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For too long, the Conservation Strategy has lacked the necessary resources and funds

to fully implement the recommended conservation actions.

? HB 2977, "1% for Wildlife" proposes increasing the state transient lodging tax from 1.5%

to 2.5%, to combat the biodiversity crisis, by investing in the conservation and recovery

of Oregon's most vulnerable wildlife and habitat. This would generate approximately \$30

million a year for proactive wildlife and habitat conservation.

? This is a bold, yet cost-effective solution that would help recover our state's most vulnerable fish and wildlife