

Submitter: Randall Henderson

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 to express my opposition to House Bill 3103 and its amendments. This bill prioritizes timber production over other uses including clean drinking water, habitat protection, recreation, and carbon storage. It furthermore undermines the state forest habitat conservation plan and would result in more clearcuts and lawsuits.

It is my understanding that members of the Clatsop County Commission regularly communicate their pro-timber agenda to the legislature. These commissioners do not represent me or many of the residents of the county, and in contrast to what they might say, I am urging you to oppose this bill. Instead, please consider focusing on measures that would increase carbon storage in our state forests and safeguard our public resources for our children and future generations.

Please don't let this bill pass out of committee.

Sincerely,

Randall Henderson