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I've worked on beaver projects in eastern Oregon and know the difference they can make in restoring damaged streams. While they can cause damage at times, there are ways to work with beavers rather than eliminate them. Beaver dams help prevent flooding, help retain water in the water table and allow riparian areas to reestablish themselves. A terrific example is the restored riparian area on Bridge Creek near Mitchell, OR along the road to Painted Hills. This is a good and reasonable bill.