



# HB 4077 : Environmental Justice for All

*The Power of Data and Mapping*

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# Overview of HB 4077: Environmental Justice for All

- **Takes the Environmental Justice Task Force (EJTF) into the next stage of its work**
  - Rename the EJTF into the Environmental Justice Council (EJC)
  - Expand membership to broaden representation
  - Bring more state agencies under the jurisdiction of the Council
- **Builds a mapping tool to visualize data and information to help increase understanding between agencies and environmental justice communities**
  - Directs the Environmental Justice Council to develop a process that will engage with communities across the state
  - Work in consultation with the Institute of Natural Resources and the DAS Geospatial Enterprise Office (GEO)
  - Community outreach and engagement with Environmental Justice Council and other interested parties

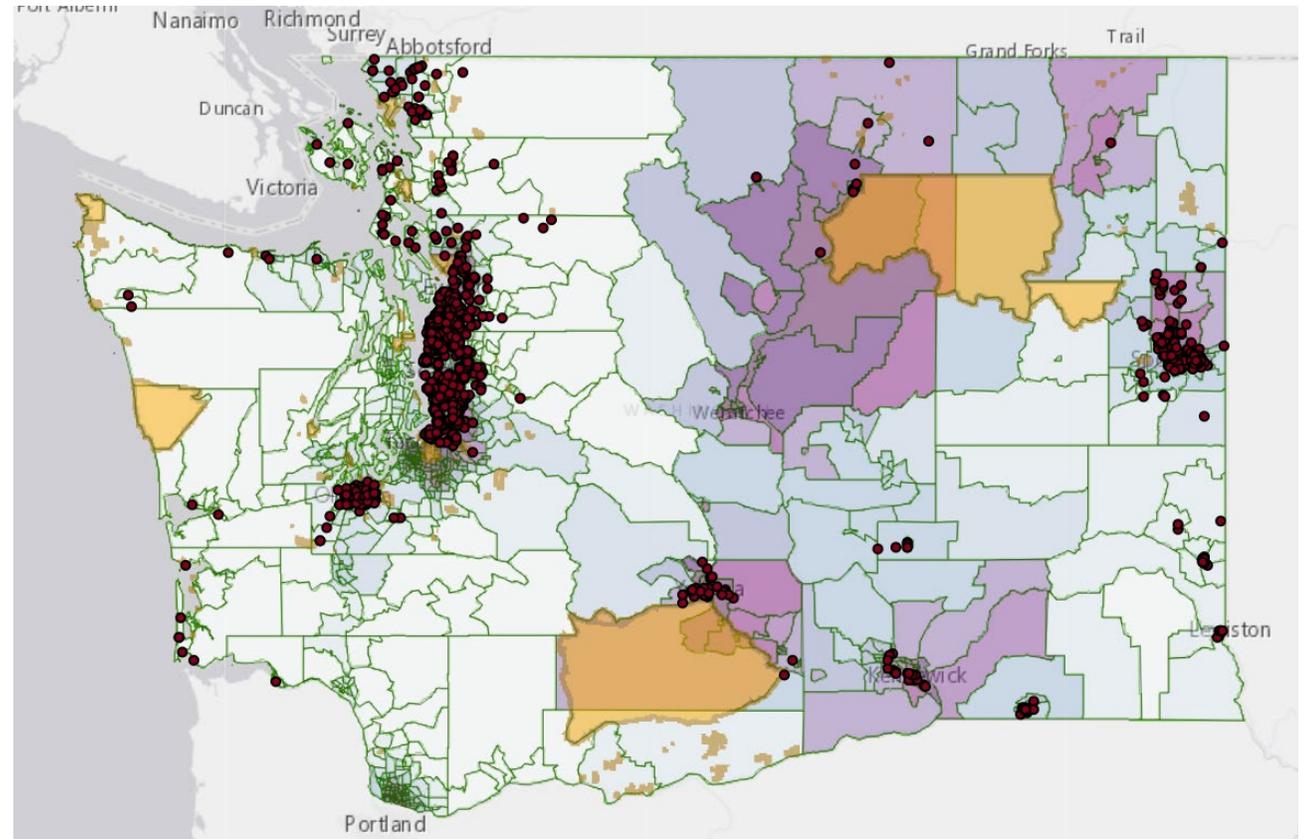


# The Importance of Mapping and Data

- Informs outreach and engagement practices and implement programs
- Built to identify underserved communities and support grant writing and community awareness efforts
- Ensure that investments go directly to frontline communities most affected by poverty and pollution
- Seeks to create equitable recovery for all Oregonians facing challenges created by aging infrastructure, a frayed social safety net, natural disasters

# Washington's Health Disparities Map

- Particulate matter data
- Tribal land boundaries
- Locations of adult care facilities





# Purpose of the EJM Tool

1. Identify and help prioritize communities that need resource investments from state and federal funding
2. Enhance community engagement and outreach in state agency processes

## **Examples:**

- Smoke impacts on people with asthma in wildfire prone areas to prioritize access to filtration devices and health services
- Renewable energy development in areas with low energy access
- Clean Water Revolving fund to allocate funding received from federal government to the communities that need it the most
- Implement planning where food deserts and lack of public transit persist to serve communities with low incomes



# Process to Create the EJM Tool

- EJC will drive the Community Engagement Process to incorporate community input
- EJC will work with DAS-GEO and INR to develop the methodology for data collection and agencies will provide staff support
- INR will collect data and build map on Oregon Explorer platform
- Other agencies will engage to fill gaps in data collection
- Community gives input into the types of data and uses of the tool