

To: House Committee on Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, and Water  
Re: HB 3173 (Oregon Flora) - SUPPORT

Dear Committee members:

I am the Stewardship Coordinator for Buford Park Mount Pisgah and I strongly support HB 3173.

Its presentation of plant occurrences from multiple datasets lets me efficiently gather information that will be comprehensive in scope. OregonFlora's standardizing taxonomy assures that my work can be shared and accurately used by others, avoiding duplication of efforts and confusion.

OregonFlora helps me do my job, and helps my organization meet its mission. OregonFlora makes me an informed Oregonian proud to live and learn in a state that values its natural resources.

I urge your support of House Bill 3173 to ensure the resources of OregonFlora can continue to be maintained and developed for users statewide.

Sincerely,

Michaela Blackham