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Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB4113

Greetings Chair Marsh, Vice-Chairs Breese Iverson and Andersen, and Committee members:

I've followed our land use decisions since becoming an Oregonian 48 years ago. I'm concerned about how we create and treat destination resorts and I've stayed at some.

But what's at stake in HB 4113 is contrary to our Oregon spirit. Giving advantage to private interest isn't our way. Let's haul back and not support 4113. Poor policy and bad precedent. Not our way.

HB 4113 would allow a county to site up to 960 units of housing on up to 250 acres outside a UGB somewhere in the state, including on farm and forest land.

This bill contains several concerning elements.

The development would be exempt from compliance with Oregon land use law, including all of the statewide land use planning Goals, and it provides for no public participation in the county siting/approval process.

The county sprawl the bill would allow is likely to violate one or more of Goal 1 (Citizen Involvement), Goal 2 (Land Use Planning), Goal 3 (Agricultural Lands), Goal 4 (Forestlands), Goal 11 (Public Facilities and Services), and Goal