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Measure: HB4133

I have forest ground in south Morrow County that pays the ODF fire tax. Our ODF fire tax increase from 20220 to 2023 was an increase of 36% for Forest classification and 77% for Range classification. This increase was done with no input from Citizens or land owners. This increase is a hardship for us. Net timbers revenue to landowner currently is in the negative range for most timber classes and grazing value has remained the same. The state should get all stake holders involved in the ODF fire budget and assessment process. I support HB 4133.

Joe McElligott