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On Behalf
Of:

Committee: House Committee On Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, and
Water

Measure: HB3019

To: House Committee on Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, and Water

From: Cheryl Conway
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Re: HB3019 Support

Date: 2/7/23

Dear Committee Members,

Thank you for your work in making Oregon a great place to live and for providing this opportunity for me to express my support of HB3019 to make the state even better for its citizens. Our forests are such a cornerstone to the livability of our communities and educating all of us about our forests is of critical importance. However, this education must be fact-based without bias toward corporate logging.

I cannot stress enough that it is OFRI members' actions themselves that have resulted in this much needed call for oversight and for expanded membership to include non-forest industry related members. HB3019 does not interfere with the educational purpose of OFRI, nor does it abolish the institution. It merely addresses the concerns expressed by outside auditors. Taxpayer money should never be used to discredit reputable scientists and mislead the public.

Please approve HB3019.

Thank you.