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To: ODF_DL_Board of Forestry
Subject: Please vote yes on the State Forest Habitat Conservation Plan
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Dear Members of the Oregon Board of Forestry,

With the recent and ongoing wildfires, I am very alarmed with the misinformation spreading about logging being the solution to our wildfire "problem". In fact it seems that, the techniques the logging industry are promoting exacerbate wildfires. This is why I am writing to encourage you to vote yes on the State Forest Habitat Conservation Plan without giving further consideration to logging interests. I appreciate that this balanced approach values our state forests for carbon sequestration and fighting climate change as well as preserving habitat, recreation, and clean drinking water, rather than prioritizing logging above all else.

As a recreational user of our beautiful forests, I value their multiple non-economic uses, such as providing us with places to exercise, rejuvenate and don't forget about clean healthy water and air. In fact our forests are also an awesome carbon sink, drawing down carbon and storing it in the ground in a time when humans are pumping ever more carbon into the atmosphere. If we want to have a hope of a livable future, our forests must be preserved and expanded.

Please vote yes on the State Forest Habitat Conservation Plan to protect our state forests for future generations.

Thank you,

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