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Beavers are a key natural climate solution. This keystone species helps slow waterways, maintaining wet stream-side habitats. Studies have shown beavers help make habitat more resilient in the face of climate-driven wildfires and drought. Despite this clear science, beavers are still classified as "predatory" animals in Oregon, and regulated not by the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife which makes no sense. Beavers were reintroduced into the Colorado Eco-system and proved to be a benefit to many species.

Please move their regulation to the Oregon Fish and Wildlife dept.

Thank you, Thomas Brown