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On Behalf Of: Self

Committee: Joint Committee On Transportation

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We own 100 acres situated along Haynes Inlet of the Coos Bay Estuary. We have lived along the estuary for more than 35 years. We have diligently managed our property in a responsible manner: when we logged 6 acres of our property we exceeded the requirements of the Oregon Department of Forestry and left 10 times the number of reserve trees that were required by ODF; in partnership with the Southwest Oregon Airport we restored 14 acres of our pasture land to salt marsh and tidelands to benefit threatened Coho salmon and hundred of other listed and unlisted wildlife and fish species in accordance with Coos County, Oregon (DSL, DEQ, ODFW) and federal (NOAA, COE, USFWS) regulations so that the Airport could build an extension to their taxiway to better serve our community; we seasonally graze livestock (land is leased to Messerle Brothers and Company) in a responsible manner following Oregon Department of Agriculture guidelines; we have aggressively protected very significant cultural resources on our property, working with the Confederated Tribes of the Coos, Umpqua and Lower Siuslaw Indians and the State Historic Preservation Office; and we grow blueberries here, because we love them.

In ALL of our activities we have always followed local, state and federal regulations (including provisions of the Coos Bay Estuary Management Plan) and have been able to accomplish much.

While we have been neutral on the proposals for a container facility and wind power facility, we are simply outraged that some are proposing to give others the authority to by pass provisions in the Coos Bay Estuary Management Plan, and any other regulations. Not only could this possibly adversely affect some of our projects and resources on our property, but it is a terrible precedent. If you can't follow Oregon and Coos County laws and regulations, then perhaps the project is a bad one.

Thank you for considering our testimony. Respectfully, Larry and Sylvia Mangan