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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Committee On Ways and Means

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB5006

Dear Co-Chairs Lieber and Sanchez and Members of the Joint Committee on Ways and Means,

I'm writing to express my strong support for state investment in the Salmonberry Trail. This project represents an exciting opportunity to create an 82-mile, safe, and accessible trail connecting the Oregon Coast and the Willamette Valley. I am particularly interested in the possibilities of using the trail for bikepacking. Long-distance trails like this one provide the opportunity for relatively inexpensive and healthy adventures that allow people from Oregon, the Pacific Northwest, and the world to experience the amazing coast-range landscape of Oregon while also contributing tourism dollars to local economies in the towns at the Willamette Valley and North Coast ends of the trail.

As the state considers funding priorities, I urge you to include the Salmonberry Trail. This is a smart, future-focused investment that will serve Oregon for generations to come.

Thank you for your leadership.

Sincerely,
Tamara Wood
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