From: Maurice Yoder
To: ODF_DL_Board of Forestry
Subject: Worried about our state's economy
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Dear Members Board of Forestry,

Why are you trying to open up our forests to more catastrophic fire danger? This makes no sense to me. You have all but destroyed our once great industry, first because of the spotted owl fiasco, but now to let more of our natural resources burn. Let us do a sustainable harvest in these forests, so we can control forest fire through sensible forest management practices. Let us put people in this Board of Forestry who know how to manage our forests, not some politician whose only concern is to keep their jobs, by ruining our jobs. I am tired of bureaucracies ruining our states natural resources, and causing more and more jobless citizens. These were good paying jobs that are being replaced by low wage jobs. I am sick of this crap.

That's why I'm writing to ask that you protect Oregon's forest industry and 60,000 family-wage jobs Oregonians need now more than ever.
Why would the Board of Forestry even consider a state Habitat Conservation Plan that does not reflect any concern or understanding of rural county's financial condition or needs?

Please remember the mill workers who count on fiber from state forests. Please remember that rural communities in western Oregon rely upon the revenues from timber harvests to fund schools, libraries and other critical services. Please do the right thing.

Let's manage our forests with our children and grandchildren in mind - making sure our forests and the communities nearby will be healthy and thriving decades from now.

Sincerely,

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