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On Behalf Of:
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I support advancing SB 1545. As a resident in the very rural north part of Lake County I am acutely aware of the benefits that public land access regularly provides. I believe this bill sufficiently addresses potential trespassing concerns upon private lands which landowners might have, as well as liability concerns of both landowners & the public land users. I am puzzled by the opposition voiced by the Crook County Board of Commissioners, a point of view seemingly of their own as a review of county commission agendas & minutes going back to October reveal no discussion or public comment about. From the outside looking in, it appears that any motivation for opposition by this public governing board has been kept out of the public view and, if so, that's a big red flag. In conclusion I support advancement & passage of this bill, supporting the views of legislators Breese-Iverson, Owens, Reschke, McLane, Broadman & others.