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My name is Nancy Mauter, I am a retired Physical therapist and own 14.5 acres of timber property in Linn County.

25 years ago my husband and I bought 14.5 acres that was over-logged and over-grazed. The previous owner was cited for not planting trees to replace the ones he harvested. We planted 6,500 fir and Willamette ponderosa pine. We are managing the brush for fire control and the numerous invasive species. We now have a mixed forest that we are proud of, but our forest is now showing signs of drought stress in some of our trees.

The conditions for managing a healthy forest are changing fast and getting complicated and expensive given how our climate is changing due to the continued burning of fossil fuels.

As a forest owner I am very concerned about the health of my forest as well the Oregon forests that make this state so beautiful.

I am not advocating for a timber harvest ban. I am advocating for every industry, even the forest timber industry to step up and offer solutions to the climate change issue.

Business as usual just isn't an option.

Oregon needs to be part of the solution. Industry needs to be part of the solution. And we need jobs that can't be

outsourced and jobs that contribute to reducing carbon pollution.

I am aware that the big timber industry thinks that if fossil fuels are no longer cheap they can't get the profit they need. The problem is, we all have become addicted to cheap fossil fuels and no one has payed for emitting CO2 pollution as a result of burning fossil fuels. It's become part of the business model to pollute without paying.

But now, our climate is changing, our trees are showing the stress of prolonged hotter summers and warmer winters with insect suppression compromised. We are paying by throwing our children's futures in harms way for profit and lack ingenuity.

We are running out of time and action needs to happen now.

Please help pass SB1530 in its strongest form so that we can get ourselves on good footing with the needs of our future and generations to come.

Thank you for your work on this critical issue.

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