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House Committee on Energy and Economy Network, I am in support of the Safe Water Act of 2019, HB 2656. This bill prohibits clear cutting , spraying of chemicals and fertilizers and construction of new logging roads on forest lands. These practices degrade clean water sources with sediments and thermal pollution and elevate the risks of wildfires, flooding, and landslides.

Our drinking water sheds must be more resilient to climate change and less susceptible to water shortages and toxic algae blooms. Long term studies have shown a 50% decline in water from heavily logged watersheds during dry months.

Please pass protect our land and fisheries by passing HB 2656.

Thank you,
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