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I'm writing in support of revised groundwater allocation rules. For decades, Oregon's existing rules for issuing new groundwater permits have resulted in an over-issuance of groundwater permits, and have caused major groundwater level declines state-wide that harms rivers, streams, lakes, and wetlands. The new rules will result in more sustainable management of groundwater, ensure better protection of stream flows for the benefit of all aquatic species, those who enjoy recreation in them, and an overall healthier ecosystem. As the population of OR continues to grow, and the effects of climate change are felt ever more drastically, it is more important than ever for the state to stop over-issuing groundwater permits. I look forward to the adoption of the proposed rules for a healthier aquatic ecosystem for myself, my family, and the other species that depend on it.

Thank you,

Brian von Dedenroth