMBROW, PROZANSKI, THOMSEN, OLSEN, EDWARDS
CARRIER: SEN. OLSEN WILL LEAD DISCUSSION ON THE FLOOR

00:43:07 **SB 206 & SB 264 - Public Hearing**
00:43:07 Chair Edwards
00:44:13 EXHIBITS 18-33: Tom Mallams, Commissioner, Klamath County, Oregon
00:49:23 EXHIBITS 34-35: Dennis Linthicum, rancher, Klamath County, Oregon
00:53:14 EXHIBITS 36-37: Richard Marshall, President, Siskiyou County Water Users
Mark Baird, rancher, Siskiyou County, California
01:02:50 EXHIBITS 38-39: Don Gentry, Chairman, Klamath Tribes
01:04:53 Garrett Roseberry, Sprauge River Water Resource Foundation
01:06:32 EXHIBIT 40: Bryan Baumgartner, President, Rogue River Valley Irrigation District
EXHIBITS 41-42: Becky Hyde, Upper Klamath Water Users Association
01:11:27 Sen. Doug Whitsett, Senate District 28
01:13:50 EXHIBITS 43-44: Liz Bowen, resident, California
01:16:51 Diane Lithicum, rancher, Klamath County, Oregon
01:17:36 Andrea Carson, resident, Siskiyou County, California
01:19:05 EXHIBITS 45-46: Brandon Criss, Supervisor, Siskiyou County, California
01:23:57 Linda Long, President, Modoc Point Irrigation District
01:27:14 Lauren Smith, Policy Coordinator, Oregon Water Resource Congress
01:29:04 Tom Pease, resident, Siskiyou County, California
01:31:06 EXHIBITS 47-48: James Burney, business owner, California
01:37:27 EXHIBITS 49-50: Brent Chayne, farmer, Klamath County, Oregon
01:39:53 Frank Hammerich, irrigator, Klamath County, Oregon
01:42:50 EXHIBITS 51-52: Rex Cozzalio, resident, Siskiyou County, California

01:44:53 George Webb, resident, Siskiyou County, California
01:48:14 EXHIBITS 53-54: Larry Nicholson, rancher, Oregon
01:48:36 EXHIBITS 55-56: Joe Watkins, Manager, Klamath Soil & Water Conservation District
01:56:56 Vice-Chair Olsen
01:57:15 Richard Whitman, Natural Resource Advisor, Governor's Office
01:59:53 Sen. Thomsen
02:02:29 Tom Paul, Deputy Director, Water Resources Department
02:05:00 Sen. Dembrow
02:14:12 Rep. Gail Hildreth Whitsett, House District 56
02:19:15 EXHIBITS 57-58: Witness Registration
02:19:16 The following is submitted for the record without public testimony:
EXHIBITS 59-62: Racquel Rancier, Senior Policy Coordinator, Oregon Water Resources Department
EXHIBITS 63-64: Edwin Vieira, resident
EXHIBITS 65-66: Jim Verboon, resident, California
EXHIBITS 67-68: Bruce Topham, Flying T Ranch, Oregon
EXHIBITS 69-70: Brandan Topham, resident, Oregon
EXHIBITS 71-72: Virginia Topham, Flying T Ranch, Oregon
EXHIBITS 73-74: Susan Topham, Squaw Flat Ranch, Oregon
EXHIBITS 75-76: Richard Gierak, resident, California
02:19:21 Meeting Adjourned