



Statement of the Oregon Land And Water Alliance (OLAWA) in Opposition to HB 2192.

My name is Paul Lipscomb, and I live in the Cloverdale area outside of Sisters, OR. I am the Vice President of OLAWA, the Oregon Land And Water Alliance. The Oregon Land And Water Alliance is a 501c3 organization, and its purpose is to educate the public to promote and protect the Rule of Law on all local issues relating to land and water use as well as fish and wildlife. I have been authorized to present this testimony in opposition to this bill on behalf of OLAWA.

Simply put, HB 2192 is a wolf in sheep's clothing. House Bill 2192 would, in practice, authorize the replacement of any dilapidated forestland cabin that had ever been erected, even if the passage of time and weather conditions had long ago reduced it to just a pile of rubble.

Worse, it would make these new blanket replacement rights permanent. And permanent not only for forest zoned lands, but also for any and all currently uninhabitable dwellings in exclusive farm zones as well. Significantly, HB 2192 seeks to eliminate the current June 2, 2024 sunset provision for farm zone replacement rights which this legislature established as recently as 2019.

HB 2192's chief proponent, Mr. Hunnicutt, has been a high profile opponent of Oregon's land use laws for many years. As the Treasurer of both Oregonians in Action and the Oregon Property Owners Association, Hunnicutt has a long and storied history of promoting individual property rights at the expense of the public good.

Among other "accomplishments," Mr. Hunnicutt was largely responsible for shepherding both Measure 7 and Measure 37 through the initiative process

years ago. Even a cursory internet search will demonstrate that Mr. Hunnicutt's longstanding methodology has been to promote wide ranging development rights through changes to Oregon's land use laws under the guise of supposedly "common sense" tweaks. And this bill is just more of the same.

Please take a hard look at HB 2192, and at the mischief that is being proposed in yet another attack by Mr. Hunnicutt on Oregon's land use system. And please vote NO on HB 2192.

Thank you for your consideration of our concerns.

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