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Bring me the Cascades. Bring that bend  
by The Dalles on the Columbia. Over Sherars  
Bridge show me the salmon. Put some  
sage in the car when we drive to Burns.

### **Want List**

*by William Stafford*

When the snows begin, clean off  
the windshield with a pine branch  
and be sure to carry a thermos of coffee.  
Let the far trees bow low.

Then the sound, the long sigh the wind  
makes when it passes through leaves.  
You stand there waiting for something.  
Then a near tree says, "Yes."

