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The funds generated by the Climate Resilience Superfund will be used to make Oregon more resilient to wildfires, upgrade homes with energy efficient cooling and protection from the elements, strengthen transportation and the electrical power grid, invest in agriculture and fisheries, and more, to ensure the communities most impacted by the climate crisis benefit the most.

Taxpayers and local governments are already paying for the climate crisis. The costs of responding to climate-related disasters and of making our communities more resilient will have to be paid one way or another, but Oregon legislators have the power to decide who foots the bill. Our local and state governments are cash-strapped, but this bill puts at least partial payment for response to disasters and resilience on large fossil fuel companies, which can best afford to pay for them.

Thank you.