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On Behalf Of:
Committee: Joint Committee On Ways and Means
Measure: SB5506

Dear Legislators,

Please support full funding of \$20 million for SB 530, the Natural Climate Solutions bill!

This is an important step towards creating an economically sustainable approach to removing legacy greenhouse gases from our atmosphere while supporting farmers, ranchers, coastal forestry operators and the communities they sustain.

We have been dumping carbon dioxide and methane into our atmosphere since the industrial revolution and the level of this pollution is reaching a tipping point that may make it impossible to pull back from, leaving our successors, our children, and our grandchildren with a world that we wouldn't want to admit leaving to them.

Our State is facing many challenges, from homelessness, to substance abuse, to drought and wildfires, just to name a few, but nothing will compare with the havoc that cascading climate crises will dump on everyone in Oregon if we don't begin to act right now and make smart investments in smart, community supported climate solutions.

Thank you for your service to our State,

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