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On Behalf Of:

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

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3587

Dear Co-chair Helm, Co-chair Owens, and Committee Members,

As a north coast resident, I ask that you please support HB 3587 regarding coastal rocky habitats. By doing so, you will support marine plant and wildlife biodiversity, rural coastal economies, and increase Oregon's resilience to a changing climate.

Oregon's rocky habitats, like Haystack Rock near my home, are outdoor tourism and learning destinations for millions of visitors. They are also incredibly important for millions of nesting birds, marine mammals, fish and invertebrates. Increasing climate impacts and human disturbance are threatening these special places. HB 3587 would provide needed agency coordination to better protect these sites. It also would set up a grant fund for local communities to engage the public on best practices to enjoy these places while minimizing disturbance to sensitive wildlife and habitats.

With the passage of HB 3587, we can ensure rocky habitats can be conserved for generations to come. Thank you.

Sincerely,  
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