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Oregon House Committee on Energy and the Environment,

Re: SB 926 & SB 931

Dear Committee Members,

We are writing to urge you to support SB 926 and SB 931 in order to protect the safety of the health and safety.

We have the good fortune to enjoy life in the small coastal community of Oceanside. It is the quintessential Oregon rural community, close-knit, supportive and we believe, good stewards of our land, sea and its flora and fauna.

However, the health of our community's sole water supply is under threat with the clear cut planned by Stimson Lumber along Short Creek. The creek is in a vulnerable steep canyon that already regularly closes in heavy rains right now while fully forested. Under current regulations, Stimson has the right to clear cut close to the creek, and use any number of chemicals and herbicides including Round-Up, linked to Parkinson's disease (OPB report 3/15/19). We understand they intend to do just that.

What protections do we have as residents and citizens to safe drinking water?

Isn't this is the role of government, to ensure the safety and welfare of it citizens?

We also support the economic health of the community and the state, which the forest industry is integral. When we first came to Oregon, we were shocked at the logging methods. We have come to understand that the forest industry and foresters care for and love this wonderful land as much as we do. We support their right to log and manage their forests, however, these rights must include the protection, health and safety of the watersheds and the citizens who rely on them.

There is a balance to be struck. Protection and management serves all Oregonians, and SB 926 and SB 931 are essential to achieving both.

With respect and appreciation,

Alice Wiewel and Wim Wiewel