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HB3587

As Conservation Chair of Salem Audubon Society I am writing in support of HB 3587 to help protect rocky coastal habitats. Rocky coastal habitats are vital to marine ecosytems and coastal economies. They support a wealth of marine life, including fish, crab, shellfish, marine mammals, and large numbers of birds. They are beloved by Oregonians, who throng places such as Haystack Rock up and down the coast. However, coastal habitats are threatened by climate change and development. Passing this bill would ensure coordination among agencies to manage these rocky habitats and establish a grants program to support community stewardship of these sites. I urge you to support it.