

I am not able to make more detailed comments on the suitability of particular locations because in the name of openness and good governance NO MAPS OF THE AREA UNDER CONSIDERATION ARE AVAILABLE. My general comments follow

Reasons I oppose use of rural reserve land for semiconductor plants:

1) the proposed sites are on some of the rural reserve land we were told would be protected for 30-50 years. Based on this end run around the prior agreement it appears that the prior "commitments" were bull****. No wonder citizens lack trust in government and vote for fringe political parties.

2) it appears that this giveaway to industry is just another version of the giveaway schemes to try to land a pro sports team, namely give us upfront money and "you will get it in the end". Do an unemotional analysis to see if the citizens of Oregon benefit and an unbiased answer is likely NO!

3) Here is my brief analysis:

PROS:

- A) a few landowners will make buckets of money
- B) construction companies and trade unions will be very grateful to those responsible for ramming this proposal through and will find concrete ways to express their gratitude.

CONS:

- A) air pollution. Semiconductor industries are not green and clean, just ask the neighbors of the Ronler Acres Intel plants and examine their past air quality violations (e.g. fluoride releases). The Washington County air shed is already over burdened with particulate and NOx releases from existing plants.
- B) The property tax abatements put the burden for improved infrastructure on taxpayers. Developers in the Bethany area were supposed to make Infrastructure payments, but somehow few if any were made.
- C) Transportation infrastructure is inadequate.
- D) The state pays to acquire the land in the hope that "if we buy it they will come". In case you have not noticed, capital intensive industries are moving east and south to states with wages, laws and taxes more favorable to them. At best Oregon would be used as a pawn to squeeze more concessions from the company's desired location. I foresee that after a few frustrating years, the state will sell the still empty land, at a huge loss, to build server farms that provide virtually zero tax revenue or employment. Follow a simple rule of investment, do not spend money on the hope of a return without first getting binding commitments.
- E) This exception will the camel's nose under the tent for the elimination of land use planning in Oregon.
- F) Production workers will be unable to find local affordable housing and will commute long distances from outer areas. So much for reducing carbon emissions!

Sincerely,
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