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I support HB 3159. The Oregon Conservation and Nearshore Strategy are the most effective tools for recovering Oregon's vulnerable species. However, these programs have been under-funded and under-resourced and do not meet the ever-growing challenges plaguing fish, wildlife and habitat. The Oregon legislature needs to prioritize wildlife conservation before it's too late. Even with this increase in the TLT, Oregon would still have the fourth-lowest state TLT in the country. However, the benefits for our state's mammals, birds, fish, amphibians, pollinators and their habitats would be substantial and life changing.