



OREGON STATE BUILDING &
CONSTRUCTION TRADES COUNCIL

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Chair Holvey, Vice Chairs Elmer and Sosa, and members of the committee,

My name is Hayley Watson and I am the Political and Special Projects Coordinator for the Oregon State Building and Construction Trades Council (OSBCTC). Thank you for the opportunity to submit written testimony in regards to HB 4080.

The OSBCTC is a statewide umbrella organization comprised of 31 member unions, representing tens of thousands of Union skilled trades workers in a wide array of crafts. OSBCTC's affiliates are leaders in the nation in establishing apprenticeship programs that continue to advance quality workmanship and high performing trades workers. Together, we work for local jobs that provide family-sustaining wages, ample hours, and safe working conditions.

We strongly encourage your support of HB 4080 to establish strong Offshore Wind labor standards and to fund a roadmap that will give communities the chance to give input and receive much needed information on the potential impacts of these projects.

Offshore wind energy projects have the potential to create thousands of family-sustaining careers across Oregon while allowing us to continue diversifying the building and construction industry, grow the region's economy, promote long-term energy security, and improve safety around and across Oregon. Requiring a Project Labor Agreement (PLA) will ensure efficiency, local hire, and timely execution of this project while promoting good paying careers for women, rural workers, military veterans, tribal communities, and workers of color wanting a career in the skilled trades. Further, PLAs remove potential barriers small and disadvantaged businesses often face when bidding on non-PLA projects.

If and when Offshore Wind Development comes to Oregon, the members we represent, the apprentices who earn while they learn, and future apprentices stand ready to get to work. We encourage your support of HB 4080.

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Hayley Watson

Political and Special Projects Coordinator



Executive Secretary: Robert Camarillo

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Affiliated Unions

1. Boilermakers Local 242	17. OR & S. Idaho District Council of Laborers
2. Bricklayers Local 1	18. Floor Coverers Local 1236
3. Cement Masons Local 555	19. Office & Professional Employees Local 11
4. Heat and Frost Insulators Local 36	20. Operating Engineers Local 701
5. Drywall Finishers Local 101	21. Painters & Drywall Finishers Local 10
6. IBEW Local 48	22. Painters District Council No. 5
7. IBEW Local 112	23. Plasterers Local 82
8. IBEW Local 280	24. Plumbers & Steamfitters Local 290
9. IBEW Local 659	25. Plumbers & Steamfitters Local 598
10. IBEW Local 932	26. Roofers Local 49
11. Elevator Constructors Local 23	27. Sheet Metal Workers Local 16
12. Glaziers Local 740	28. Sheet Metal Workers Local 55
13. Ironworkers Local 29	29. Sprinkler Fitters UA Local 669
14. Ironworkers Shop Local 516	30. Teamsters Local 162
15. Ironworkers District Council	31. Joint Council of Teamsters No. 37
16. Laborers Local 737	

Regional Councils:

- Central Oregon Building and Construction Trades Council
- Columbia Pacific Building and Construction Trades Council
- Lane, Coos, Curry, Douglas Building Trades Council
- Pendleton Building and Construction Trades Council
- Salem Building and Construction Trades Council
- Southern Oregon Building and Construction Trades Council