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Professional Engineers of Oregon supports establishing a hydrogen producing hub using a non-CO2 producing technology somewhere in Oregon. However, it is not clear why the location should be narrowly limited to Coos Bay. If a worthwhile study is going to be conducted, more locations should be considered so that factors such as "green" power availability, major hydrogen use points are identified and evaluated, distribution cost, as well as tsunami resistance for the production and storage facility site. If future availability of off shore wind power in the Coos Bay area is being used as the justification, then the best use of that power should also be considered.

Respectfully submitted,

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