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We care about our children and grandchildren in Oregon. We know that cleaning up our air of proven toxic emissions and dirty diesel fumes is how we can best protect the health of our young people along with the prevention of over-prescription of opioids, another growing health epidemic.

Almost every family has a young person affected by asthma or has a friend who is. These children are not just those of families in urban and sunpburban areas but rural areas where the family business uses a dirty diesel truck and medical expenses pile up or children of a trucker or union worker driving trucks that should be maintained and measured by DEQ. Should we abandon our state's responsibility to regulate emissions within our state so we can recover Oregon's air quality that so benefits from cleansing rain and sponsor our "dirty diesel dumping ground" as "open for business" with no restrictions to protect senior and youth health?

Please say "Hell No! Not in my Oregon to vulnerable young Oregon kids! Not only must we clean up the vehicles and industry here using proven technology but we must stop the import of other states rejects and dirty industry and then export our inventions to other states and countries using Oregon labor and brainpower such as that shown in Oregon's number one on the west coast Robotics Competition Team participation. I just volunteered at one of these events for northern Oregon along with my grandson's robot team. We need to create jobs for these brilliant young people in Oregon, not asthma.

Thank you  
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Repeat: Oregon has more teenagers participating in robotics competition than any western state and is third in the nation. This inventive spirit and can do attitude of building pollution free machines and electromechanical assemblies needs to be put to work in industrial applications aka "jobs" which is prevented by thinking such as "if it smokes send it or move it to Oregon" put a "fleet plate" or a "permanent plate" on it and you are "good to go" in Oregon!