

Good afternoon,

There has been a lot of misinformation recently by Mr. Taylor and Diane Rich regarding my work for you. I normally wouldn't address such pettiness, however the level of lies has risen to blatant, even after I addressed them with Mr. Taylor over the phone prior to his publishing the misinformation to an unknown number of people and forcing me on his radio program to address the issues he brought forward, to which he never really allowed me to speak about.

I work for you with the utmost ethical integrity, which unfortunately is not the case in others and their recent fabrication is liken to how the democrat driven media has persecuted President Trump. Untruths, misdirection, and then when trying to address the untruths, stopping the ability to do so, which again is what occurred once I was finally allowed to join the radio program.

I will begin with an email I received Wednesday from Bicoastal Media President & COO, Mike Wilson. You can see that Mr. Taylor is untruthful in his comments and that there were NO threats of legal action and that I, nor Rep. Boice or Rep. Osborne EVER asked that the show be withdrawn from the platform as Mr. Taylor published. After Mr. Taylor continued to attack me, and then began attacking Rep. Boice and Rep. Osborne (in his publishing and during his program a week later on the 27th) for simply criticizing how I was not allowed to speak on his radio program in an email to Mr. Taylor. ([CLICK HERE](#)) I merely sent an email to Mr. Wilson asking that he review the programs and if he would schedule a time to speak over the phone, which was set for Wednesday AFTER Mr. Wilson had already made his decision.

"Hello Senator Smith,

There has been a lot of misinformation this week from Mr Taylor and 9 of his supporters that have reached out to me via email.

First, Mr Taylor and his supporters have stated that the program was pulled due to political pressure. This is false. You did bring the program to my attention and asked that I review its contents. Neither you nor any other elected official exerted any pressure to pull the show.

Second, there were no threatened lawsuits by you or Mr Tuttle. I called Mr Tuttle and offered an apology for the inferences made on the program. I found him to be reasonable and calm, which was surprising under the circumstances.

I did tell Mr Taylor on the phone that I would not be surprised if Mr Tuttle was in contact with his attorney as he was defamed and slandered on the program but did not tell Mr Taylor that anyone had threatened a lawsuit.

I am a staunch supporter of our Constitution. I support free speech and believe in accountability. I also believe there should be more local talk radio shows not less. That said, unprofessional behavior has consequences.

The decision to pull the show was made after I consulted with two national talk radio consultants. After listening to the shows in question, both advised me that they would pull the program immediately due to the behavior of Mr Taylor and his co-host. (Diane Rich)

I hope this clears up some of the misinformation that has been out there this week. I am available by phone if you would like to discuss any of this.

*Best Regards,
Mike"*

I fully agree with Mr. Wilson and support our First Amendment rights of free speech. It is the pinnacle of our democracy and the defender of our Constitution. I also agree with Mr. Wilson that we need more talk radio, and was on the radio just Wednesday in Roseburg ([CLICK HERE](#)) speaking about my work leading the fight to repeal Measure 110. I believe Mr. Wilson will make every effort to bring a conservative talk radio program back to KWRO that is so important for our voices on the south coast. In the meantime, Basin Tackle is on Wednesday from 3:00 – 4:00 pm.

I first received an email from Mr. Taylor (below) on November 10th. I called Mr. Taylor the following afternoon and spoke with him for almost 45 minutes, while driving (hands free) with my partner in the car to Salem from a Umpqua Community College fundraising event. I clearly explained that Mr. Tuttle had followed my work as a county commissioner since 2013, how I was able to help our cranberry farmers in 2014 by changing federal USDA rules regarding phytosanitary certifications in Oregon to allow for exports to China of cranberries, blueberries, strawberries and cherries. We also spoke about how Mr. Tuttle has been a generous supporter of getting Republicans elected locally and in this state, so we can bring balance and stop the liberal woke agenda. After repeating myself multiple times, the conversation devolved and I hung up the phone. Mr. Taylor said that he was only investigating the information he had received. At no time during our conversation did Mr. Taylor say he was going to have a program about it.

Although I did address Mr. Taylor's concerns over the phone, I then received the second email (below) from Mr. Taylor, 25 hours and 10 minutes before I would have to come on his program (not the 48 hours he continues to claim) and after he published the terrible misinformation to an unknown number of people. I then called into his show 16 minutes before the program segment, where he told me that I was not going to be allowed to speak about what he published until after 5:30 and then hung up on me. I then listened to the program and called back in at 5:30. When I tried to answer his questions, (that I had already answered over a week earlier over the phone) he and his co-host Diane Rich talked over me, called me a liar, and essentially refused to allow me the opportunity of free speech, within the few minutes left in the program, to again address Mr. Taylor and Ms. Rich's slanderous allegations against me, my work and Mr. Tuttle's contributions to help Republicans get elected and take back our state.

