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Why does the democratic Oregon government think that we need to be taxed more and more and more. This Cap and Trade is just a big useless tax that will burden Oregon residents. This feel good stuff that the democrats are known for only increases the burden to the tax payers. I feel that Oregon lawmakers are so enamored with California that they want to take Oregon down into the same dung heap that our neighbor to the South is in.

Most of you are city dwellers and do not have a clue what the rural residents are up against. You get to put food in your stomach because of famers. You get to wear clothes because of famers. Now you want to tax the crap out of those famers. You want to add restrictions that will put many out of business. Rural life is 100% better than big city living.

Oregon will tax the middle class into poverty then wonder why there is no more money to keep supplying the poor. We get hidden price increases all the time in regards to driving, fishing, boating, recreation. We get increased utility bills, we get increases in property taxes, and still the democrats want more. More money for the illegal immigrants, more money for the lazy, more money for Oregon to waste. Why, why, why do you think we can spare more and more of our money? I can't print more as I need it, and I do not have endless pockets of cash to throw at you.

Cap and Trade will not stop climate change. We should not take one for the team because some of you want that warm and fuzzy feeling. Addressing climate change needs to be done on a global platform with <u>every</u> country getting involved. Obama wanted the United States to take the brunt of the responsibility while other countries got to keep on polluting. Oregon does not need to be like Obama's agenda.

You should be working with the rest of the states and even other countries, so any fix will be done by all. Quit taxing us. Stand up for the residents that keep you in your cushy jobs. Rural Oregon is just as important as the rest of the state.

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