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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Natural Resources and  
Wildfire

Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB1541

Chair Golden, Vice-chair Nash, and Members of the Committee:

I support creation of the Climate Resilience Superfund, which will hold polluters accountable by making large, out-of-state fossil fuel companies pay their fair share because of the pollution THEY create and spew.

I am deeply concerned about wildfires, along with air, water and plastic pollution--all while our communities experience an escalating climate crisis that cannot be ignored. Time is of the essence. Yet the cost of cleaning up the impacts of climate change has been burdened on Oregonians and local governments.

We have been paying for remediation, but fossil fuel companies rake in the profits month after month, year after year. We must end this tragedy that has compounding ramifications on the health of us all, and on our wildlife and natural environment. You and your fellow colleagues have the means to shift these costs from us, your constituents, back to these mega corporations.

Please be strong-minded, strong-willed, and work diligently to pass SB 1541. Make these corporate polluters pay for the damages they've perpetrated on Oregon communities and our vital natural environment. Thank you for your heartfelt attention to this request.

Sincerely, Gretchen Valido Bend, OR 97703