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HB 3681– Electricity Transmission Permitting

We are in a Climate Emergency, it is imperative that Oregon is proactive in enhancing transmission systems for the increase in clean energy production to offset declining fossil fuel use.

HB 3681 is an important step forward to improve energy reliability in both the near and longer term. HB 3681 speeds and simplifies outdated rules that delay and prevent new energy transmission creation in Oregon.

HB 3681 is an essential part of this legislative session's transmission package including HB 3336 – Grid Enhancing Technologies and HB 3628 – Oregon Electric Transmission Authority. These three bills are needed now to prepare for increased electrical power demands as we move away from fossil fuel use.

Now is the time to be a climate hero. Please support HB 3681 and move this bill forward in this legislative session.