

Hello,

I'm writing in strong opposition to HB 3065. As we endure record heat and dry weather for the second straight spring, which straddled a historic and devastating wildfire season, it is utterly irresponsible of our representatives to propose legislation that not only does not deter further use of fossil fuel-powered motor vehicles, but in fact encourages it. As you know, widening freeways has never been proven to reduce traffic congestion; to the contrary, it has only increased the numbers of cars on the road. What's more, air pollution kills or sickens millions each year, and such projects would only worsen already unsatisfactory air quality conditions in Portland, particularly in the historically black Albina neighborhood. Please do the right thing for the people and not entrenched fossil fuel interests, and do not pass this bill.

Thank you,

Chris Chaplin