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On Behalf Of:

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

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB4105

I beg you to reject HB 4105. As one who lived and raised a family in the "industrial forest" of the Central Oregon Coast Range from 1976 - 2015, I have witnessed the destruction of 90% of the native forests that once surrounded our family home. The anadromous creek that flowed through our property and filled with spawning salmon, has been destroyed by landslides that were caused by clearcuts and associated logging roadbuilding. I oppose House Bill 4105 and its amendments. This bill would prioritize clearcutting Oregon forests over other critical values such as clean drinking water, clean air, wildlife habitat and outdoor recreation. Our state forests are worth more standing — it is unacceptable to prioritize timber harvest over all the other values these forests offer.

Please do the right thing for the health and future of Oregon's forests and end the destructive practice of placing timber harvest above the countless benefits of healthy forests.

Reject HB 4105! Please!

Susanna DeFazio