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To: ODF_DL_Board of Forestry
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To Whom it May Concern,
I strongly urge the Board of Forestry to advance the Western Oregon Forests Habitat Conservation Plan. I support durable habitat protections for imperiled species such as salmon, steelhead, Marbled Murrelets and Spotted Owls and a Habitat Conservation Plan is the best way to accomplish this objective. Conservation is my number one concern as an Oregonian, as a voter, and as someone who is in the field of Botany. My future job prospects are dependent on having habitat conserved for the long term. I believe that the Habitat Conservation Plan is the best way forward to achieve multiple values including species conservation, clean water, recreation and sustainable predictable harvest. These goals not only benefit plants and animals, but also benefit humans. Some of these human benefits include responsible resource allocation for the future, healthier areas to live and recreate, a positive impact on mental health, and building more resilient communities in the face of climate change. I thank ODF for their work on this plan and strongly urge them to complete this work. Please finalize the administrative draft of the HCP and move on to the NEPA process.

Thank you for your time,
-Cara Kildall