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As an Oregonian with no stake in either side, and enough education to know what is being spoken of, I would like to offer my analysis of the situation.

There is fracking going on, but both sides are full of hyperbole. Fracking can be done safe and effectively, as long as you have independent compliance and monitoring. So why not simply tax fracking in order to pay for the compliance and monitoring staff.

From the Alexander Krokus testimony, he mentioned 2 really interesting points, the hydrochloric acid and the lists of the heavy earth metals. My understanding is that there is a fractueing "mud" containing a mixture of HCL and lubricating oils, which prevent the bit head from corroding away under the earth. The earth itself also contains heavy metals which are drilled out in the process, some of which are actually useful to industry. The main problem from his testimony is to provide proper ground penetrating sonar and radar essays, and providing failsafes so catastrophic events dont happen.

For what its worth we as a people do require the power of energy and chemistry to enjoy an advanced civilization. The main purpose of legislation should be to make sure there the full lifecycle costs are born of the producers and to make sure that they aren't operating unsafely.