

# Oregon Physicians for Social Responsibility

Dear Anna,



## NW Natural is being held accountable for their campaigns of misinformation and contributions to the climate crisis.

Oregon PSR and environmental justice advocates within Multnomah County have worked tirelessly to hold polluters accountable for their contributions to the climate crisis. Due to this work, Multnomah County has brought a lawsuit against major polluters such as Exxon Mobil and Shell, consultant agency McKenzie, and PNW gas utility NW Natural, along with the Oregon Institute of Science and Medicine (OISM) - a non-profit research group. The suit alleges that they knew about the impacts of fossil fuels on the climate crisis and intentionally led marketing and educational campaigns that fed misinformation to the public. Specifically, the suit highlights that OISM led the misinformation campaigns with funding from Exxon and other fossil fuel companies.

Learn more by reading articles from [Street Roots](#), the [New York Times](#) and more by visiting [our website](#).



# REWORLD MARION COUNTY MEDICAL WASTE INCINERATOR SHUTS DOWN FOR GOOD

## **A Win for Advocates! ReWorld (fka Covanta) Marion County Waste Incinerator is Shutting Down!**

Oregon PSR along with our partners have been leading the charge against the ReWorld Marion County Waste Incinerator for years... and it is finally shutting down! This is a huge win for advocates, impacted communities and all of Oregon. The ReWorld incinerator has been burning up to 18,000 tons of medical waste per year, most of which was trucked in from other states and even Canada. The facility also burned industrial waste and a number of items from law enforcement agencies including weapons, drugs and evidence materials. ReWorld Marion is Oregon's 19th largest single source of greenhouse gas emissions, and the 4th largest waste incinerator in the country. Toxic emissions from incinerators have a devastating effect on human and environmental health. Adverse health impacts include: carcinogenesis, poor pregnancy and childhood development outcomes, and impairment of lung, cardiovascular, liver, kidney, neurological and endocrine function.

A HUGE thank you and congratulations to everyone who contributed to the movement to shut down the ReWorld Marion facility!



## **Mapping Nuclear Legacies: The Role of Cities in the Politics of Nuclear Weapons**

For those who are passionate about the abolishment of nuclear weapons and advocating for change on a local level - we are excited to share an incredible new resource, whose creation was led by Hirokazu Miyazaki a cultural anthropologist and ethnographic investigator employed at Northwestern University. Hiro and his team have been conducting thorough research into how cities - their leaders, officials and residents - contribute to the politics of nuclear weapons.

You can learn more about the project and explore their database of resolutions on their [website](#).

If you want to get involved with the movement to abolish nuclear weapons you can sign up to join our [Peace and Justice Action Team](#).



## **Volunteer with Oregon PSR**

Are you passionate about advocating for a healthy, peaceful, and just Oregon?  
Join one of our volunteer action teams!

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### **Peace and Justice Action Team**

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