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Our Forests need proactive stewardship.

Thinning, including commercial thinning has proven time and again to prevent and reduce the occurrence of high-severity/intensity wildfires in our forests.

While many forests in western Oregon seem wet, they are not immune from wildfire.

In the past 30 years, fire has caused more loss of old growth than logging or any other disturbance.

Our Timber Communities have seen great losses due to environmental regulations that were misdirected, creating much of the wildfire problems we see today.

For the reasons stated above and many more, Please approve HB 3103.