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As a native Oregonian, I realize the importance of protecting our native wildlife. When our kids were growing up, we lived in Hillsboro, next to McKay Creek. They got to witness the joy of watching beaver create dams, and how it would affect the creek. We then moved to Banks, and our grandkids got to grow up surrounded by Doug Fir, Cedars, Alders, big leaf Maples and Oregon white oaks. Red tail hawks, eagles, Stellar and scrub jays, woodpeckers (even a Pileated once), sharp shinned hawks, Towhees, Grosbeaks, Varied Thrush, and even a Great Horned Owl. We saw quail, rabbits, raccoons, nutria, coyotes, deer, and once a black bear. If we don't take more opportunities to protect our wildlife, future generations won't have the opportunity to witness the magic of Oregon wildlife!