

Submitter: Linda Wallace

On Behalf
Of:

Committee: House Committee On Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, and
Water

Measure: HB3086

I oppose HB 3086.

I strongly feel the Oregon State Fish and Wildlife Commission should remain as is, appointments based on our state's six designated Congressional districts that represent our diverse population and interests.

Changing the current framework of the Fish & Wildlife Commission selections to river basin management area representatives could leave out many public interests; for example, not everyone in Oregon is a hunter or fisherman. Many Oregonians appreciate our public wildlife for other reasons, such as photography, camping, or just experiencing the beauty of wildlife. These Oregonians deserve a voice, as well.

From HB 3086 text - "the commission shall provide for the productive and sustainable utilization of wildlife resources for all groups of users."

In conclusion, we should stay with the Commission representatives being appointed based on Congressional districts, therefore being a voice from constituents throughout the entire state.

Please vote "NO" on HB 3086.