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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Climate, Energy, and Environment

Measure: HB3464

I ask you to oppose HB3464. As a farmer along the Pudding River, there is no shortage of beaver, or the damage they do. In the past two years, they have mowed down a block of six inch diameter apple trees on my neighbor's property. To classify beaver as non-predator would be nuts if you actually witnessed the damage they do. Beaver have taken out many of my young filbert trees along the Pudding. Please do not hamstring Oregon agriculture with one more regulation that will prevent us from handling pest problems. None of us want to obliterate beavers. None of us wants to have to make the extra effort to eliminate a beaver. It's not fun, it's not for sport, it steals time from our lives, we do as little damage control as possible. Leave the language the way it is, and say no to HB3464.