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I had the privilege of advocating for sound forest policy before the Oregon Legislature and the Oregon Board of Forestry for more than two decades.

From that vantage point, this bill seems to me to be a reasonable and responsible approach to managing Oregon's state forests in the years ahead. A balanced forest management plan that protects public resources through adherence to the Oregon Forest Practices Act and other measures, coupled with harvest levels sufficient to generate both needed revenue for counties and other local governments and jobs for local manufacturers, is a win-win. And I believe this bill would provide just that.

Thank you for considering my views on this bill.