

**SENATE COMMITTEE ON WATER & LAND USE**

**January 14, 1999 Hearing Room B**

**1:00 P.M. Tapes 1 - 3**

**MEMBERS PRESENT: Sen. Veral Tarno, Chair**

**Sen. Tony Corcoran, Vice Chair**

**Sen. Gary George**

**Sen. Thomas Wilde**

**MEMBER EXCUSED: Sen. Marilyn Shannon**

**STAFF PRESENT: Ray Kelly, Administrator**

**Diana Bronson, Administrative Support**

**MEASURE/ISSUES HEARD: Adoption of Committee Rules**

**Informational:**

**Water Resources Department**

**Oregon Department of Environmental Quality**

**Oregon Water Resources Congress**

**Oregon Farm Bureau**

**Oregon Cattlemen's Association**

**Oregon Trout**

**Water for Life**

**Oregon Ground Water Association**

**Water Watch of Oregon**

**Oregon Environmental Council**

**Oregon Nurserymen's Association**

**League of Oregon Cities**

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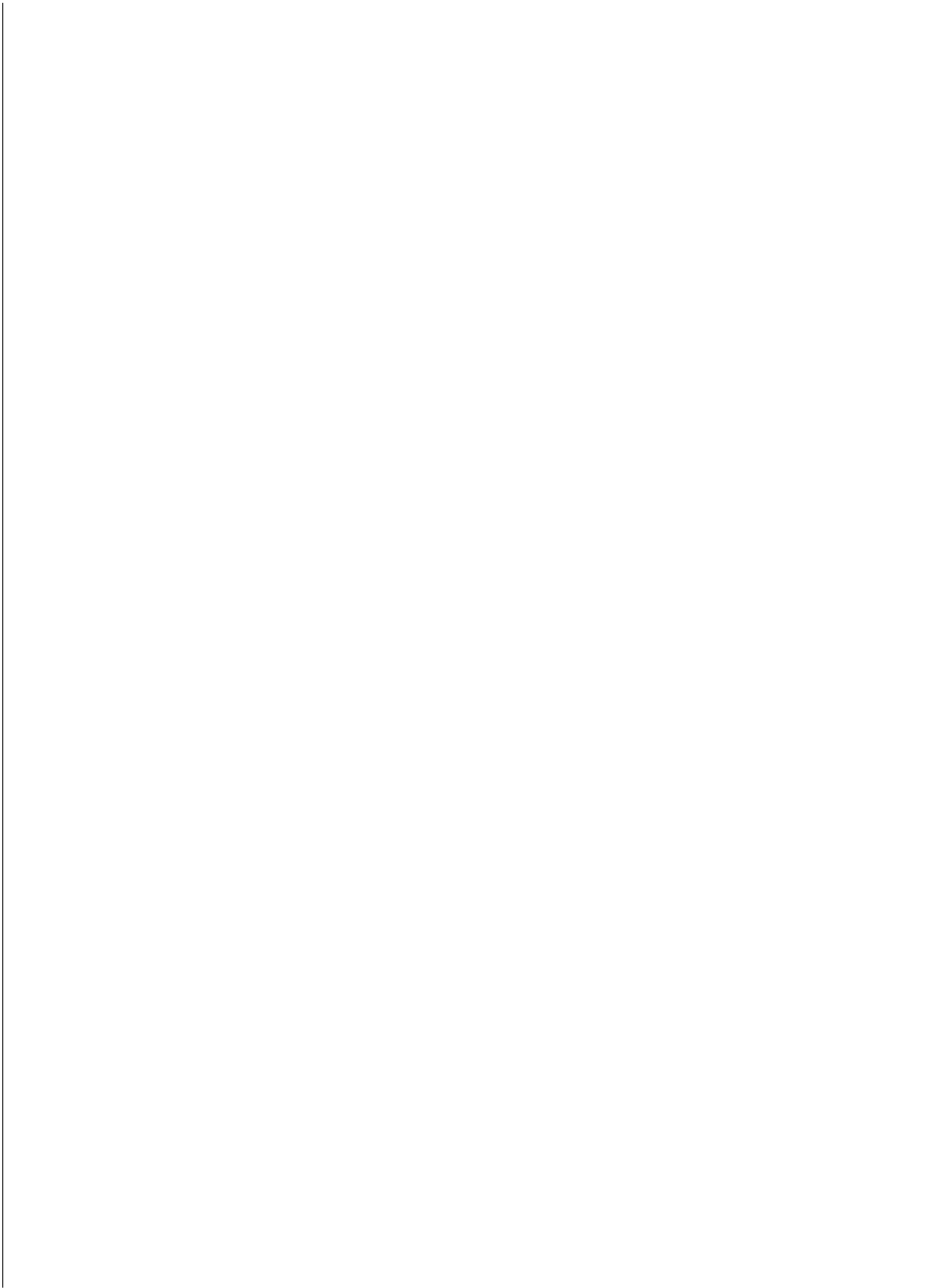
TAPE/#	Speaker	Comments
<b>TAPE 1, A</b>		
010	Chair Tarno	Convenes meeting at 1:10 p.m. and excuses Sen. Shannon. Moves committee rules be adopted. Introductions of Senator George/
030	Sen. George	Introduces himself and gives a short dissertation
037	Sen. Corcoran	Dist. 22. Ag. Water policy. Predominate timber and farm land.
054	Chair Tarno	Dist. 24.
062	Committee Ad	Introduces himself as committee administrator.
069	Chair	Asks for room number
071	Chair	
076	Witness	Mike Polk County Commissioner. Discusses use and need for water in Oregon. Discusses policies for site banking for now and the future uses.
107	Chair	Asks what site banking is.
109	Witness	Storage of future water and usage of reservoirs. States the need for site banking.
127	Chair Tarno	Asks if there is an agenda coming up during this session.
131	Witness	States not at this time but will see.
137		
150	Witness	Water Resources Department. Describes details of handout materials given the committee.
193	Witness	Continues describing packet documents. Produces book of Water Laws/ States each Senator on committee will receive a copy.