You can listen to the program and read the published misinformation by [CLICKING HERE](#).

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Rob Taylor
to me ▼

Fri, Nov 10, 11:06 AM

Hi David,

Who is Thomas R. Tuttle and why has he given you so much money?
It seems strange that one donor would give that much money to mostly one candidate.

Sincerely, Rob Taylor
PO Box 973
Bandon, OR 97411

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Rob Taylor
to me, Sen.DavidBrockSmith@oregonlegislature.gov ▼

Sun, Nov 19, 3:50 PM

Hi David,

It is my job to ask questions and come to conclusions. You may not agree with those conclusions, especially this current article. I still have a lot of questions. You are invited to be on the show tomorrow, Monday, November 20, at 5 pm or you may call in at 541-267-2124. Either way, we are going to be discussing HB3375 and the contributions to your PAC.
Here is the link to the post:

[5:08PM-Monday-11/20/2023: Discussion on the Questionable Actions of Senator David Brock Smith Republican District 1 LIVE on KWRO — Rob Taylor Report](#)

Sincerely, Rob Taylor
PO Box 973
Bandon, OR 97411

Mr. Tuttle built his home north of Gold Beach Oregon in 2007 and is a registered Independent Voter. (See Below) He is NOT a, "Democrat campaign contributor from San Francisco California," as Mr. Taylor had published in another rant of misinformation. You can read that by [CLICKING HERE](#). I have been a registered Republican since I was 18. Mr. Taylor is NOT a Republican, (See Below) and is a Non Affiliated Voter.

Mr. Tuttle has been retired from partnership in Newport Asia LLC for five years. Knowing that his company had done investment management but not the details, I asked Mr. Tuttle what Newport Asia did. His response was as follows, *"David – thank you for asking for factual information about Newport Asia. Newport Asia is an SEC, 1940 Act Registered Investment Advisor managing money for Endowments, Foundations and High net work individuals. As a 40's Act Advisor, we have a fiduciary responsibility for the careful stewardship of our client's assets. Information about Newport Asia is readily available from our public form ADV. Thomas R. Tuttle, CFA."*

Mr. Taylor also made the false claim, *"David Brock Smith travels to China to connect Chinese business investors and companies with American companies. It may be just a coincidence that his top contributor used to be in a similar occupation and happens to be the largest contributor to Smith's Political Action Committee. It may also be a coincidence Newport Asia's largest holding is Atour Lifestyle Holdings Ltd, which happens to be one of China's largest hotel chains."* First, I don't think Mr. Taylor quite understands what the company that Mr. Tuttle worked for actually does. Second and as I stated above, Mr. Tuttle has been retired for five years. I did ask Mr. Tuttle about his former employers work with "Atour Lifestyle Holdings Ltd" as Mr. Taylor through his incredible investigative skills claims they are Newport Asia's largest holding "client". Mr. Tuttle responded back to me stating, *"Unfortunately he is wrong again. Atour Lifestyle Holdings Ltd is less than 1% of the company's portfolio."*

Mr. Tuttle and I became friends through my work as a County Commissioner. He was instrumental in helping defeat the democrats push to take away the citizens right to vote for county elected positions through their proposed county charter. Mr. Tuttle also followed my work then to save and grow the County Child Advocacy Department, as I helped move it out from the DA's Office to a stand alone non profit because of the limited resources the county had to provide for the need for our abused children. His wife Jeri, donated the property and the resources for renovation so that we could have a much better place to assist our children in crisis, rather than the basement of the courthouse. Wally's House ([CLICK HERE](#)), Curry's Child Abuse Intervention Center, is now thriving and providing critical services to children that have been abused.

During my phone call with Mr. Taylor, when I again explained all of this and answered his questions, he asked, *"well I want to know what else he donates too? Does he donate to the NRA?"* I responded to Mr. Taylor, *"that is none of your business."* In retrospect, I should have responded, *"that is none of your business. However, he donates to me and I am always A+ Rated with the NRA!"*

