

BEFORE WHEELER COUNTY COURT

STATE OF OREGON, COUNTY OF WHEELER

IN THE MATTER OF PROCLAIMING ) RESOLUTION NO.  
WHEELER COUNTY'S OPPOSITION TO ) 2020-04  
SENATE BILL 1530: AN ACT RELATING TO )  
GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS )

WHEREAS, Wheeler County Court represents an estimated 1,400 people; and

WHEREAS, Wheeler County provides a wide range of critically needed services to its residents including health and human services, roads, parks, public safety, and

WHEREAS, The residents of Wheeler County have suffered from years of the impacts from wildfire smoke from the mismanaged public lands in and around our County, which has and continues to significantly impact our economy; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 1530 will directly impact the cost to Wheeler County and the residents of Wheeler County in significant increases in the cost to provide services through increased utility costs and increased costs in fuel related to providing those critically needed services; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 1530's impacts through increases in utility costs and fuel costs will further burden the residents of Wheeler County who are already burdened by the increasing costs of living in our communities through higher rents, increasing costs to purchase a home, and additional tax burdens placed on them by the State of Oregon; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 1530's impacts through increases in utility costs and fuel costs will significantly hamper the ability of the residents of Wheeler County to attempt to recover from the economic devastation caused by the wildfire smoke; and

WHEREAS, Any benefits derived through Senate Bill 1530, many of which are in dispute, do not justify the penalties and costs imposed by the Bill.

Now, therefore,


The Wheeler County Court PROCLAIMS:

Wheeler County, Oregon is opposed to Senate Bill 1530 of the 80th Oregon Legislative Assembly which will have punitive impacts on Wheeler County and its citizens.

DATED this 19 day of February 2020,

Wheeler County Court

  
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N. Lynn Morley, Wheeler County Judge

  
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Robert L. Ordway, Wheeler County Commissioner

  
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Rick Shaffer, Wheeler County Commissioner