

SCR 17 – Environmental Justice for Oregon

The climate crisis is getting worse. The state should prioritize making sure communities are safe and protected, especially our Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (BIPOC) communities, already disproportionately traumatized by systemic racism and discrimination. The state should invest in BIPOC communities create new opportunities and mitigate past harm.

Everyone deserves to live in a community free from pollution, where they can have access to renewable energy, and where they can be meaningfully employed. State agencies have a responsibility to make sure that diversity, equity, inclusion and justice are part of their decision making always, as many communities in Oregon have been excluded from the decision-making processes.

SCR 17 is a step in the right direction.