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Dear Oregon Water,

Please adopt the Oregon Water Resources Department's new rules to help protect groundwater from overuse.

Accelerating climate change and over-allocation of water resources has led to unsustainable decreases in water supply. This has led to dry wells, higher pumping costs, instability for existing users, and lower water quality. The proposed rules are science-based, data-driven, and consistent with the original intentions of the 1955 Groundwater Management Act.

Sustainable management of the state's groundwater is going to become increasingly critical as the climate continues to change. Please adopt these rules to help protect this essential resource for Oregonians for generations to come.

Sincerely,

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