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Re: The 30 x 30 Termination Act

Dear Rep. Bentz,

Baker County is requesting that you support the "30 x 30 Termination Act" which is being sponsored by Rep. Boebert. It is critical that this Act passes.

Baker County encompasses 51.5% of federally managed lands. The County has already had general forests reduced by 70% leaving only 30% for multiple uses including timber harvest, grazing, mining, and enjoyment of our citizens. If the 30 x 30 program is adopted, it will decimate the already struggling County economy. Simply, the County and its citizens cannot afford to lose any more land use.

On April 7, 2021, Baker County Commissioners signed Resolution 2021-1001, "OPPOSING SECTION 216 OF EXECUTIVE ORDER 14008 TACKLING THE CLIMATE CRISIS AT HOME AND ABROAD" (see attached). The first of the Eastern Oregon Counties to do so, it set off a whirlwind of other counties writing and adopting similar Resolutions.

Please, Rep. Bentz, support Rep. Boebert's Act. It:

- nullifies Section 216 of Executive Order 14008 which contains the 30 x 30 program;
- prohibits federal funds from being spent to carry out the 30 x 30 program;
- ensures no net-loss of non-federal land in counties and states that already contain 15% or more federal land;
- ensures no net-loss of multiple-use activities in states unless such action has been authorized by Federal statute;
- prohibits withdrawing federal lands from mineral development without Congressional approval; and
- prohibits unilateral 30 x 30 designations under the Antiquities Act in counties and states that already contain 15% or more federal land.

Thank you for standing up for the citizens in Eastern Oregon. If you have questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Bill Harvey, Chair
Baker County Commission