SB1530 Hearing 2/3/2020

My name is Diana Bailey and I have lived near Roseburg for 24 years. I have been seeing the effects of climate change. On the ranch where I live, the Douglas firs are dying from drought and beetle kill. Where I hike along the N Umpqua River and in the Cascades, I am now often walking through burned areas.

Scientists said that 350 parts per million would be the safe upper limit for carbon in the atmosphere. Last year, we were at 407. The time is here to slow the change by reducing our use of gas, oil and coal, and by increasing practices that draw down carbon from the atmosphere, or at least don't release any more. That would include regenerative agriculture practices, using biochar, planting more trees, and developing more solar, wind and wave energy as sources for our electricity, and yes, electric cars, trucks, mowers and weed eaters. I refer you to Paul Hawken's excellent book "Drawdown" for a clear analysis of these and many more.

These are the sorts of projects that can be undertaken in rural Oregon and receive funding if SB1530 passes. The funds will come from the big greenhouse gas emitters. Obviously these corporations are concerned with profit and usually put that ahead of the pressing need to slow climate change. So we need to make this legislation do the work required.

The economy will change as the climate does, in ways we can

barely foresee. With this bill we have a chance to empower the redirection of our economy and to invest in jobs and lifestyle changes that sustain our planet, our families and our neighbors.

As our schools plan their support for students suffering climate anxiety and climate stress, I'm willing to do what it takes to make progress toward a livable planet for the next generations. I, and many of us in rural Oregon, support a strengthened SB1530 because we need a strong climate bill.

Thank you for all your efforts on our behalves.

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