

Gentlemen,

HB2020 WORSE THAN USELESS - IT IS HARMFUL TO OREGON!

It is clearly apparent HB2020 is an idea founded in delusion. The effects of HB2020 are almost universally

bad:<https://olis.leg.state.or.us/liz/2019R1/Downloads/CommitteeMeetingDocument/159445>

The monies that are collected will not reduce ANY global carbon emissions. They will only penalize and hobble Oregon's economy.

HOW TO SEQUESTER CARBON - WISELY UTILIZE OUR FORESTS

If we really want to sequester carbon, then cut down Oregon trees and make houses out of them. That will allow room to plant more trees and pull more carbon out of the atmosphere (even if that were needed or desirable) which it is not. That will revitalize the use of our natural resources and stimulate Oregon's economy.

HYDRO POWER - A TRUE ENVIRONMENTALLY FRIENDLY POWER

Stop tearing down the dams! That is the most reliable and affordable "free" environmental power available to us.

Hydro-power doesn't require expensive (rare earth and silver and electricity and extensive (put on most every house top) resources used to make solar panels, because the sun distills the water from the ocean naturally, our natural topography condenses it and focuses it into streams and rivers automatically, we need only utilize that power at the naturally supplied concentration points.

Why not simply erect hydro-power structures at these natural concentration point from dirt and rocks (cement) and iron (steel) to supply power for the whole region, rather than cover the roofs of many/most houses and buildings with energy intensive (electricity for semiconductor manufacture), oil (for transportation and erection) and precious earth resources (precious metals and minerals) solar panels?

POLITICAL WISDOM

If a politician wants to stay in office in the long run, I would think they should become aware of their constituents needs and desires and educate themselves on the scientific and logical bases for meeting those needs - ELSE, THE UNHAPPY POPULACE WILL LIKELY REMOVE THOSE POLITICIANS FROM OFFICE!

Individual politicians have no special regard BY the public, outside of their usefulness TO the public. The "What have you done for me lately?", viewpoint is powerful.

I think the panacea of short term "goodies" will eventually be paid for with long term "pain". If a politician wants to be remembered as being "great", they should look to the long term health of their constituents. The chicken will "ultimately come home to roost".

ACT AND LEGISLATE FOR THE PEOPLE OF OREGON

The wise legislator should work on behalf of the PEOPLE of Oregon first, not on behalf of the resources of Oregon first. Wisely utilize the renewable resources of Oregon BY THE PEOPLE, to provide a sustainable economy FOR THE PEOPLE of Oregon!

VOTE NO ON HB 2020!

Sincerely,
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