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**Sent:** Friday, May 26, 2017 12:58 PM  
**To:** NELSON Jenna A \* ODF  
**Subject:** Public comment for the June 7, 2017 Board of Forestry Meeting

Hello Jenna,

Please share this with the staff and board of directors. I would appreciate a response as well. Thank you.

Hello ODF staff and Board,

I have been confused for a long time over your mission 'to provide greatest permanent value' and your continual use of the Industrial forestry model of clear cutting/plantation forestry. Would you please illustrate how clear cutting and plantations are sustainable and permanent over time environmentally, economically and or socially? If Industrial forestry actually represented greatest permanent value, then why would every timber forested community be struggling and depressed? Why are there no thriving forest communities benefiting from your 'greatest permanent value'?

For reference in Lane County in the 1970's and 1980's over 70% of the employment in the county was forestry/wood products based. Today it is 3 – 4 %. Hardly representing greatest permanent value, quite the contrary.

Industrial forestry represents the greatest short term value at the expense of everything long term including the environmental, economic and social cohesion of rural communities.

So please tell me how Industrial forestry is anything but externalities and unintended consequences that last for generations who are impoverished by your short term greed.

Thank you,  
Craig Patterson