

I am writing today to you to outline my deep concerns with Senate bill 4. I was extremely frustrated Monday night 3/6/23 to sit before a committee of representatives that appear to have made up their minds. There is no doubt that having money and jobs on the table is something worth considering.

I am personally offended by this committee's willingness to throw out Oregon's signature land use laws that have been the mainstay of thoughtful urban growth for 50 years. Mr. Park, who addressed the committee on Monday 3/6 outlined his work on Metro for 8 years. Metro carefully listened to all voices and crafted a 50 year plan for growth in 2014. This process took years and thousands of hours of meetings, hearings and efforts at community engagement. I was one of those participants from the early 2000s. This is what democracy looks like - thoughtful, community participation, not giving power to one person (the Governor) who has no ability to be a master of this topic and no ability to hold just, open, public process. SB 4 gives our governor authority to super-site up to 12 sites for semiconductor manufacturing. This would essentially blow up land use laws. Frankly, it is arrogant of this committee to think that you can make decisions about the UGB in the course of a few meetings over eight weeks and have a clear grasp of the complexities and impacts your decisions will have.

There is land in the UGB for these Semiconductor manufacturing sites.

Some examples of land INSIDE UGBs where cities have requested consideration include::

Wilsonville - 700 acres

Corvallis - 400 acres (adjacent to Hewlett-Packard)

Rogue Valley - 538 acres (along I5)

Redmond - 500-700 acres

The City of Hillsboro is lobbying hard for 1,700 acres of RURAL RESERVES outside the UGB to be brought into the UGB without going through any land use process. They have at least 1,000 other acres inside the UGB but they are choosing to reserve it for Amazon warehouses and data server companies instead of semiconductor manufacturing.

There are many sites for semiconductor manufacturing INSIDE cities' UGBs throughout Oregon. These sites are cheaper and faster to develop than productive farmland OUTSIDE UGBs. Please do not blow up Oregon's land use laws for the financial windfall of a few landowners outside a UGB. **Please select sites INSIDE UGBs.**

I implore you to amend SB 4 to use only land in the UGB for semiconductor sites and remove language that gives the governor power to make decisions about land use.

The governor has no expertise in this area, that is why metro council.

Sincerely;

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