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On Behalf Of:

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

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB4105

I oppose HB 4105 for a number of reasons. First, it is unnecessary as the State Forester already sets sustainable harvest levels and revenue from state forests are expected to increase over the next 10 years. Another reason I oppose this bill is because Oregon State Forests belong to all Oregonians, not just the timber industry. These forests are crucial habitat for salmon and many endangered species. And finally, I oppose this bill because it elevates logging over other values. Logging would become more important than having clean water and air, fish and wildlife habitat, carbon storage and recreation. I and many other Oregonians value clean air and water and wildlife habitat over logging. Please listen to the majority of Oregonians and oppose HB 4105.