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To: Sen Dembrow
Cc: SENR Exhibits
Subject: Support for HB 2469A

Dear Chair Dembrow and Committee Members,

We urge your support for HB2469A to allow a second dwelling on forestlands within rural fire protection districts and near the existing dwelling for family use.

Small woodland owners contribute greatly to Oregon's environment, forest health and timber economy. Many small woodland ownerships have been owned by families for generations.

As senior family members age, succession planning is a key element to keep the land in family forest. Allowing younger family members to build a second dwelling and be involved in daily management is a sound objective.

This bill is patterned after similar regulations for agriculture land and is a proven way to encourage on-going family ownership.

HB2469A is a sensible measure that will encourage keeping rural lands and open spaces in forestry use. We urge your support.

Sincerely,
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