

Oregon House Committee on Revenue Chair Nancy Nathanson and Members of the Committee

While publishing a video equating clear-cut harvesting to natural disasters (<https://oregonforests.org/forest-fact-break-clearcutting>), why fund this typical Oregon Forest Resources Institute (OFRI) narrative with Oregon revenue? Oregonians already know about and decry the destruction of rural homes, neighborhoods, towns and forests. Revenue is better spent on relief from these growing losses, accelerated by environmental disasters, not advocating for the optional profit-driven destruction at the same time. Fighting forest fires is costly, physically debilitating and dangerous. It should not be prioritized over and above the easier fight: First say no to wanton destructive voracious harvesting on short harvest cycles that consumes Oregon's natural resource assets. Save Oregon's forest environment while ending OFRI propaganda. Kindly consider the essential revenue savings embodied in HB 2357 A.