

## Watts Remy

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**Sent:** Tuesday, April 2, 2019 10:42 AM  
**To:** SENR Exhibits  
**Cc:** Sen Roblan  
**Subject:** in support of SB926

Chair Dembrow and members of the Committee,

I am the Netarts liaison between my community and the timber company whose land surrounds us. I've had people report to me that they've been sprayed and learned after the fact that the spring from which they get their well water was sprayed. I'm writing to urge you to stop aerial spray on State Lands, something that's been banned on Federal Public lands.

Even as reports about the dangers of glyphosate are in the news, it continues to rain down on people from helicopters. No one knows the dangers toxic cocktails of chemicals have on the health of people and all living things, especially given the fact that aerial spray can drift up to four miles. Yet, I've had representatives deny all the scientific literature on these dangers. This is reason enough to protect us through SB926.

However, I also believe we need this legislation as the attitude of timber companies is callous, self-serving, and can't be trusted.

A case in point:

Last year, the timber company surrounding Netarts planned to cut and spray around Fall Creek which is our water source.

For months, I stayed in frequent contact with our water master and my contact in charge of spraying at the timber company.

I also arranged with DEQ to test our water following the spray.

The result was that the timber company left larger buffers around Fall Creek, rocked the road to avoid runoff, backpack sprayed, and conducted their own testing following the spray. Despite this, I was disturbed by something I heard afterward.

A friend told me that the man in charge of the entire timber operation said his company took these extra precautions because "a woman in Netarts complained." A county commissioner then told me that the company made a big public deal of how they had worked with the community.

The fact is there was no outreach from the company to the community.

Would they have aerial sprayed had I not remained vigilant?

The fact that they want to take credit for outreach suggests they know that truth is dangerous to their bottom line.

Please help these companies to do the right thing and make SB926 law.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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