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Oregon Water Partnership Supports Appointment of Ivan Gall as Director of Oregon Water Resources Department

Salem, Oregon — Oregon Water Partnership (OWP) supports Governor Kotek's nomination of Ivan Gall as the Oregon Water Resources Department's next director.

Mr. Gall has extensive knowledge and experience with the water challenges facing Oregon, as well as the technical skills and policy know-how to hit the ground running — our changing climate means there is no time to lose.

Mr. Gall has demonstrated the pragmatism needed to modernize the state's approach to water management and build toward a secure water future for our ecosystems, communities, and economies. Oregon Water Partnership agrees with Governor Kotek that Mr. Gall's expertise and track record demonstrate he is "ready to take this charge head on."

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Oregon Water Partnership represents seven statewide conservation groups that work together to ensure abundant, cold, clean water to sustain our communities, livelihoods, and ecosystems. Our members include the Environmental Defense Fund, Oregon Environmental Council, Sustainable Northwest, The Nature Conservancy in Oregon, Trout Unlimited, WaterWatch of Oregon, and Wild Salmon Center. More at <u>https://oregonwaterpartnership.org</u>.