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As a retired Federal forester, I support the State HCP which balances extraction and resource protection. It is vital that the State of Oregon continue to lead this effort.

Determining sustainable levels of harvest not only includes State lands but the private holdings surrounding the State forests. In most cases, the industrial lands are defined by large clear cuts which provide little in the way of habitat for a range of plant, bird and animal species. This is the reason I oppose clear cutting without significant retention islands on State lands bordering private holdings.

Please protect vital habitat for a multitude of species over a simple calculation of how much a certain level of State land can support in sustaining clear cuts.

Thank you for your consideration of the multitude of species who cannot write on their own behalf.

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