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To: House Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources

From: Tim Colahan, ODAA Executive Director

Re: HJM 11

Oregon needs a long-term solution for management of BLM O&C forest lands. With the impending loss of federal Secure Rural School Funding, many Western Oregon counties are facing a looming fiscal cliff. The result will be deep cuts in county public safety services, including jails, patrol and law enforcement services.

District Attorneys in these counties have seen reductions in staff and have had to triage crimes in order to decide what they can afford to prosecute. The result has been more victims and less accountability.

These counties need a stable revenue source that will protect county services and provides a stable wood supply for timber revenues. Allowing counties to be able fund essential county services makes sense.

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