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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Agriculture, Land Use, Natural

Resources, and Water

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HB3103

I urge you to reject House Bill 3103. This bill would force the Department of Forestry to log our public forests at reckless and unsustainable levels.

I expect my elected officials to stand up for our environment and protect our public forests. This bill is written to benefit timber companies, not the public interest. Do not cave to the demands of timber executives seeking bigger profits.

The State Forest HCP was developed with years of public input, and the courts have upheld Oregon's right to manage these forests for multiple benefits (County of Linn v. State of Oregon).

Oregon's state forests are meant to serve all of us. Now is the time to make it clear that these lands must be managed for clean water, wildlife, recreation, and future generations—not just logging.

Please reject HB 3103.