Submitter:	Amy Knudsen
On Behalf Of:	
Committee:	Joint Committee On Transportation
Measure, Appointment or Topic:	HB3362

Dear Chair and Members of the Committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of the HB 3362 - Imposes an excise tax on retail sales of tires. My name is Amy Knudsen. I am a resident of Central Oregon, a professional working in the community and raising a family. I am also concerned science educator. Supporting wildlife and the conservation of natural resources is something that needs to be put front and center in the decision making process of how to fund different bills and programs around the state. This Bill represents Oregon's rich and historic values of wilderness, wildness, and responsible stewardship of the natural world by providing a very needed wildlife crossing. This is a crucial step in providing a more connected habitat for many different wildlife species in the area whose population numbers are plummeting due to vehicle collisions and rapid reduction of suitable habitat.

I strongly urge you to support the passing of HB 3362. The passing of this bill would not only provide safer road travel for locals and tourists, but for so many species of wildlife that live in the region.

Thank you again for your time. Sincerely, Amy Knudsen