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In opposition of SB 1051

Please do not allow the State Forester to be appointed by the governor. This is not and should not become a political position.

The State Forester must be a trusted and experienced forester and land manager leading state forest policy in a long-term consistent manner.

The State Board of Forestry is and has been perfectly situated and qualified to appoint the State Forester.

Private forest landowners need a State Forester with technical expertise and consistency leading Oregon forest policy and practices. State owned forest land needs the same.