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Outdoor recreation is a huge part of the tourism that comes to Oregon, and this measure will help Oregon's 300+ vulnerable species and their habitats. These habitats and species will not only support the critters themselves, but also the many Oregonians who rely on them for recreation, livelihoods, and quality of life. Oregon's wildlife is one of the main draws for me to live here and stay here. They bring beauty and awe, inspire tourism and recreation. Let's give Oregon's habitat and species a chance to continue offering that awe to folks visiting or living here. Outdoor recreation is a \$8 billion industry in Oregon and makes up 2.6% of the state's GDP. It's time for us to invest in our legacy of fish, wildlife, and habitat.