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On Behalf Of: Portland Raging Grannies

Committee: Senate Committee On Natural Resources

Measure: SB530

Link to Williamette River song - https://youtu.be/azx-WC3EARs This is our video testimony

Thank you for the opportunity to testify today in support of SB 530, which will help maximize carbon sequestration and improve the resilience of Oregon's forests, agricultural lands, wetlands, and natural resource economies.

I am proud to be part of a broad coalition of non-profit organizations, local elected officials, farmers, ranchers, and forest landowners across Oregon who are eager to see the legislature advance Natural Climate Solutions and pass SB 530 this session.

By investing in Natural Climate Solutions, SB 530 will both help address climate change and make our natural resource economy more resilient in the face of everworsening climate impacts.

The conditions on the Williamette River, a Superfund site continuing for 6 miles along the banks through Portland, remind us that protecting the soil and water by using natural climate solutions would have been a way to prevent the disastrous condition of the Williamette. And pollution and degradation continues to come down river from agricultural and industrial source that demand a new management system.

Please support SB 530. Thank you, Joana for the Portland Raging Grannies