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Timber tax increase would financially hurt the small woodland owner. If an Oregonian spends 30-40 years caring and culturing a stand of trees for lumber harvest should be entitled to the net profit. Not have the state ding Oregonians on every tax burden under the sun.

Trees are a renewable resource, just like everything on earth, trees live for a specified number of years, not forever.

Trees rot from the inside out, meaning the core begins to rot first. Unbeknownst to anyone the tree become a danger of splintering and falling.

Besides what harvestable value does a tree have if its half rotten and lying on the forest floor? NONE

The rotten tree will be left to create fuel in the case of a wildfire event. Or much energy and time will be spent to relocate the rotten tree in a slash pile to be burnt at the final cleanup of the forest floor before replanting.