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Three generations of my family live in Oregon, and we all cherish the astonishing beauty to be found here - managed for sustainability and productivity long before Europeans showed up on the scene. That work continues.

The wealth of information that the Oregon Flora project creates, records, and shares is crucial to the work of keeping this state beautiful and making its landscapes, and its people, healthy as its climate changes. It is part of the essential "intellectual infrastructure" that underpins much of the physical work we need to do.

That alone is justification for passage of HB 3173. But I would like to add that it is an enormous guide to, and source of, beauty. Which is also essential if we are to survive and thrive.

Thank you for considering, and I urge, supporting, HB 3173  
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