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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Housing and Homelessness

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2422

Hello Chair Marsh, Vice-Chairs Andersen and Breese-Iverson, and Committee Members:

Greetings from snowy Bend!

I am writing in today to ask you to oppose HB 2422. Here's what I don't like about this bill:

Promotes Sprawl & Weakens Land Use Protections – No thank you to allow counties to bypass existing land use laws and enable case-by-case upzoning of rural lands along with the potential to double rural land density?

Limits Public Involvement – Oregon's land use planning process is intentionally inclusive. This bill would make it easier for rich landowners to push through zoning changes without broader community input.

Threatens Resources & Infrastructure – Oregon's land use system ensures development happens where infrastructure, transportation, and services already exist which is a good thing. HB 2422 disregards these safeguards, risks a strain on resources and causes harm to farms, forests, and water supplies.

I thank you for your consideration! With so many priorities in front of us, I hope you will protect Oregon's rural lands and quickly reject HB 2422.

Sincerely,

Kathy Hanavan