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Hello, I am writing in support of HB3932.

I was on our local watershed committee for several years and I learned so much about the watersheds in my region. And while human efforts to restore the health of watersheds or individual streams or rivers can make a huge difference in ecosystem health, I have seen that our human capacity to understand and repair waterways is not as good in many cases as beavers doing what they do to bring ailing waterways back to health, from barely a trickle of water in a ditch to a thriving ecosystem with abundant water and all the other forms of life that make a watershed whole.

Our local 501C3 that oversees the Rogue River system in Jackson County, Rogue Riverkeeper, has done a great job keeping members and residents informed about the work needed to protect our rivers and streams here and they know about the absolutely amazing value of having beavers protected to do their good work in making ailing tributaries thrive again.

Our state animal needs your support to do its work. Let us come together to protect them.

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