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

Water

Measure: HB4106

Given the language of the O&C Act, voting for the passage of House Bill 4106 couldn't be any more of a no-brainer. At minimum, the harvesting of timber on federally-managed lands is absolutely essential for the mitigation of catastrophic wildfires, and the economic benefits of wealth preservation are very real. https://crsreports.congress.gov/product/pdf/R/R45688

"Neither the railroad nor the federal government had acted in good faith toward O&C counties, so in 1937 Congress passed new legislation regarding the county payments. The O&C Act (PL 75-405) instituted a sustainable-yield harvests on the O&C and CBWR lands and to bolster the county repayment and programs." http://web.stanford.edu/group/spatialhistory/FollowTheMoney//pages/O_C.html