

While Oregon's land use planning system has been a model for responsible and deliberate land use planning since the 1970's, it has not been updated in 50 years. It inadequately engages Oregon's underserved communities and fails to explicitly address climate change. This update is long overdue.

HB 2488 would ensure that local governments center climate and equity in comprehensive plan updates now and far into the future to continuously address the needs of our most impacted communities. The bill prioritizes funding distribution from the Climate Justice Planning Goal Fund in an equitable manner, prioritizing local governments most in need of support.

The bill also directs other state agencies to coordinate with DLCD in the creation of the new goal. The bill also establishes a Climate Justice Planning Goal Fund to increase DLCD and LCDC's capacity to hold hearings and seek out grants to provide financial and technical support to local governments.

Please get HB2488 passed into law, thank you.