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Subject: Support for HB 3470

Dear Chair Vega Pederson and Members of the House Energy and Environment Committee,

I am writing in strong support of House Bill 3470, the Climate Stability and Justice Act.

With severe droughts ravaging California, low snow-pack and water restrictions beginning here in Oregon, extreme weather events across the US, catastrophic hurricanes, rising sea levels, ocean acidification/loss of marine life and ecosystems, we are facing not just the greatest threat to life as we know it on earth, but an impending global humanitarian and human rights crisis.

This crisis can fuel water wars and escalating violence against women and children, but it can also unite us.

Every one of us is needed to turn this around. In our families, our neighborhoods, our faith communities, our cities, states, and countries -- all of us are needed.

So this is why we urgently are calling on you to take this legislation forward on our behalf -- so that we in Oregon can do our part, join with others in our region, to create a stronger economy that can move away from deadly fossil fuel dependence, towards climate recovery.

HB 3470 is the most feasible, legal and effective policy option to limit greenhouse gas emissions for Oregon at this time. It very specifically and clearly mandates reductions in greenhouse gas emissions by 2020 through 2050. It would set those greenhouse gas emissions limits based on the best available science. The law sets five year truth checks mandating further reductions if needed. California adopted a similar approach (AB32) in 2006, designed to be joined by other jurisdictions, so Oregon can join an effort with a jurisdiction with a much larger economy, so as to reinforce collective action. Oregon opinion polls show the public is supportive of a carbon cap. California voted support for their law by a 24% margin. I urge you to do all you can to advance HB this legislative session. Please take action to pass HB 3470 out of Committee on April 21st.

Thank you,
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