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From: Carol Lemley <carollemley@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, April 2, 2019 3:57 PM
To: SENR Exhibits
Subject: Please support SB931

Chair Dembrow and members of the Environment and Natural Resources Committee,

I am writing you to plead your support of SB931 to protect the health and safety of the people of Oregon. Having made the north Oregon Coast my home for more than 20 years, I made the heartbreaking decision to move away due to the increasing toxicity of local watersheds and forest due to aerial spraying of pesticides/herbicides. The current regulations which only require a year's notice to people living near the affected areas is unconscionable and offers no real protection to human health.

SB931 asks for a 24-48 window of notice to people living near areas to be sprayed and it seems to me that this is a minimum notice to enable people to know not only what is being sprayed in the area, but to have sufficient notice to move their families, children and animals out of harm's way.

In addition, SB931 rightfully requires that companies report what chemicals were actually sprayed. New scientific information comes to light all the time about the toxicity of the chemicals sprayed from helicopters, and drifting into school yards and residential areas, and poisoning watersheds.

The people of Oregon urgently require your support of SB931.

Sadly, my family and I made the decision to move away from the Oregon Coast to avoid aerial sprayed poisoning. My heart aches for those still living near commercially harvested and sprayed areas.

Sincerely,
Carol Lemley