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House Committee on Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, and Water
RE: HB 3181

Chair Helm, Vice-chairs Hartman and Owens, Members of the Committee,

The Oregon Hunters Association (OHA) is Oregon's largest state-centric hunter conservation organization, representing 10,000 sportsmen and women throughout 26 chapters in the state. Our mission statement is 'to protect Oregon's wildlife, habitat, and hunting heritage' and we have a strong history of advocating for science-based wildlife management.

OHA supports HB 3181 as it reflects the collaborative planning efforts that have been taking place for the last few years. As the state moves forward with renewable energy siting, a balance that must be sought between clean energy goals and the needs of Oregon's fish and wildlife habitat. HB 3181 provides for a collaborative approach to reaching these mutual goals in a thoughtful manner.

As previously submitted, OHA is opposed to HB 3179, including the additional amendments, as it runs counter to the more collaborative and sustainable approach sought in HB 3181.

OHA supports HB 3181 and urges the committee's support as well.

Thank you,
Amy Patrick
Policy Director