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I've been camping since I was 6y/o, backpacking since 13y/o so I personally value old growth trees, clear cold rivers, wildlife, clear lakes..... I do not like clearcuts or fertilizer, wastewater algal blooms

This bill would secure dedicated, long-term funding for Oregon's most imperiled fish, wildlife, and habitats by modestly increasing the state transient lodging tax.

For East Oregon, this would mean real sustained investment in INVASIVE SPECIES CONTROL, and wildfire resilience, in sagebrush steppe restoration, wildlife connectivity,

Oregon's outdoor recreation and tourism economy depends on healthy lands and waters. The outdoor economy contributes 2.6% of Oregon's GDP, supports 192,000 jobs, and generates \$16 billion in consumer spending.

Oregon cannot have a strong tourism economy without healthy ecosystems. Protecting fish, wildlife, and habitats is not separate from economic vitality—it is foundational to it. Investing in conservation now supports local communities and long-term economic resilience.