

Beavers are not predators. They are a positive force in nature. They help capture moisture on the land and reduce wildfire danger. They improve water quality and stream temperature, and provided carbon capture and salmon habitat. Man nearly exterminated them in a desire for hats and coats. We owe them a chance to return to the habitat we took from them. And how can Oregon's animal symbol be hunted as if it were a danger to civilization? This is a wrong that needs to be righted.