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On Behalf Of:

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When reading the opposition to this measure it is evident there are many misleading or assumed ideas about this bill that are simply not true. This bill will not increase logging and it will not mandate clear cutting our forests. This bill simple requires Oregon Department of Forestry to set SUSTAINABLE harvest levels of timber and to actually follow through and do it. It would create transparency and predictability in managing our State forests. This is a plan based on economic and environmental priorities. Passage of this bill would ensure timber dependent communities, loggers and forest operators can rely on state timber sales long term and not just on a year to year plan.

Please look passed the rhetoric from the opposition, which is based on emotion and not fact and support this bill!