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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Agriculture, Land Use, Natural  
Resources, and Water

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3103

Dear Co-Chairs Helm and Owens, and Members of the Committee,

I am writing today in opposition of House Bill 3103 and its amendments. This timber industry bill undermines the Western Oregon state forest habitat conservation plan and would result in more clearcuts, more lawsuits, less habitat for salmon and wildlife, and less carbon storage. It would also imperil key drinking water sources. The wildlife in Oregon is threatened by these drastic changes to the environment, and it's our responsibility to be good stewards of the land we have the great privilege of occupying. The health of our communities depends upon creating protections for our forest habitat to maintain a clean and beautiful environment for the next generation.

I urge you to oppose this bill. Instead, I encourage this committee to focus on measures that would increase carbon storage in our state forests and safeguard our public resources for current and future generations.

Please do not let this bill pass out of committee. Protect our forests, not financial interests.

Sincerely, Rosemary Lee.