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I am opposed to the proposal to lease recreational rights to private concerns. I am a proud veteran, and though I am an Oregon native and back home again, I lived in several different states during my 24 years in the USAF.

In many Eastern states there is little or no public use land for hunting and fishing. If you want to find reasonable quality land to hunt and fish those states, you have to pay for it, and the cost can be very high. So high in fact that an average middle class working person often cannot afford to hunt or fish.

Here in Oregon we have thousands of acres of public land that provide quality outdoor recreation opportunities at low cost for anyone who wished to take advantage of it. Let's keep it that way.

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