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RE: Please support HB 3932 to protect beavers that are doing the work of improving water quality and watershed health and creating wildlife habitat

Dear Chair Lively, Vice-Chair Gamba, Vice-Chair Levy, and Members of the House Committee on Climate, Energy, and Environment,

I enthusiastically support and urge you to vote yes on HB 3932 to protect Oregon's state animal and support the work of this invaluable animal that improves water quality and watershed health, stores carbon, increases salmon, trout, bird, and other wildlife habitat, and helps reduce the impacts of climate change. We don't need to pay agencies or bring in engineers or other private contractors to save our impaired waterways; we just need to protect beavers from trapping and other hunting in these areas and provide education and resources to improve the co-existence between people and beavers.

HB 3932 should be an easy yes vote. Thank you.

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