## I am a displaced timber worker. I am a past oil worker. I am a rancher.

Based on my personal experiences in all three fields, I support Cap and Trade.

Many experiences have influenced my decisions, but the main one is the following.

I grew up on my family's seven-thousand-acre cattle ranch in Klamath Falls, Oregon, in the 1950s. Rt 2, Box 681, reference picture attached. My home, our ranch, consisted of Stukel Mountain and Nuss Lake. I have attached six pictures of this our ranch that includes Stukel Mountain and Nuss Lake.

During the war, Stukel Mountain's Old Growth was logged for the war efforts. When the last trees were cut, the loggers abandoned a small community of homes, church, and store. We use to enjoy rummaging around in them for antiques. We used one as a line camp when rounding up cattle. The timber company never planted trees back. Currently, Stukel is covered in invasive species shrubs and trees.

It takes 50 years for a trophic cascade's negative results to happen to an ecosystem. Because the trees were not planted back, the streams dried up, and Nuss Lake could not replenish itself. At the time we were on the ranch, we did not realize this was happening right under our feet. Everyone thought that the area's water would last into infinity. But it did not.

Euro-American concepts of land-use logging, water extraction, farming, ranching, and urban development that the timber industry, the loggers, the ranchers, and more favor instead of Cap and Trade, has shrunk Nuss Lake. It is down from several hundred acres to approximately a third it's size now. See the screenshot of Nuss Lake attached and compare my family photos. My Father is irrigating in some, another depicts our pool which was fed by the lake's warm springs all year long.

The differences in my photos and the screenshots of Nuss Lake and Stukel Mountain is Oregon with NO Cap and Trade. Moreover, it is currently Oregon on climate change. And like the little logging community on Stukel Mountain, so will be our economy with NO Cap and Trade. Furthermore, without a strong Cap and Trade, this will be our economy in climate change.

Oregonians, all of us, deserve a strong Cap and Trade bill. Otherwise, we will be the next Nuss Lake and Stukle Mountain.

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