

I urge Oregon state legislators to vote for SCR 17, a landmark piece of legislation that you could be proud to support, and in doing so break new ground in the ethical management of our land, water, and renewable resources. This bill brings together concerns for our environment, our climate, the health of human communities, and of a democracy that is supposed to be based in justice.. The effects of the legislation have the potential to build both economic and social resilience as we shift to values that extend care to every group in our state, so that communities who of necessity have cultivated survival skills and systems based in mutuality will be able to contribute their desperately needed perspectives, and knowledge to solving the problems we all face together. Thank you for reading this testimony.