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Please use this session to produce effective and fair cap and trade reductions for greenhouse gases.

We live in southern Oregon, where the wildfire risk is accelerated by high temperatures, reduced snowpack and summer stream flow, as well as by the fuel levels. We can spend increased tax dollars on fuel reduction, but unless our climate stabilizes, our wildfire season will look like that of northern California, with annual losses of hundreds or thousands of homes.

Our whole state depends upon Douglas fir trees for the timber mills, and yet OSU's data indicates that those trees will not be able to survive in a much hotter world. Since Ponderosa pine currently has little market value, that's a serious problem. Again, you only have to look south of Oregon's border to see the difference a few degrees make.

We have the technology to make and use a lot more solar and wind electricity which can power the vehicles of the future. It's encouraging to see large companies like Walmart and Amazon ready to buy fleets of electric trucks.

I applaud your efforts to work in a bipartisan effort. That's how the best of Oregon's environmental laws have always been created. Civility, compromise, and honest use of scientific, economic and cultural data can make change possible and popular. Please make extraordinary commitments to listening and discussion with respect for differences, and to show true leadership by not whipping up party loyalists to ugly, extreme slogans and demonstrations. No state needs urban and rural people to work together more than Oregon does.

Thank you for this opportunity to comment.

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