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Measure: HB3382

NO NO NO! PLEASE do NOT approve this bill! HB 3382 could do very serious harm to Oregon's long tradition of careful land use planning--particularly in our sensitive coastal environments. If this bill aims to permit the development of a container port in Coos Bay, the language here is unnecessarily overblown and far overextends this purpose. Why make it a generic port bill?! This would open our critical coastal ecosystems to wholesale damage at a time when the state should instead be offering them protection! Our estuaries nurture many of our most favorite species, like salmon, Dungeness crab, herring, oysters, clams, and migratory water birds. They protect water quality, buffer coastal lands from storms, and sequester carbon. This could mean disaster for so many recreational opportunities that are important to both residents and tourists alike. PLEASE do not allow this bill to pass!!! Thank you.