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Water

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Please do not allow HB 2659 to move forward. It will only delay and weaken an excellent program already in place. Last year, over 1,600 Oregonians, businesses, and organizations worked to ensure that Oregon adopted the Climate-Friendly & Equitable Communities program to transform our eight major urban areas in ways that tackle climate change, deliver more affordable housing, address inequity, and provide more convenient ways to get around that don't require a car.

The one thing HB 2659 gets right is that we are in a state of emergency. So let's not delay implementing good solutions any longer. Let's start enacting the thoughtful rules that have already been developed and trust the administrative process to work out the hitches. No need to take minor quibbles over the rules to the legislature.

Thank you for not moving HB 2659 forward.

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