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Senate Committee on Rural Communities and Economic Development

RE: SB1575

Please do not move forward.

Chairman-Senator Roblan, Vice-Chairman-Senator Baertschiger, committee members-Senator Burdick, Senator Close, and Senator Prozanski:

Our statewide land use system protects Oregon forest lands for the purpose of assuring the continuous growing and harvesting of trees. The primary processing of raw logs is currently conditionally permitted in forest and mixed farm and forest zones. SB1575 would establish a conflicting new use by allowing outright permanent secondary wood manufacturing plants in forest and mixed farm and forest zones to the detriment of timber management. SB1575 does not minimize the negative impact of a secondary processing facility by restricting the raw logs to those grown upon the parcel of land where the processing facility is located or by limiting the physical size of the operation. SB1575 is a bill in response to a specific LUBA case (<http://www.oregon.gov/LUBA/docs/Opinions/2013/09-13/12094.pdf>). SB1575 goes well beyond that LUBA case and broadly opens the door for any secondary wood processing. SB1575 is not needed as there are other areas designated for manufacturing that can accommodate the needs of log home manufacturing.

I urge you not to move this bill forward. Thank you for allowing me to comment on this bill.

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