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Measure: SB1576

I am writing you today in strong support of Senate Bill 1576A, provisions that would restore recreational immunity protections for public and private land open for recreational opportunities.

The Oregon Public Use of Lands Act encourages public and private landowners to make their land available to the public for recreation by providing landowners immunity from liability. However, the recent Oregon Court of Appeals decision undermined the immunity guaranteed in the Act, which would result in a severe reduction of land available for Oregonians to enjoy.

Recreation is at the core of most Oregon residents. We must protect the right to recreate outdoors without the fear of trains getting closed down for fear of liability to land owners. I strongly support Senate Bill 1576A.