

This is Kathleen Hynes a consistent Oregon voter. I am writing to express my strong support for HB 4134 and to urge you to vote in its favor.

1. Economic Impact: Supporting wildlife through HB 4134 is a smart business decision. Outdoor recreation is a multi-billion-dollar industry in Oregon, and wildlife is a cornerstone of that sector. Furthermore, because the bill is funded by an increase in the transient lodging tax, the majority of the funding will be provided by visitors rather than Oregon residents.
2. Conservation: This bill invests in conserving and restoring habitat for over 300 vulnerable species. Protecting these resources is essential to keeping Oregon's tourism industry thriving.
3. Stable Funding: Oregon needs to finally stabilize funding for the Department of Fish and Wildlife. HB 4134 provides a long-term solution to ensure the department can fulfill its mission effectively.

At some point Oregon's legislatures will pass HB 4134. If not now, when? If not by you, who? Let's get the job done and support Oregon's economy by supporting its most prized natural resources.