Submitter: Cheryl Nelson

On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Agriculture, Land Use, Natural

Resources, and Water

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To the House Committee on Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources and Water: I'm a landowner and I have stewarded 10 acres of forest land adjacent to Althouse Creek in Southern Oregon since 1981. I testify that my support for beavers is founded upon my observations of their historical role in restoring much of the aquatic habitat following heavy mining operations in the watershed. I have also witnessed the remediation of former agriculture (cow pasture) land to a sustainable, more drought tolerant and fire-adapted landscape.

Thank you for your consideration, Cheryl Nelson Cave Junction, OR 97523 hilltoppersquild@ymail.com