

What on earth is going on here? I am a 6th generation Oregonian and I have not, in my lifetime, ever been so appalled by the government of the state of Oregon.

No economic impact study completed. Emergency clause used so voters have no voice. 177 pages of amendments at the last minute. 4 bills that look and function the same allowing energy companies to recoup the tax cost from the people who buy energy (Us). An unelected board who will set these taxes and raise them at will with no accountability. Hydro not included in "green" energy? WHAT ARE THE FUTURE IMPLICATIONS OF THIS BILL?

In 2017, the Oregon Global Warming Commission and, in 2019, the Oregon Department of Forestry independently confirmed that Oregon forests produce a net (after harvest) carbon sink of 30 million metric tons each year through annual tree growth. All other sectors in Oregon (including the energy and transportation sectors) generate approximately 64 million metric tons of emissions each year.

This means that when including our forests, the total net statewide carbon footprint is really at 34 million metric tons per year, not the 64 million metric tons quoted, resulting in an emissions level that is only 3 million tons per year short of meeting Oregon's 2035 statewide emission goals.

Oregon's population of 4.6 million is less than 0.01% of the world's population of 7.7 billion, only our current leadership or those waiting to profit from this horrific proposal could think they are saving the world from climate change.

Throw this bill OUT. Don't bring it up again. Find another way to combat environmental issues. Plant some trees. Maintain the forest so it doesn't burn. Just stop with these ridiculous top heavy California ideas like Cap and Trade.

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