

RE: SB 476 April 5, 2013

Dear Senator,

In regards to SB 476 it would give Special Interests standing where they do not now. Doing an EIS on every state project would be a budget breaker for the State. It would blow up the budget for every state agency for not only the EIS's but the litigation it would invite. It would give special interest organizations standing where they have none now.

The NEPA process is broken on the Federal level with law suit after law suit tying up viable job creating projects. Environmentalists are making a living out of suing the Federal Government over everything under the sun, costing millions of dollars. Is this really where Oregon wants to go? Budgeting millions to fight law suits, tying up projects because somebody wants to make a living suing the taxpayers of Oregon?

This is a budget breaker and needs to die a slow death in committee.

Thank you,

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