

family planning.

This Earth Day, it is imperative to make the population connection — increased access to family planning will lead to solutions for the problems of rapidly dwindling environmental resources such as food, water, housing and clothing materials for mankind.

*Sarah Hafer
Eugene*

LESSONS LEARNED

As a soldier who has recently returned home from Iraq, I too have been seeing the “Support Our Troops” magnets/stickers, and I am honored. It’s not about supporting the troops monetarily or even physically, it’s about supporting us mentally and emotionally — which the veterans of Vietnam didn’t have. The country has learned from this and is now doing everything they can to welcome us home, and to make sure that we know that they care about us.

The cost of war bears a great burden on the country, but that burden isn’t comparable to the one on the soldier. The magnets are a way of reminding the citizens of America that the soldiers, sailors, and marines are also Americans that deserve your support because of what they are, and what they do. Whether you believe in the war or not, they are American citizens who responded to the call of duty that not all good Americans are willing to do. So from a veteran, all of those who unconditionally support the troops, thank you.

*Joshiah Sanders
Oregon Army National Guard
Springfield*

ANOTHER ASSAULT

Right under our noses an assault on public land use is taking place once again with

Senate Bill 1028. It has been concocted to restrict and eliminate access to public lands, greenways and waterways. It will impose fees on recreational non-motorized water craft; inner tubes and bicycles could well be next. Please write to your state representatives and encourage them to vote against this intrusion into our rights as boaters and citizens of Oregon.

*Garrett Campbell
Brownsville*

SAVE THE TREES

Oregonians have a great responsibility to our old-growth forests. So when I hear that the U.S. Forest Service is planning to log 2,000 acres of old-growth and mature forests in the McKenzie River watershed, well, I’m not a happy camper.

Much of Oregon’s beauty is drawn from these lush ancient forests, our clean blue rivers and abundant wildlife. For some, just knowing these amazing jewels of nature are out there is satisfaction enough. But look at it from an economic perspective, and there is no denying that Oregon’s natural attributes draw visitors from across the country and beyond our borders to hike our amazing trails, bike our magnificent mountains, raft our wild rivers and camp in our parks and wilderness.

The logging slated to take place along the McKenzie River would not only affect our natural lands, but it would negatively affect the innkeepers, merchants, restaurateurs and others who rely on tourism to make a living.

Destroying the few ancient forests we have left is reprehensibly irresponsible and a great injustice to future generations. Logging ancient forests is a crime against nature.

This land is our land. We Oregonians must safeguard our majestic trees from the Forest Service’s destructive policies. Write

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