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On Behalf Of:
Committee: House Committee On Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, and Water
Measure, Appointment or HB4105
Topic:

Dear Chair and committee members,

I write to oppose HB4105. The wise management of our state forests is. priority for me. Living in Portland, I often drive to fish and recreate in the Tillamook area, and have been dismayed by the amount clear cutting that occurs there. It is not simply an eyesore, but anyone who frequented the area of the Wilson River in past years knows how the clear cuts near the north fork muddied up the river, dumping silt and debris in what should be a clear stream. Hike up Saddle Mountain and notice the coastal forest is now vastly clear cut.

This bill would allow for more destruction of forests and would further the practice of turning our state forests into industrial agriculture lands, and rob Oregonians of healthy ecosystems in order for lumber companies to take profits.