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RE: DEQ Water Quality Revisions

To Andrea Matzke,

I am writing this letter in support of the newly revised water quality standards recently proposed by the DEQ.

As an outdoor enthusiast, fly-fisher, and lover of wildlife I was pleased to see the newly proposed standards, however I am familiar with the pressures you are faced with from the private sector, namely those that discharge bi-products into our waterways (sometimes with a permit and sometimes not) and I strongly urge you to adopt the new standards with a few recommendations.

1. Incorporate all common or current use pesticides, NOT just legacy pesticides into the new proposed standards
2. Create an enforceable standard with clear and complete compliance guidelines. This will prevent (or at least) discourage private industries from taking legal issue against the DEQ for enforcing water quality standards
3. Despite the complexities of enforcing such a standard, I truly believe that the DEQ should include storm water runoff into the proposed standards.

Many thanks for your time and I commend you for taking this bold step to the enhancement of our water quality in the state of Oregon.

With kind regards
Shawn Donnille

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