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I support cap, price, and invest for Oregon because it is a first step towards necessary climate legislation to secure Oregon's future. The climate emergency is upon us and needs to be addressed immediately. Oregon's oceans are becoming more acidic, wildfires are growing more frequent and massive, and many of our traditional jobs and occupations are at risk due to the changes in our unique Oregon ecosystem. LC 19 has many of the characteristics of the legislation we need to begin to effectively combat climate change, but it still needs strengthening. I request the following improvements in LC 19:

- We need to remove the 25% of climate fund money to the State Forestry Dept for fire mitigation efforts because thinning projects is not the best option for protecting towns and home and instead cause more loss of carbon sequestration.
- We need stricter and more transparent regulations on large Natural Gas users.
- We need transportation in rural Oregon to be included in the bill with a fixed start date, at least by 2030.
- We need clearer, more declarative language to support impacted communities.

In summary, I support strong climate change legislation and it must get done in 2020.

Sincerely,
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