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On Behalf Of:

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

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3103

I strongly oppose House Bill 3103! I support maintaining forest health and protecting Oregon's mature forests. The timber industry has renewed attacks on our state forests, including all the progress already made on protecting clean water, habitat for wildlife like Marbled Murrelet and Northern Spotted Owl as well as endangered salmon. This bill would also threaten safe drinking water for the half-million residents who rely on state forest watersheds. Let's not do that.

HB 3103 would undermine protections for Oregon's state forests by putting clearcuts above fish, wildlife, clean water, recreation and other values that many Oregonian's like me cherish in our state forests. This includes halting implementation of the state forest Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) that we have fought so hard for. Please vote NO on HB 3103.