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Bill Title: Relating to agrivoltaics task force; declaring an emergency.

**Government Unit(s) Affected:** Department of Agriculture, Department of Energy, Department of Land Conservation and Development, Task Force/Committee/Workgroup

### **Summary of Fiscal Impact**

Department of Land Conservation and		
Development $(c, 229, 079, c)$		
Development   \$ 238,978   \$ -   \$ -   \$ 238,97	3 1	0.75
Total Fiscal Impact      \$ 238,978      \$ -      \$ -      \$ 238,978	3 1	0.75

2027-29 Biennium	General Fund	Lottery Funds	Other Funds	Federal Funds	Total Funds	Positions	FTE
Department of Land Conservation and							
Development	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	-	-
Total Fiscal Impact	<b>\$</b> -	\$-	\$ -	\$-	\$-	-	-

# **Measure Description**

The measure establishes the Agrivoltaics Task Force to study land use regulations, benefits, and economic impacts of agrivoltaics, and to provide recommendations on project size, land use, and grid connection barriers. The task force must include at least 11 members, appointed within 45 days of the effective date, representing state agencies, agriculture, solar development, land use, and other relevant interests. The task force is required to meet at least six times and submit a report with findings and legislative recommendations to an interim legislative committee related to land use by December 15, 2026. The Department of Land Conservation and Development (DLCD) will provide staff support to the task force.

# **Fiscal Analysis**

The Department of Land Conservation and Development will require one limited duration full-time Planner 4 position (0.75 FTE) in the 2025-27 biennium. The estimated cost for the position is \$238,978 General Fund. This position would serve as the project manager, responsible for facilitating the studies outlined in the measure, organizing and providing information to the Agrivoltaics Task Force, and leading outreach, engagement, and collaboration with state and local government agencies. Staffing support for the task force can be provided by DLCD using existing resources.

#### Other entities

The measure is anticipated to have no or minimal impact for the Oregon Department of Agriculture and the Oregon Department of Energy.

#### **Relevant Dates**

The task force must submit a report to an interim legislative committee related to land use by December 15, 2026.

The Agrivoltaics Task Force is repealed on December 31, 2026.

The measure declares an emergency and takes effect on passage.