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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, and Water

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3173

I am writing in support of HB 3173, which will establish OregonFlora in statute and secure this extremely valuable resource for Oregonians in the future.

Since I retired I have committed myself to converting the lawn in my yard to native plant beds, and I consult OregonFlora more than once a day during planting season and many other times during the rest of the year. In addition I have made presentations to the Master Gardener Assoc. of Curry County and the Native Plant Society of Oregon's South Coast Chapter on gardening with native plants. I have relied heavily on OregonFLlora to prepare these presentations.

I'm just one person in a remote corner of Oregon doing small work to support the plant life native to Oregon. If I use OregonFLora that much, imagine how much Oregon's botanists, naturalists, biologists, ecologists, restoration professionals, landscapers, garden designers, and Landscape Architects use this resource.

Please, please, please vote to support HB 3173.

Thank you.
Maggie Daly