I went on the Oregon Secretary of State's website and pulled all of Mr. Tuttle's campaign donations. (See Below) Mr. Taylor, Ms. Rich or anyone could have done the same thing. They chose not to investigate this information before publishing their misinformation. As you can see, Mr. Tuttle has contributed to help Republicans get elected locally and statewide. In fact, Mr. Tuttle has donated \$221,000.00 dollars to help Republicans and Republican causes in Oregon since 2011, including \$70,000.00 to assist Christine Drazan's campaign against Tina Kotek. He has contributed \$25,000.00 to my campaign every year since 2016. I am highly focused electing more Republicans, locally and in the Oregon Legislature. This is the only way we will stop the liberal woke agenda from one party rule that continues to plague our beloved Oregon. Mr. Tuttle continues to assist in that effort with his contributions. Anyone can go onto the Oregon Secretary of States website and see, that I contribute to help other republicans get elected as well. As we have stated to many of you, we were less than 4500 votes, over 6 legislative races last cycle, to stop the democrats and have the Majority in the Oregon House of Representatives. Another example of my work to get Republicans elected is the Oregon Legislative Coastal Caucus. The Oregon Legislative Coastal Caucus is made up of the seven House and Senate Legislators Legislative Districts along the coast. **When I took Legislative Office in 2017, there were 5 democrats and 2 Republicans that made up the Oregon Legislative Coastal Caucus, with former Senator Kruse and myself being the only Republicans. We have collectively worked our tail off to elect more Republicans and now the Oregon Legislative Coastal Caucus has 6 Republicans and only 1 democrat.** I want to thank all that have assisted in these efforts and want to personally thank longtime Coos County Republican Central Committee Chair Rod Schilling for his dedicated efforts

that helped flip two of those seats from decades of democrat control, to Republican. By working together as conservatives, we can do this across the State of Oregon!

This is what I believe, what Mr. Tuttle believes and the facts are clear. I again, explained some of this to Mr. Taylor when I called him before he published his misinformation. Yet Mr. Taylor on his programs, not only attacked me and Mr. Tuttle, but two other Oregon Legislative Coastal Caucus Republicans. Further and as I mentioned, anyone can go on the Oregon Secretary of State website to look up campaign donations, Mr. Taylor used his radio program to bully and intimidate one of the top Republican supporters for taking back our state. It is already difficult to go up against the democrat unions, the Bloomberg dollars and Soro's billions that are funneled in to democrat campaigns. What would he do to John Smith who might donate \$100.00 dollars to me or another candidate he didn't like? This non Republican, using democrat tactics, is hurting our collective work to elect more Republicans and take back the Oregon we love.

Mr. Taylor published, *"It took two cheesy State Reps, one rat bastard of a Senator, and a Californian Democrat Billionaire to get the owner of BiCoastal Media to cancel the Rob Taylor Report. Republican State Reps Court Boice, Virgle Osbourn, and Senator David Brock Smith sent emails to the owner of BiCoastal Media, Mike Wilson, complaining about the interview I had with David Brock Smith on November 20th. Then at the behest of DBS, his top Democrat campaign contributor from San Francisco California, Thomas "Tim" Tuttle, called Mike Wilson and demanded that he do something about my radio show or he was going to file a defamation lawsuit against the station."* As you can see from Bicoastal Media President Mike Wilson's letter above and the GOP voter registration information below, nothing Mr. Taylor published is true.

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4581342	08/31/2022	Original	Friends of Curry County	Tim Tuttle	Cash Contribution	\$5,000.00
3564529	09/09/2020	Original	Keep Renee Kolen Clerk	Tim Tuttle	Cash Contribution	\$2,500.00
1117460	12/09/2011	Original	Committee to Elect Greg Empson	Tim Tuttle	Cash Contribution	\$7,500.00

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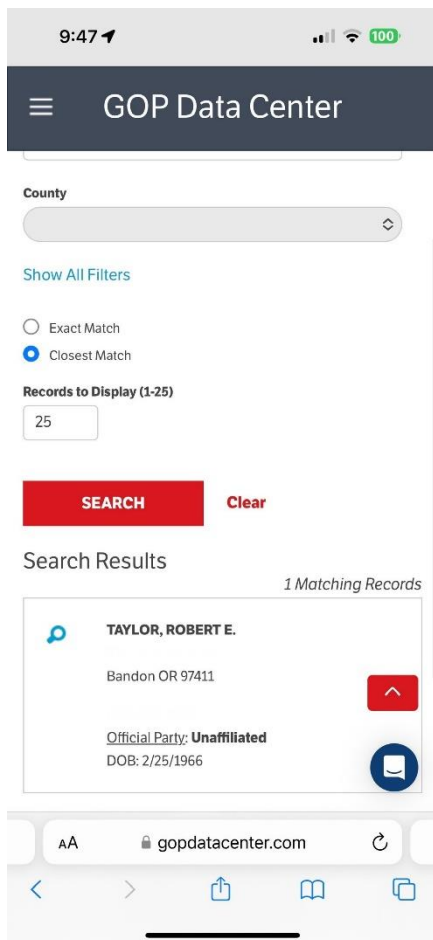
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2226878	04/20/2016	Original	Committee to Elect Eric Hanson	Thomas Tuttle	Cash Contribution	\$861.11
2223113	04/19/2016	Original	Committee to Elect Eric Hanson	Thomas Tuttle	Cash Contribution	\$200.00
2223030	04/12/2016	Original	Committee to Elect Eric Hanson	Thomas Tuttle	In-Kind Contribution	\$90.00
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2222862	03/25/2016	Amended	Committee to Elect Eric Hanson	Thomas Tuttle	In-Kind Contribution	\$500.00
1576533	10/09/2013	Original	Friends of Curry General Hospital	Thomas Tuttle **	Cash Contribution	\$500.00