243		Goes back to discuss Business Plan to show committee an overview of a summary of budget proposals hoping to accomplish. Strategic Plan.  HB 2162 Hydro Electric task force. HB 2163 loan fund; HB 2165 relates to
325	Witness	Water Resources Department continues to discuss recommendations and bills to be addressed. Discusses
345	Sen. Corcoran	Thanks Water Resources for bringing the water issues to light  Welcomes Sen. Wilde.
358	Sen. Wilde	
361	Witness	Water Resources
367	Chair	Excuses
371	Chair	Mr. Landgdon
404	Witness	Mr. Marsh, OR Dept. of Environmental Quality. Describes responsibility of the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality to including drinking water,
Tape 2		
16	Witness	Mr. Marsh continues to describe agency responsibilities and plans to protect water quality. Talks about condition of Willamette River.
060	Witness	Continues to
063	Sen. Wilde	Asks how that was determined. Asks how the problems can
076	Witness	States information is available on the Willamette Basin.
096	Sen. George	Brings to the attention that we are now seeing changes
112	Witness	
122	Chair Tarno	States he wishes to get into this matter further.
125	Witness Marsh	Continues discussion of basin in Willamette River. Tells committee SDS study is in materials provided.

150	Witness Marsh	Continues discussion in sleuth.
174	Witness Marsh	Sediments found in Portland due to ship traffic. States work is being done to clean.
184	Chair	Asks how clean is our water in this state?
194	Witness Leland	Drinking water division. States he worked on steering committee. Discusses contaminates being in river being low according to health standards. Can be reduced for drinking water use. States they do not know the cause of fish deformities. States Corvallis has used Willamette for years with proper filtration systems. Acknowledges that if the Willamette is to be used for drinking water newer systems and better systems will have to be used.
284	Chair	QThanks Leland for his time.
287	Sen. Corcoran	Asks if improved water in Corvallis has anything to do with football team. Asks witness to bring contaminates next time.
316	Sen. George	States he finds water development is like food train.
327	Witness Leland	
333	Sen. George	Asks if we don't have standards how do we know the water is safe.
345	Witness	States there are standards and more coming.
357	Sen. Wilde	
399	Chair	Thanks Witnesses
404	Witness	Oregon Water Resources Congress
Tape 1, B	Witness	Continues discussing Oregon Water Resources
079	Chair	Thanks witness and asks that witnesses shorten their
95	Witness	Farm Bureau. States Farm Bureau will be involved in all water issues. Discusses issues the bureau will be involved in.
132	Chair	Thanks witness

135	Chair	Welcomes Or Cattleman Assoc.(2).
137	Witness	Discusses issues the Association will be addressing this session.
219	Witness	Continues to discuss issues.
226	Sen Corcoran	Discussion between Chair re navigatability issues.
236	Witness	Glen Stonebreak of the Oregon Cattlemenís Association. Discusses bills to be addressed this session.
268	Chair	
270	Witness	
272	Chair	Introduces Oregon Trout.
273	Witness	
307	Chair	Asks if witness saw map (?)
313	Sen George	Asks what he thinks about the issue of the Cattlemenís Associationís thoughts.
320	Witness	
326	Sen George	Do you think it fits pretty well?
328	Chair	Water for Life. Todd HigerÖÖ States they specialize in water and being a nonprofit organization.
390	Chair	How do we deal
410	Chair	Asks if anyone else
414	Witness	Introduces Or Ground Water Assoc.  Discusses concepts that will be introduced this session.
Tape 2, Side B		

34	Witness	Continues to discuss other committees involved. Discusses OAR's other issues regarding drilling of wells.
73	Chair	Introduces Water Watch of Oregon
75	Witness(es)	
126	Witness Myers	States that water supply is a crisis all over the State. States they are looking forward to working with the committee. States they have other priorities, i.e., measuring water use, prospectively eliminate ground water loopholes.
260	Witness Abraham	Continues to read testimony.
206	Sen. Corcoran	0 sum waterÖ..
212	Chair	Environmental Counsel.
224	Witness Abraham	Discusses issues to approach this session.
294	Chair	Introduces
299	Witness	Oregon Nurseryman's Association.
350	Witness	Tiffany League of Oregon Cities
386	Chair	States concern about both.
390	Witness	Agrees and states he is on the board
399	Chair	
403	Witness	States they can contribute also.
408	Chair	Asks if anyone would like to testify.
413	Chair	Adjourns meeting at 2:59p.m.



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**EXHIBIT SUMMARY**

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