

OREGON PSR

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Dear Anna,

We're appalled by threats to the health of patients, providers, and systems like the VA, Public Health Organizations, Community Health Centers, Medicaid and Medicare. **Now groups like ours that focus on climate justice and equity are being targeted. They seek to strip our organizations of tax-exempt status.** We'll continue to build a movement for human health and social justice, while working with allies to prevent the dismantling of basic health care systems.

We can't do this without you.

Please make a donation TODAY.

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Thank you Pat Murphy! Welcome Ava Scherlag!

This month, Pat Murphy, ND, LAc stepped down from the Oregon PSR Board. We are so very grateful to Pat for serving an invaluable 14 years as Secretary! Board member Dr. Leslie Cagle will step up as Board Secretary. Thank you, Leslie! And we are excited to introduce our newest board member, Ava Scherlag.

Ava is a citizen of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma and grew up in Oklahoma City. In 2024, she graduated from Brown University with a Bachelors of Arts in Public Health. She is a member of the Oregon Health and Sciences 2025 Wy'east cohort and a member of the 2029 medical school class. She is also a member of the Emerging Leaders 2025 cohort for the National PSR. Her interests include health equity and protecting the land and water rights of Indigenous people.

Take Action: Move Oregon Forward!

Oregon lawmakers are about to make some big transportation decisions that will affect us for years to come. That's why [Move Oregon Forward](#) is working together to improve our transportation system. Will you tell your legislators that we need a 2025 transportation package that works for ALL Oregonians?



Take Action



Webinar: The Critical Energy Infrastructure (CEI) Hub is a Ticking Time Bomb. Why is that a Danger Statewide?

Discover the hidden risks of the CEI Hub—then dive into a conversation about the powerful legislation now moving through Salem that could protect Portland communities and Oregonians across the state.

Date: Wednesday, May 28 at 7:00 pm

[For Zoom link, register here!](#)

Speakers: Nikki Mandell, CEI Hub Task Force & Laura Rogers, Community for Earth

Sponsored by:

- 350 Eugene
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Ready to take action to protect Oregon from a CEI Hub disaster?

Take action today! Tell your legislators to pass HB 2949!

[Use this tool kit to write your email!](#)



HB 2949 isn't perfect, but the "Risky Business" group is urging its passage so that in the event of the inevitable disaster money is available for clean-up, saving the State from having to use taxpayer money.

In this time of federal cutbacks and state financial shortages, this is even more important. Please help make this point by writing to the legislators who can ensure this bill passes.

The next critical step is to be sure this gets assigned to a sub-committee of Ways and Means.

Everyone is busy, and they probably won't read much of the email, so be sure subject line includes your main point, e.g. **"Pass HB 2949 Risk Bonding to save the state money for a CEI Hub disaster"**

Who to write to (copy and paste into the "to line")

- Sen.KateLieber@oregonlegislature.gov;
- Rep.TawnaSanchez@oregonlegislature.gov;
- Rep.JulieFahey@oregonlegislature.gov;
- Sen.RobWagner@oregonlegislature.gov;

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Nuclear Lobby Day Recap

On May 19th, 2025 OPSR joined over [25 organizations representing over 120,000 Oregonians as part of the Keep Oregon Nuclear Free working group.](#)

We gathered at the Oregon Capitol to lobby against [HB 2410](#) which would approve the development of a small modular nuclear reactor (SMNR) demonstration facility in Umatilla County to power data centers that use enormous amounts of energy.

We held conversations with public officials to share our concerns about the experimental project (this would be the first SNMR in the U.S.) and the dangers it poses to environmental and human health.

You can learn more about HB 2410 and read the Keep Oregon Nuclear Free one-pager given to legislators by clicking the corresponding links below.

[HB 2410 Fact Sheet](#)

[One-Pager for Legislators](#)



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