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On Behalf Of:
Committee: House Committee On Judiciary
Measure: SB1576

Support for SB 1576 A Recreational Immunity Fix

Dear Chair Kropf, Vice-Chairs Anderson and Wallan, and members of the committee,

I own and operate Eastern Wheelworks, an independent mountain bike shop in La Grande, Oregon. Here in Union County we are incredibly lucky to have access to wonderful trails just outside of town in the county-owned Mount Emily Recreation Area. Continued access to these trails is vital for the success of my business and the general health and well being of our community.

This winter we saw access temporarily taken away with one of the reasons given by the county commissioners being the Newport case. So, this issue really hit home for all of us here in La Grande this year.

Recreational immunity should protect the county, their staff, and the volunteers who help maintain the public trail system. I urge you to pass SB 1576 A.

Support the small businesses and communities that depend on recreational land access.

Thank you,
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