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To Chair Power and Members of the House Committee on Energy & the Environment:

I am writing to ask you to please support HB 4105. I am unable to attend the hearing today because of previous commitments, but I strongly support this bill. I believe it does not go far enough, but it is a very good start.

We read almost weekly about oil train accidents and pipeline explosions and fires and people and animals being put in danger. We are in a climate emergency, and we know, without any doubt, that we must, more quickly than possible, stop using fossil fuels altogether. We already have more fossil fuels in storage than will use up our entire CO2 budget before the earth is heated beyond saving. So it is insane for us to continue drilling and fracking and transporting this deadly, toxic, substance.

While I would like to see oil trains and pipelines banned completely from Oregon, this bill is a good start to controlling the rampant out of control fossil fuel industry. It would steer Oregon away from using state-owned public lands for new major fossil fuel projects like oil train terminals, LNG terminals, and oil and gas pipelines. This bill could add yet another tool to the State's toolbox to stop reckless projects like Jordan Cove. It would also ensure Oregon's oil train standards are as strong as Washington state's standards, by establishing a limit on the vapor pressure of oil being delivered to facilities in Oregon.

I implore you to support this bill and to pass it out of committee with a very strong "do pass" recommendation.

Thank you for the work you do for all Oregonians.

Sincerely,

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