My name is Scott Parker. I am a native Oregonian. My parents have held forest lands in Oregon for over 65 years, during which we, as a family, were intimately involved in the nurture of healthy forests. This includes all aspects, from planting to harvest and everything in between.

The hope and intention of my late father was that our tree farms would remain forested in perpetuity and become a treasured heritage to his heirs. SB 485-A will be key to assuring that these objectives can be met without imposing a financial burden that could otherwise threaten the future of our lands.

Thank you for your consideration of family tree farmers by proposing the changes inherent in SB 485A. Your vote in favor of this legislation is much appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

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