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On Behalf Of: Friends of Cascade-Siskiyou National Monument  
Committee: Joint Committee On Transportation Reinvestment  
Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2025

To the Joint Committee on Transportation Reinvestment,

On behalf of Friends of Cascade-Siskiyou National Monument (FCSNM), I write in strong support of HB 2025 and its inclusion of \$5 million per year for wildlife crossings.

The Cascade-Siskiyou National Monument was established to protect biodiversity, and vehicle-wildlife collisions remain a serious threat to both ecological health and public safety. As an organization focused on education, stewardship, and advocacy, we've seen growing support from our community for infrastructure that allows wildlife to move safely across roads.

FCSNM is a supporter of the Southern Oregon Wildlife Crossings Coalition and welcomes the state's leadership in investing in long-term, science-based solutions. Projects like the planned I-5 wildlife overpass near the Monument show the power of collaboration and the need for consistent state funding.

We urge the committee to maintain the wildlife connectivity provision in HB 2025 and thank you for supporting a safer, more connected Oregon.

Sincerely,  
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