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Wildfire
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I strongly support HB 3932 for Beaver and Water Quality. This bill would close beaver hunting and trapping in impaired waterways on public lands so beavers can safely do their thing (improve water quality and restore habitat). Today, over 100,000 miles of Oregon's waterways are in poor health due to spiking rates of factors like pollution, sedimentation, and high water temperatures. It's the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality's job to restore them, but that's no easy task, and it can be expensive. Beavers offer an effective, natural solution to supporting the health of waterways across Oregon—and they do it for FREE. All humans have to do is get out of their way.

Please support this wise approach to cleaning up our beautiful waterways.