SUSTAINABLE FOREST MANAGEMENT
To create family-wage jobs and revitalize rural economies

Highlights:

- **Creates thousands of direct and indirect forest product industry jobs in rural communities** throughout Oregon and will reduce unacceptably high unemployment levels in the State.[1]

- **Establishes a known and certain land base for permanent timber production** ensuring a sustainable level of timber and forest products from federal lands to maintain the local timber industry that supports rural communities in western Oregon.

- **Provides legal certainty for the forest products industry** by setting thresholds for litigation and requiring the Board of Trustees to manage the O&C Trust lands under applicable Federal and State laws.

- **Prohibits raw timber exports and imposes strong penalties on businesses that ship Oregon timber and family-wage jobs overseas** in order to preserve and expand Oregon's manufacturing base.

- **Explicitly preserves and protects all existing and valid rights** of neighboring land owners, including tail hold, road access, and right-of-way agreements.

- **Geographically disperses timber production on the O&C Trust lands** and mandates long and short timber rotation ages to meet the needs and capabilities of mills throughout western Oregon.

- **Expedites land exchanges between the federal government, the O&C Trust lands, and private landowners to create larger contiguous blocks of forested land in western Oregon** and to improve management efficiencies of both federal and private land.

- **Requires the Board of Trustees to consider input from neighboring landowners and industry experts in management decisions** by mandating two positions on the Board be filled by representatives of the Oregon forestry and wood products industry.

- **Protects private property and public safety by requiring the Board of Trustees to aggressively fight forest fires, disease, and infestation.**

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[1] According to the Oregon Department of Employment, 38.3 direct and indirect jobs are created per one million board feet harvested.