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

I write to advocate for the best practices of groundwater retention, carbon sequestration, habitat enhancement and other natural benefits when considering timber harvest on state forestland. Watershed protection should be a priority. Erosion prevention must be a factor. The climate benefits of mature and/or mixed species forests must be recognized and accounted for. Oregon's legacy of disregarding the many benefits of mature multispecies forestlands should be an embarrassment to anyone charged with the stewardship of our publicly owned natural resources. I urge you to act responsibly with future generations front of mind.