Hello, my name is April Ruef and I'd like to make my voice heard on a very important topic. So many of my fellow oregonians feel so similarly, like we are simply being silenced and passed over because our wishes don't mesh with the ideals that some of OUR elected officials seem to be pushing.

I have been born and raised in Oregon, this state is my home and my heart is wholly here however, my heart is breaking for our state.

Cap and Trade is going to drive up utility prices and gas prices, which so many of us can't afford and shouldn't HAVE to try to budget even more price hikes! So many people are already working their butts off to still barely scrape by.

Waiting around for a tax rebate next year when you have to pay your bills today...also not a solution.

Timber Unity has a 4-point plan to address carbon issues WITHOUT a tax...pass that NOW and leave our checkbooks alone.

County Commissioners from all over Oregon are saying NO to Cap and Trade. Legislators should too.

It's a huge change in how Oregon does regulations related to transportation and manufacturing and natural resources - the people deserve the right to vote - refer it to the people.

Stop wasting our money on "green energy". \$20 million to implement is crazy and unrealistic based on past projects and failures.

Please, we are begging and pleading, listen to oregonians. ALL oregonians. Please, don't let us down.

Respectfully, April Ruef