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Support the maintenance and reintroduction of beaver in numerous Oregon watersheds where in compatible with other land uses they will accelerate or restore natural riparian functions of reducing erosion, retaining sediment, restoring water tables, extending downstream flows and enhancing riparian and in stream habitat for numerous species. This is in keeping with the recognition that the build up of much of our recent bottomland and floodplain soils were beaver driven since the end of the last ice age approximately 10 to 12,000 years ago.