

Dear Chair Witt and Committee Members:

Classifying our vegetation-munching state animal as a predator is an embarrassment to Oregon and allowing the undocumented killing of an ecological keystone species on private land in Oregon is scientifically indefensible. Beavers need to be reclassified so that they are conserved like every other important wildlife species in the state.

Thank you for considering my comments.

Respectfully,

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