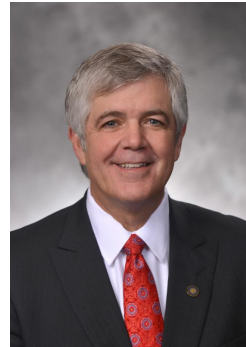




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Senator Bentz & Representative Bonham to Hold Town Hall Meetings Regarding Cap and Trade

Oregon State Senator Cliff Bentz (R-Ontario) and State Representative Daniel Bonham (R-The Dalles), members of the Oregon Legislative Joint Carbon Reduction Committee, will hold Town Hall meetings to listen to constituents regarding the failure of HB 2020 (Oregon's Cap & Trade bill) and next steps in how Oregon might address CO2 reduction.

Supporters of HB 2020 have indicated that they intend to "tweak" and then re-introduce HB 2020 a short six months from now, in the 2020 Legislative Short Session. House Bill 2020, if passed, will dramatically effect energy prices, jobs, businesses, and low-income people across Oregon, without perceptively reducing global CO2 emissions. Is this what Oregon should do?

The primary purpose of these meetings will be to hear what Oregonians want to do when it comes to CO2. Do they want to pay more at the pump, meter, and grocery store, use some other means of addressing carbon reduction, or do nothing?

These town hall meetings will provide an opportunity for attendees to express:

- Is Cap and Trade right for Oregon?
- What Oregon should do about climate change?
- How can Oregon's 4 million people be "climate relevant" in a world of 7.5 billion people?
- Are the people of Oregon ready to pay to reduce CO2, and if so, how much?
- Should parts of Oregon's economy be sacrificed so that CO2 can be reduced more quickly?
- Are there more efficient ways of addressing CO2 reduction than those found in HB 2020?

Carbon Town Halls will be held in:

CARBON TOWN HALLS WILL BE HELD AT:

SISTERS

Monday, July 29th, 6:00-8:30pm (PST)

@ Five Pine Lodge & Conference Center (1021 E. Desperado Trail)

THE DALLES

Tuesday, July 30th, 6:00-8:30pm (PST)

@ Fort Dalles Readiness Center (402 E. Scenic Drive)

Other town halls may be scheduled in the near future, schedules, interest, and outcomes permitting.

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