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On Behalf Of:

Committee:

House Committee On Revenue

Measure, Appointment or Topic:

HB4134

I am writing today in support of HB 4134 and its use to support the Oregon High Desert.

Conservation in Oregon's high desert protects a rare, resilient landscape where sagebrush seas, rimrock canyons, and wide-open skies support pronghorn, sage-grouse, and countless other species. By protecting Oregon's high desert also helps sustain wildlife, ranching, and rural communities that depend on these limited resources. Conserving open space preserves Oregon's outdoor heritage—quiet trails, dark night skies, and places where people can hunt, fish, hike, and find solitude. Investing in stewardship today ensures this distinctive region remains vibrant and working for future generations.