

Submitter: Lyn Larson
On Behalf Of:
Committee: Joint Committee On Transportation
Measure: HB3382

Dear members of the Joint Committee on Transportation,

I am writing to express my opposition to the Port Dredging Exemption Bill, HB 3382. HB 3382 enables major deepwater ports in Oregon to bypass essential land use and environmental regulations for the sake of fast-tracking extensive dredging and channel modification.

We're not living in the 18th, or even 19th boom centuries anymore. We're living in the 21st century of climate collapse! This bill would set a dangerous precedent, jeopardizing the health of some of the most ecologically important and sensitive waterways in our state, just when we're realizing how critical it is that we restore and protect this important ecosystem.. It would also have a negative impact on local coastal economies including oyster aquaculture, crabbing, and fishing. Please vote no on HB 3382.

Thank you for your time and attention to this urgent matter.

Sincerely,

Lyn Larson