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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Climate, Energy, and Environment

Measure: HB3022

I would like to echo Mr. Journet's and his organization of southern Oregonians in voicing my opposition to this bill. This is nothing more than a naked attempt to throw up roadblocks to important climate and environmental action just at the point when it is needed more than ever before. To the extent that DEQ and its governing commission can move quickly to address the climate crisis, it should remain empowered to do so. If the Legislative Assembly does not like an action taken by DEQ, it can pass a clarifying statute modifying or nullifying the offensive rule. But a blanket ban on effective rulemaking for an entire sector of the Oregonian economy is simply bad policy that will lead to increased greenhouse gas emission in the future. I urge the committee members to join me in the principal that not a single vote should be given for any project, program, statute, or candidate that will exacerbate the global climate crisis. Vote no on this bad bill.