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The Water, Wildlife and Fisheries Subcommittee on the United States House of Representatives Natural Resources Committee ("Subcommittee") held a March 8th hearing titled:

Benefits and Access: The Necessity for Multiple Use of Water Resources ("Hearing")

Congressman Bruce Westerman from the Fourth District of Arkansas chairs the full Committee.

The Subcommittee's Chairman (Cliff Bentz of Oregon) described the *Hearing* as:

... an oversight hearing on the necessity of multiple uses of American water resources.

Issues that the Subcommittee Chairman identified include:

- Failure to identify and address barriers to water storage
- Diverting water from farmers without measurable benefit to fish
- The selection of critically correct rather than biologically appropriate science
- Failure to incorporate peer review private data regarding fish populations into agency analysis

The witnesses included:

[Mr. Scott Corwin](#)

Executive Director

Northwest Public Power Association

Vancouver, WA

[Ms. Martha Guyas](#)

Southeast Fisheries Policy Director

American Sportfishing Association

Tallahassee, FL

[Mr. Dan Keppen](#)

Executive Director

Family Farm Alliance

Klamath Falls, OR

[Ms. Amy Cordalis](#)

Legal Counsel

Yorok Tribe

Klamath, CA

Co-Founder

Ridges to Riffles Indigenous Conservation Group

Sacramento, CA

Links to the witnesses' prepared statement can be found above.