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

I LIVE IN COOS COUNTY WHICH IS A TIMBER DEPENDENT COUNTY. YOU FOLKS WILL LET THIS TIMBER BURN BEFORE YOU WILL LET US HARVEST THIS FOR THE SCHOOLS, CITIES AND COUNTIES. IF YOU DO THIS THEN YOUNEED TO CHANGE YOUR NAME FROM BOARD OF FORESTRY TO BOARD OF RUINING THE ECONOMY IN OREGON. YOU WILL ALSO WHEN YOU BURN THIS TIMBER UP BECAUSE YOU WILL NOT FIGHT THE FIRE BUT, ALSO DESTROY THE ANIMAL LIFE. RON MASON

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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