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

Dear Co-Chairs Helm and Owens and Members of the Committee,

I oppose House Bill 4105.

One of the most important features that make Oregon special is its forests. I strongly believe that it is essential to protect public lands, salmon and wildlife habitat, and safe drinking water for the half-million Oregonians who rely on state forest watersheds.

This timber industry bill undermines the state forest Habitat Conservation Plan and would result in more lawsuits, less habitat for salmon and wildlife, more clearcuts and pesticide spraying that harm drinking water, and less carbon storage.

I urge you to oppose this bill. Instead, I encourage this committee to focus on measures that would increase carbon storage in our state forests and safeguard our public resources for our children and future generations.

Sincerely,