

I'm am writing in support of HB 2357 on behalf of 350 oregon central coast of which I am the chair.
As important as it is to educated our citizenry concerning our forests, OFRI doesn't fulfill this obligation and has become merely a propaganda tool for the big timber industry. The information they deliver is skewed in favor of big timber interests and not necessarily the health and well being of our forests and the population that lives within them.
Apparently the board is filled with representatives of big timber and does not provide a balanced overview. Without the representation of indigenous, environmental groups and local tree farmers it is a farce and needsto be dissolved and/or reorganized in order to provide a more fair and accurate accounting of our forests.
Thank you for you consideration of this important matter.
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