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As a board member of The Dalles Riverfront Trail, Inc, I have been a close observer of the creeks and estuaries along our community trail and note the contributions of beavers to the health of these waterways. There is no question as to the positive contribution of beavers to healthier watersheds. HB3932 is an essential step toward protecting the incredibly efficient and effective efforts of a species that has the credential of millions of years of living in harmony with our watersheds. I strongly support passage of HB3932.

Beavers afford a multitude of longterm benefits if they are protected in their natural habitat.