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

We need large diameter trees with thick bark to resist fire. Trees cause rain keeping our forests moist and resistant to fire.

Oregonians expect their leaders to stand up for our environment, 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.

Say no to tree farm mentality, we are better than that. Please reject HB 3103.