

Submitter: NW Coast Range

On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Natural Resources

Measure: SB899

Strongly oppose SB 899 the \$480,000 could be used for groups and businesses that actually remove and dispose of invasive species. Spending \$480,000 to a group to run a invasive species hotline probably no rural person has even heard of and support staff for the board members seems like a waste (Seven generations of Oregonians and have never heard of this legislative appointment of Oregon Invasive Species Council).

This counsel is not making any progress to stop Scotch Broom in this county and only became an issue to guillotine Scotch Broom on private property about 10 years ago to kill it. Scotch Broom has rampantly spread in the NW Coast Range, and English Ivy is also becoming a serious problem that will cause tree rot and possibly danger trees. Apply the money to action, not the discussion of invasive species.