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On Behalf Of:

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Natural Resources

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I am writing to urge you to support full funding for the Private Forest Accord so that it can continue to provide protections for our natural environment. We need that protection from clearcuts, and need protection for our forests, fish, and wildlife. It couldn't be more true, now more than ever, that we depend on Nature as much as it depends on us. We need to be good stewards of our earth and this is a local way in which to help do this. A key part of the agreement calls for the state of Oregon to get a federally approved Habitat Conservation Plan across more than 10 million acres of private forestlands, and I am in support of you pursuing this.