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NO! to SB1586

This bill is a scam for the hard working people of Oregon.

- This land was already set aside for rural reserve until 2065!!! Seems illegal to change that based on false assumptions and for the enrichment of a few ultra wealthy companies.
- Our water is a priceless commodity. We need it for our quality of life and literally to live. We have already seen our water bills rise substantially and fires have been an increasing threat. It is becoming unaffordable to keep basic out door trees alive in the summer. Without trees we will get hotter and add to the problem.
- Even if the land is a money maker-at what cost? Would you sell your last clean river to Elon Musk for 1 billion? A trillion? I think not.
- There is no guarantee about “jobs” and there are loopholes in this bill that do not protect the residents from environmental, quality of life harm
- There is plenty of empty buildings \$ land in the metro area that could be repurposed.
- While this deal may provide a quick payout for some (representatives that are paid to vote for it and the landowners). We all know that in the end it will hurt the community’s quality of life and resources.
- Why are our legislators attempting to sell out? They should be getting creative and quit going with the usual methods. Maybe the tax structure that has not been working, should be flipped....Tax the big wealthy companies MORE (yes, let them leave) and give tax breaks and incentives to draw more start ups and entrepreneurs. People seem happier when they work side by side their management and the wealth divide is less. Why are we in Oregon being naive by thinking bigger is better-maybe many small businesses would be more in tune with the community and make for way higher quality of life. Maybe something different from what big tech is telling us will be invaluable someday.
- We cannot afford to make this mistake-no going back! This seems like a pretty nefarious scheme.
- Sheri Hiefield