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Hello, I live and work on our 1000 plus acres in NE Oregon.

We have raised cattle, horses, chickens and pigs. We also have timber ground and do some harvest.

We are all completely supportive of banning M44s in our fine State.

I remember learning about the M44s, which indiscriminately kill and maim all kinds of wildlife and domestic animals and pets, when I was in 7th grade, many decades ago.

I was horrified then and I cannot fathom why they are still legal.

Even though predators are a nuisance in many ways, they are also a fundamental part of any healthy ecosystem and we are dedicated to this concept. Good science and common sense do not support use of indiscriminate killing of predators. We know that when coyotes in particular are under duress from poisoning and hunting, they have larger litters in response. Many of the people who live on the land ---- and make a living off of the land, that I know here in the rural part of Oregon, are of like mind.

Additionally, to kill ANYTHING this way is unspeakable and simply unethical. If you have never watched a dog or other animal die from this kind of poisoning----you must see it with your own eyes if you are in any way thinking of supporting the future use of this barbaric weapon.

The ONLY people that support this kind of violence and poisoning are some of the Feds in the ridiculously named 'wildlife services' and a few old school ranchers. The wildlife of this State belongs to us all. Do NOT pander to a tiny minority and risk our livestock, pets, kids and basic morality to this outrage.

Thank you, Peter Barry