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From the desk of Representative Ken Helm, H-490

**Conservation groups support House Bill 2978  
to promote wildlife corridors and protect wildlife connectivity**

Conservation groups applaud the strong bipartisan sponsorship of House Bill 2978 and appreciate the bill's unanimous (one excused) passage from the House Committee on Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, and Water.

House Bill 2978 will help improve Oregon's Wildlife Corridor Action Plan and Wildlife-Vehicle Collision Reduction Program through updated guidance, collaboration, trainings, and coordination on new transportation projects, resulting in increased road safety for the traveling public and wildlife.

Wildlife-vehicle collisions cost Oregonian's over \$100 million each year and result in numerous wildlife and human injuries and fatalities each year. Wildlife crossings have proven to be over 90% effective at reducing wildlife-vehicle collisions. The notable benefits that House Bill 2978 provides have led to support from a broad coalition of conservation groups.

Please help continue these success stories for wildlife and people on our roads! The organizations and groups below urge support of House Bill 2978.

