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Please submit my testimony for Public Hearing 2/17/15 of House Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee in favor of HB 2050 and HB 2181:

Dear House Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources:

I favor HB 2050 and HB 2181 because I believe the people of the counties of Oregon are better able, by their wisdom and vote, to determine what level of protection they need from cougars, than the state of Oregon. The law of no use of dogs for cougar hunting should be able to be overruled by Oregon county voters. Counties need the power of choice when it comes to cougar control. I live in rural Josephine County and in my neighborhood there have been periods of time when cougars have been observed several times in monthly periods. There appears to be competition for territory. This normally means too many cougars in the district. I myself have heard the scream of a cougar near our house and the rumbling purr of cougar kittens under our deck. Needless to say I did not go out to take their picture.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

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