

## **HOUSE COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND WATER**

**February 17, 2009  
3:00 P.M.**

**Hearing Room D**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**        **Rep. Ben Cannon, Chair**  
                                     **Rep. Vic Gilliam, Vice-Chair**  
                                     **Rep. Jefferson Smith, Vice-Chair**  
                                     **Rep. Jules Bailey**  
                                     **Rep. Phil Barnhart**  
                                     **Rep. Cliff Bentz**  
                                     **Rep. Debbie Boone**  
                                     **Rep. Bob Jenson**

**STAFF PRESENT:**         **Beth Patrino, Committee Administrator**  
                                     **Sue Hampton, Committee Assistant**

**MEASURES/ISSUES HEARD:**   **Water Issues in Umatilla Basin – Invited Testimony –**  
   **Informational Meeting**  
   **HB 2406 – Public Hearing**

**This recording log is in compliance with Senate and House Rules. For complete contents, refer to the digital audio recording.**

**HEW**

**2/17/2009 3:01:36 PM**

- 3:01:50 PM** Meeting Called to Order
- 3:01:55 PM** Water Issues in the Umatilla Basin - Invited Testimony-  
Informational Meeting
- 3:02:39 PM** Chair Cannon
- 3:02:55 PM** Barry Norris, Water Resources Department
- 3:02:56 PM** {Exhibit} 1: Norris
- 3:12:23 PM** Rep. Barnhart
- 3:13:01 PM** Chair Cannon
- 3:13:02 PM** Rep. Barnhart
- 3:13:19 PM** Norris
- 3:14:29 PM** Rep. Barnhart
- 3:15:20 PM** Norris
- 3:16:00 PM** Rep. Barnhart
- 3:16:11 PM** Norris
- 3:16:18 PM** Rep. Barnhart
- 3:16:58 PM** Chair Cannon
- 3:17:14 PM** Rep. Barnhart
- 3:17:21 PM** Norris
- 3:17:43 PM** Rep. Jenson
- 3:19:25 PM** Chair Cannon
- 3:19:45 PM** Rep. Jenson
- 3:19:58 PM** Chair Cannon
- 3:20:21 PM** Mike Wick, District Manager, Westland Irrigation District
- 3:25:59 PM** Chair Cannon
- 3:26:12 PM** Dennis Doherty, Commissioner, Umatilla County
- 3:27:57 PM** {Exhibit} 2: Doherty
- 3:28:08 PM** William Quaempts, Trustee, Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla
- 3:28:18 PM** {Exhibit} 3: Quaempts
- 3:32:08 PM** Chair Cannon
- 3:32:40 PM** Vice-Chair Smith J.
- 3:33:13 PM** Rep. Jenson
- 3:33:59 PM** Vice-Chair Gilliam
- 3:35:09 PM** Vice-Chair Smith J.
- 3:35:17 PM** Chair Cannon
- 3:35:30 PM** HB 2406 - Public Hearing
- 3:35:43 PM** Rep. Greg Smith, House District 57
- 3:41:32 PM** Chair Cannon
- 3:41:37 PM** Vice-Chair Smith J.
- 3:42:59 PM** Rep. Greg Smith

**3:44:33 PM** Chair Cannon  
**3:44:43 PM** Rep. Mike Schaufler, House District 48  
**3:46:48 PM** Chair Cannon  
**3:46:52 PM** Steve Eldrige, General Manager, Umatilla Electric Cooperative  
**3:46:53 PM** {Exhibit} 4: Eldrige  
**3:53:51 PM** John DiLorenzo, Umatilla Electric Cooperative  
**3:53:53 PM** {Exhibit} 5: DiLorenzo  
**3:54:43 PM** {Exhibit} 6: DiLorenzo  
**4:03:18 PM** Chair Cannon  
**4:03:28 PM** DiLornzo  
**4:05:42 PM** Vice-Chair Smith J.  
**4:06:49 PM** Vice-Chair Gilliam  
**4:07:16 PM** Eldrige  
**4:08:05 PM** Chair Cannon  
**4:08:20 PM** Eldridge  
**4:08:35 PM** Chair Cannon  
**4:08:51 PM** Eldridge  
**4:09:01 PM** Chair Cannon  
**4:09:48 PM** Eldridge  
**4:11:01 PM** Chair Cannon  
**4:11:33 PM** Rep. Boone  
**4:14:02 PM** Chair Cannon  
**4:14:18 PM** Rep. Jenson  
**4:14:23 PM** Chair Cannon  
**4:14:45 PM** Rep. Jenson  
**4:19:22 PM** Chair Cannon  
**4:19:46 PM** Rep. Bentz  
**4:20:14 PM** DiLorenzo  
**4:20:49 PM** Chair Cannon  
**4:21:05 PM** Rick George, Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian  
Reservation  
**4:24:45 PM** Dennis Doherty, Commisisoner, Umatilla County  
**4:29:00 PM** Chair Cannon  
**4:29:52 PM** Janet Neuman, Professor  
**4:29:53 PM** {Exhibit} 7: Neuman  
**4:43:46 PM** Chair Cannon  
**4:44:05 PM** Tom Paul, Deputy Director, Water Resource Department  
**4:44:11 PM** {Exhibit} 8: Paul  
**4:47:14 PM** Curt Melcher, Deputy Director, Department of Fish and Wildlife  
**4:47:25 PM** {Exhibit} 9: Melcher  
**4:49:01 PM** Chair Cannon  
**4:49:06 PM** Vice-Chair Smith J.  
**4:49:42 PM** Neuman  
**4:50:26 PM** Vice-Chair Smith J.  
**4:51:13 PM** Neuman  
**4:52:39 PM** Rep. Jenson

