Submitter: Hillary Tiefer

On Behalf

Of:

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

Water

Measure: HB3086

Dear Committee,

I hope that the State of Oregon still values its land, forests, and wildlife and also still believes in allowing its citizens to make decisions about their state. I continue to hope that Oregon makes humane decisions not motivated by profit and power. HB 3086 aims to restructure the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission so that it is less representative of the public at large and instead represented by those residing in river basin areas, which would place decisions about wildlife and the environment in the hands of hunting interests, agriculture, and industry. Their interests have traditionally been against respecting and protecting wildlife and the environment. They are of course short-sighted. No one in the future benefits from the unchecked killing of wildlife and the indiscriminate cutting of trees. In early history people came to this land replete with forests and animals and what we will inevitably see is a concrete and polluted land instead, where many species have gone extinct. This impulse needs to be checked by the residents of the state. Taking away the voice of the people is becoming too common a practice in this country generally.

Please vote NO on HB 3086.

Sincerely,

Hillary Tiefer