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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, and Water

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB4105

Dear Co-Chairs, Vice Chair, and Members of the Committee,

I say NO to House Bill 4105. The "timber above all other land uses" attitude is decades out of date. And for a good reason--it harkens back to clearcuts, lawsuits, and degraded habitat for our native species and poor water quality for our human residents.

If we have a Department of Forestry, and we do, there are already procedures for determining harvest goals. This is a waste of state money.

I urge you to oppose this bill. Please spend more time increasing not decreasing carbon storage on our state forests.

Please don't let this bill pass out of committee.