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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Climate, Energy, and Environment

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3681

To: House Committee on Climate, Energy and Environment

On behalf of: The Lake Oswego Sustainability Network (LOSN)

From: Lisa Adatto, Chair, LOSN Advocacy Committee

Re: HB 3681

Position: Support

Date: 3/11/2025

Our organization, the Lake Oswego Sustainability Network (LOSN) strongly supports HB 3681, which will remove barriers and speed up the addition of new transmission lines in Oregon.

LOSN is a non-profit located in Lake Oswego, dedicated to promoting sustainable practices in our community. We hold events, send out newsletters, and offer programs for our community to educate and motivate our citizens to switch to a clean and healthy lifestyle to protect our future citizens. Thousands of Lake Oswego citizens take part in our programs, and local surveys show that climate change and sustainability are key concerns in our area.

Our organization includes a program. "Electrify LO", which promotes using clean energy rather than fossil fuels. Lake Oswego is a leader in electric vehicle use, and local homeowners are switching to heat pumps, induction stoves, electric landscaping equipment and more. In order to meet the state's climate goals and provide clean, renewable energy, we need additional transmission. We need to connect Eastern Oregon solar and wind farms to homes and businesses in the Valley, which will then allow citizens to use clean energy to power their electric cars and appliances.

Today, it takes too long to permit new transmission projects, and we are falling behind. Please support HB 3681, knowing that it is a critical part of the pathway to a safe future.