**4:53:02 PM** Vice-Chair Gilliam  
**4:53:28 PM** Neuman  
**4:55:45 PM** Vice-Chair Gilliam  
**4:56:07 PM** Neuman  
**4:56:40 PM** Vice-Chair Gilliam  
**4:57:08 PM** Paul  
**4:57:16 PM** Melcher  
**4:58:18 PM** Chair Cannon  
**4:59:22 PM** John DeVoe, Waterwatch Oregon  
**5:01:09 PM** {Exhibit} 10: DeVoe  
**5:05:40 PM** Tom Wolfe, Trout Unlimited  
**5:07:40 PM** Tom Smoot, President, Association of Northwest Steelheaders  
**5:07:42 PM** {Exhibit} 11: Smoot  
**5:09:18 PM** Chair Cannon  
**5:09:42 PM** David Moscovitz, Native Fish Society  
**5:10:04 PM** {Exhibit} 12: Moskowitz  
**5:13:42 PM** Bill Kluting, Carpenters Industrial Council  
**5:15:11 PM** Chair Cannon  
**5:15:30 PM** {Exhibit} 13: Cannon  
**5:15:33 PM** {Exhibit} 14: Cannon  
**5:15:35 PM** {Exhibit} 15: Cannon  
**5:15:37 PM** {Exhibit} 16: Cannon  
**5:16:19 PM** Rep. Jenson  
**5:16:53 PM** Chair Cannon  
**5:16:57 PM** Meeting Adjourned

---

**HEW**

**2/17/2009 3:01:36 PM**

- 3:02:56 PM** {Exhibit} 1: Water Issues in Umatilla Basin, Umatilla Critical Ground Water Area Investigation PowerPoint, Barry Norris, 7 pp
- 3:27:57 PM** {Exhibit} 2: Water Issues in Umatilla Basin, Umatilla Basin Water Coalition written testimony, Dennis Doherty, 2 pp
- 3:28:18 PM** {Exhibit} 3: Water Issues in Umatilla Basin, written testimony, William Quaempts, 2 pp
- 3:46:53 PM** {Exhibit} 4: HB 2406, written testimony, M. Steven Eldrige, 3 pp
- 3:53:53 PM** {Exhibit} 5: HB 2406, written testimony, John DiLorenzo, 8 pp
- 3:54:43 PM** {Exhibit} 6: HB 2406, Resource Book, John DiLorenzo, 176 pp
- 4:29:53 PM** {Exhibit} 7: HB 2406, The Columbia River: Context for Discussion, written testimony, Janet Neuman, 4 pp
- 4:44:11 PM** {Exhibit} 8: HB 2406, written testimony, Tom Paul, 4 pp
- 4:47:25 PM** {Exhibit} 9: HB 2406, written testimony, Curt Melcher, 2 pp
- 5:01:09 PM** {Exhibit} 10: HB 2406, WaterWatch opposes HB 2406 written testimony, John DeVoe, 3 pp
- 5:07:42 PM** {Exhibit} 11: HB 2406, letter from Douglas Hunt, Tom Smoot, 1 p
- 5:10:04 PM** {Exhibit} 12: HB 2406, written testimony of Bill Bakke, David Moskowitz, 1 p
- 5:15:30 PM** {Exhibit} 13: HB 2406, letter from Mike Carrier, Governor's Office, staff, 1 p
- 5:15:33 PM** {Exhibit} 14: HB 2406, letter from Oregon Wheat Growers, staff, 2 pp
- 5:15:35 PM** {Exhibit} 15: HB 2406, letter from League of Women Voters, staff, 1 p
- 5:15:37 PM** {Exhibit} 16: HB 2406, letter from Oregon Cattlemen's Association, staff, 1 p
-