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I support making April Oregon's Native Plant Appreciation Month for many reasons, including:

Native plants support healthy, productive and beautiful ecosystems across Oregon's 9 unique ecoregions.

Native plants are resilient to climate change, help protect developed and natural landscapes from storms, floods and fires.

Native plants are important to indigenous people for food, craft, culture and medicine.

Native plants provide great economic value to Oregonians through lumber, food, gardening, landscaping and more.

Our native plants show off the best of Oregon and deserve special recognition! From the coast to the mountains, from the canyons to the high desert, Oregon's unique flora demonstrate the diversity and resilience of this state.