SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Parks and Recreation Department Taylor's Checkerspot Butterfly

To: Ways and Means Full Committee

From: Natural Resources Subcommittee

Carrier: Senator Anderson

On January 28th, the Natural Resources Subcommittee heard a request from the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department for approval to submit a federal grant application.

The Department has a cooperative agreement with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, where the Department is provided access to federal funding designated to the states for conservation activities. The Department is seeking a conservation planning assistance grant, which would pass through to the Institute for Applied Ecology, so they may work with private landowners who have volunteered to introduce the endangered Taylor's checkerspot butterfly on their properties. The subgrantee and its partners will be responsible for any federal match requirements.

The Natural Resources Subcommittee recommends approval of the submission of a federal grant application by the Parks and Recreation Department to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, in the amount of \$241,525, for conservation of the Taylor's checkerspot butterfly.