

Submitter: NW Coastal Range

On Behalf
Of:

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Water

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Hate to deflate your legislative bubble, but in Oregon especially in the Willamette Valley or anywhere west of the Cascades there is no such thing as a "bone dry ton". Back to science class for the legislature, with the rain and the humidity in western Oregon biomass is never going to produce a "bone dry ton" of any sort. All bio mass contains some moisture, and usually takes a year or more to attain some semblance 'of dry' to burn biomass fuels. Guess that is why the moisture meter was invented so buyers and sellers of bio mass could gauge the percentage of moisture that is optimal for burning.

Off to your scientific advisors would be recommended, because what may be considered as "bone dry ton" to one seller/buyer may not be considered "bone dry ton" to another..