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As a Coos County resident, I'd like to weigh in to say that I am in support of SB 1584. I applaud this innovative approach to protecting, restoring, and expanding critical salmon habitat without increasing an already large taxpayer burden. Allowing landowners to have a vested interest in restoration of salmon habitat while increasing the value of their land is a win-win proposition for everyone - landowners, the state, the local ag community, fishermen, tourism, the local economy, and, most of all, the salmon. It is a streamlined approach that, simply put, makes a whole lot of sense. SB 1584 represents a new future for salmon restoration, creates a positive, progressive and independent path for Oregon in the face of disappearing federal resource dollars, and secures willing landowner cooperation to create permanent, critical salmon habitat.

Thank you for your honest consideration of a positive new approach to restoring habitat for this important fish.