

To the Members of the Joint Commission on Climate Reduction:

I strongly support H.R. 2020. Oregon needs to be part of the solution by steadily reducing greenhouse gas emissions and investing in efficiency measures, clean energy jobs, Investments in rural and disadvantaged communities and more clean transportation options.

The devastating effects of continuing on this path of freely polluting our atmosphere with CO2 has to stop and everyone who is polluting should be held accountable. It has been proven that economies actually thrive when the polluters pay even when transportation is included.

The strongest version of this bill by minimizing free allowances, including transportation, and NO exemption (EITE) status for Jordon Cove or any new fossil fuel infrastructure projects is critical.

We need state government to help us address the climate crisis and to be responsive and effective in solving these kind of big problems. With the right incentives polluting companies will stop using our common atmosphere as an open sewer and quickly transition to renewable energy. I realize that gasoline prices may go up as a consequence, but we all need to be part of the solution to avoid the devastation that will happen if we continue on our current path.

Oregon needs to be part of the solution just like everyone else.

Please pass H. R. 2020

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