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On Behalf Of:
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To the members of the Joint Committee On Transportation:

Having spent much of my professional career working on issues related to conservation of native fish and wildlife species (for the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife and for the City of Portland; I am now retired), I have been aware of the negative impacts of our transportation systems on those species and their habitats. House Bill 3362 (Tire Pollution Reduction) offers an opportunity to address some of these issues. Specifically, it would help reduce the negative impacts on fish and water quality, AND fund important wildlife crossings, which would not only help wildlife, but improve public safety. There are scientific studies that demonstrate the direct connection between tires and their impacts on fish and wildlife and their habitats. It only makes sense to have a small tax on many new tires sales to help address these issues. I urge you to pass HB 3362.

Respectfully,

Claire Puchy