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FROM: The Oregon Chapter of Backcountry Hunters and Anglers
TO: The House Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources
SUBJECT: In Support of HB3152

Chair Witt and committee members,

The Oregon Chapter of Backcountry Hunters and Anglers (ORBHA) is writing in **strong support of HB3152.**

The spread of wildlife disease and propagation of invasive species represents no small threat to the ecologies that that make Oregon life what it is.

We support HB3152 on the basis that it enables our State Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) to implement wildlife check stations for the purposes of preventing the spread of biologically hazardous material and the possible harm to wildlife or impede wildlife management efforts.

Rapid detection of contagious diseases like chronic wasting disease (CWD) and hemorrhagic disease will help the State Department of Fish and Wildlife detect and prevent the spread of diseases which threaten Oregon's wildlife and even human populations. A proposition that, in a post-covid world, we can all agree would be prudent to say the least.

On behalf of the ORBHA Board and our membership, thank you for your time and consideration.

With Gratitude,
the Oregon Chapter Board of Backcountry Hunters and Anglers

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