

Hello,

My name is Marla and I live in Portland Oregon. As a resident of Oregon for almost three years, I have grown to love the amazing landscapes and environments of our state. I am passionate about preserving both the environment and the creatures that live in it and share these spaces with us humans.

I frequently travel long distances by car and am saddened to see the impact that our roadways have on the native animals when I see roadkill. I studied biology in undergrad and have a degree in animal studies. I understand that the direct impact our actions have on natural processes can be detrimental and if there are actions that we can take to mitigate our impact then these actions need to be taken.

Animal crossings need to be an essential part of major roadway plannings, as our actions directly impact the animal species ranges of habitat.

I ask that this bill be passed in order to care for our environment and animal species which we share our land with and love dearly. Our land will be enriched by continuing to honor our relationship with nature and this bill is one way to do so.

I am in support of this bill.

-Marla Strong