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Water

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SINCE MOVING TO BEND IN 1989, I HAVE SEEN AN ALARMING DECREASE IN NUMBERS OF DEER, WHICH I ATTRIBUTE TO THEM MIGRATING FROM THE MOUNTAINS ACROSS HIGHWAY 20 TO OUR AREA, WHICH HAS ALWAYS BEEN THEIR PATTERN AND MEANS OF SURVIVAL.

DUE TO THE INCREASE OF TRAFFIC BECAUSE OF OUR EXPLODING POPULATION AND TO THE NUMBERS OF PERSONS WHO CHOOSE TO SPEED, THE DEER HAVE NO CHANCE. MANY OF US HERE NO LONGER APPLY FOR HUNTING TAGS BECAUSE THERE ARE NO MORE DEER LEFT. WE USED TO FREQUENTLY SEE HERDS OF THEM IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD AS WELL AS OCCASIONAL ELK BUT NO MORE. AS THE TRAFFIC INCREASES, THE NUMBERS OF DEER DECREASE, IT'S THAT SIMPLE.

PLEASE SUPPORT HB 2999 FOR EVERYONE'S SAKE.