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On Behalf Of:

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

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2978

Dear Co-Chair Helm and Owens, Vice-Chair McDonald, and Members of the Committee:

I agree with the boilerplate testimony that follows.

In my own words... Viewing the deer and elk makes my life better. Everybody likes to watch the big game. We need these crossings to make sure they stay healthy. Otherwise they're not going to be around anymore to enjoy. I drive this section a lot. It makes me sick to see the dead deer on this section of highway. Wildlife crossings are a win win. Good for the humans. Good for the wildlife. Good for getting you re-elected. Completely support the use of my tax dollars for this purpose. Please expedite.

Thank you for your service to Oregonians and your concern for land use! I strongly support HB 2978 and encourage you to move this bill forward.

Wildlife crossings are highly effective and Oregon needs more crossing structures. HB 2978 and an option for permanent state-level funding to support wildlife crossing initiatives will:

Improve safety on Oregon's roadways

Enable wildlife to follow their ancient migration routes

Make Oregon more competitive in capturing federal funding

Please work to pass HB 2978.

Sincerely,

Doug Perrin