

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES SUBCOMMITTEE ON WATER

February 4, 1993 Hearing Room D 3:00 p.m. Tapes 14 - 15

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rep. Chuck Norris, Chair Rep. Ray Baum Rep. Carl Hosticka Rep. Tim Josi Rep. Bill Markham Rep. Nancy Peterson Rep. Bob Repine Rep. Liz VanLeeuwen

VISITING MEMBERS: Sen. Bill Dwyer Sen. Bob Kintigh Sen. Wes Cooley Sen. Tricia Smith

STAFF PRESENT: Catherine Fitch, Committee Administrator Pat Zwick, Committee Coordinator Sue Nichol, Committee Clerk Lisa Zavala, Senate Committee Administrator MEASURES CONSIDERED: Informational Meeting Only

WITNESSES: Martha Pagel, Department of Water Resources Becky Kreag, Department of Water Resources Doug Parrow, Department of Water Resources Mike Madison, CH2M Hill

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005 CHAIR NORRIS: Calls the meeting to order at 3:05.

017 MARTHA PAGEL, Department of Water Resources: Introduces Becky Kreag, Administrator of Resource Management Division and Doug Parrow.

030 BECKY KREAG, Department of Water Resources: House Bill on WRD's water conservation application program is being worked on and they will soon

have suggestions.

040 DOUG PARROW: Explains Water Conservation Program. Reads and explains Exhibit A.

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059 PARROW: Explains actual effects of conservation program on different users depending on basin specifics and how uses are changing.

065 CHAIR DWYER: Has anyone benefitted from the conserved water?

068 PARROW: No, still in process of processing an application.

CHAIR DWYER: How many voluntary sub-basin conservation plans have been established?

075 PARROW: None. Lost focus on trying to push sub-basin conservation plans.

079 CHAIR DWYER: Explains use of water for fish migration.

SEN. KINTIGH: Would water master tell how long to run sprinklers?

097 PARROW: Could theoretically, but has not been done.

100 SEN. KINTIGH: Do you offer technical assistance to help a person know how much to irrigate?

102 PARROW: We don't have capability.

108 SEN. COOLEY: Since "waste" isn't defined, how can it be managed? Also, how can there be state-wide standards with all the variation in soils

and conditions?

136 CHAIR NORRIS: Extension service at Oregon State University is very helpful in his location.

148 SEN. COOLEY: Since SB 24 has not been implemented, there has been no benefit.

185 SEN. SMITH: Asks what type of technical advice is available to water users and how can it be provided.

209 PARROW: Will develop a sourcebook of information. Information is available in soil conservation districts and extension departments of

universities.

230 This sourcebook would describe how to implement water conservation projects.

239 MARK MADISON, CH2M Hill: States problem with state conservation program is with definitions. Supports HB 2155 as submitted this morning.

Return flow of 47% is probably national average. Return flow in Oregon may be 5, 10 or 15%. CH2M Hill works to improve efficiency of systems.

325 CHAIR NORRIS: Clarifies that HB 2155 will have additional public hearings.

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005 MADISON: Will supply written copies of his testimony.

Meeting adjourned 4:02

Submitted by:

Reviewed by:

Sue Nichol

Catherine Fitch Clerk Administrator

EXHIBIT LOG:

A - Information on Water Resources Department Water
Conservation Program - Doug Farrow - 27 pages