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Who pays for the environmental disasters being caused by climate change? Until now, it has been ordinary citizens and taxpayers when it should have been the largest corporations fueling the climate crisis. This can be reversed going forward with the passage of SB 1187, Climate Superfund. For decades, oil and gas companies have denied their own science on the impact of their products to the environment, and hence, have faced no consequences for the negative impacts from them. This must be rectified as the detrimental consequences and costs skyrocket year after year. SB 1187 will establish a fund with monies from the largest polluters to help with clean-up from climate-related environmental emergencies and investment in cleaner forms of renewable energy.

The largest polluters have an opportunity to now take responsibility for their past denials and inaction. They also have an opportunity to create a sustainable and healthier planet for all their employees, families and future generations. Please support SB 1187 to ensure Oregon equitably responds to the climate crisis.