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Please vote YES for this modest but very important increase in Oregon's statewide transient lodging tax. Oregon having a tax rate 2.5% would make us continue to have one of the lowest in the United States.

A warming climate and the weakening of federal regulations have made protecting wildlife, especially endangered species, more important than ever.

Visitors to Oregon come here to enjoy our natural beauty and wildlife. Hopefully the bill they pay describes what the tax supports. Visitors are likely to feel good about contributing to programs that protect them.

Thank you for increasing this protection by voting YES.

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