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On Behalf Of:
Committee: House Committee On Housing and Homelessness
Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2400

Dear Chair Marsh, Vice-Chairs Breese-Iverson and Andersen and other committee members,

I am Deschutes County resident asking you to oppose HB 2400.

Allowing second dwellings in exclusive farm use and forest zones would not be good for Oregon's farmland.

I am also very concerned about Central Oregon's mule deer, whose populations have suffered due to habitat loss. Building in sensitive areas would only exacerbate this issue.

Oregon's rural lands are already at high wildfire risk, and more homes in wildfire prone areas would mean more human-caused fires and more people in danger when fires occur. We should build only where it's easier to defend, which within our urban growth boundaries.

I appreciate your time and consideration and hope you will protect Oregon's rural lands and reject HB 2400.

Sincerely,
Dottie Wylie