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3643898	10/19/2020	Original	Friends of David Brock Smith	Thomas R Tuttle	Cash Contribution	\$25,000.00
3406972	03/16/2020	Original	Friends of Sheila Megson	Thomas R Tuttle	Cash Contribution	\$500.00
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1710960	04/23/2014	Original	Curry County Protect Our Right to Vote Committee	Thomas R Tuttle	Cash Contribution	\$1,000.00

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My work with the Oregon China Council has and continues to be all about growing the export opportunities for our farmers, ranchers, and producers to China. Period. There is no other conspiracy as Mr. Taylor claims. As reported by Business Oregon ([CLICK HERE](#)) *“Oregon’s largest trade partner continues to be China, accounting for \$8.4 billion in exports in 2022.”* As I mentioned above, I worked with our cranberry farmers when I was a County Commissioner. They were struggling for years because of their market, with imports from other countries driving down the price. Many were on the brink of losing their farms. I had been fully engaged on this issue since 2012 and drove to Oregon City in 2014 when then President Obama had a White House, Made in Rural America forum. (I know, “made in rural America forum” in Oregon City) I was able to speak to members of the Oregon China Council (I had not known about the organization at that point) and to the Director of the United States Department of Agriculture and explain how we needed changes in the phytosanitary certification policy so that we could export cranberries to China. China wanted to buy our cranberries and our farmers wanted to sell them to China, as they were willing to pay our cranberry farmers more for their product. Within two months, USDA changed their phytosanitary policy for not only our Oregon farmers cranberries to be exported, but for our blueberries, strawberries and cherries. They made this change for not only Oregon, but for Washington and California as well. This was a huge success for our states agriculture producers of these products and has allowed our farmers increased revenues. I again, explained this to Mr. Taylor when I called him before he published his misinformation. I also attempted to speak about this once I was allowed to come onto his radio program, but he and his co-host Ms. Rich spoke over me and called me a liar, etc..

Our beloved late Republican Secretary of State and my friend Dennis Richardson, was the driving force behind the creation of the Oregon China Council during his early years in the Oregon House of Representatives. (See Below) He recognized the benefits to our agricultural producers in Oregon and I personally credit him and his work in this area for the current \$8.4 billion dollars in exports to China for our Oregon farmers, ranchers and producers. In 2016, while I was running for the Legislature and he was running for Secretary of State, he would speak to me about OCC and the need to do all we can to grow our exports and support our farmers, ranchers and producers. Once taking office in the Oregon Legislature in 2017, Democrat Representative Peter Buckley, who had been on the OCC had retired. I was asked by the

OCC if I would like to take his place. Having a district like Secretary Richardson's former House District so dependent on farming and ranching, exports and with his counsel and encouragement, I accepted.

Just as President Trump began working on later, I would rather grow our Oregon export opportunities and bring in more profits for our hard working farmers and ranchers, than imports from China. (See Below) In 2018, I led the Oregon Trade Mission to China. The purpose of the trade mission was again, to grow our export opportunities for our farmers, ranchers and producers. As an example, Chinese companies are one of the biggest buyers of Oregon Hazelnuts, among again, \$8.4 billion dollars in Oregon agricultural and other products. The picture that Mr. Taylor published and is below, was from that trade mission. What he failed to include (purposely or not) was the caption under the picture which reads, *"OCC signed a Memo of Understanding with the China General Chamber of Commerce in Fujian Province regarding the development of a modern agricultural complex in Fujian."* As the leader of the trade mission on behalf of the State of Oregon, I was shaking hands with the Fujian Province Chamber President. This Memo of Understanding is again, to grow export opportunities for our agricultural industries in Oregon with Fujian Province, where the State of Oregon has a signed "Sister State" agreement with them. (See Below) As you can also see below, my role is again, an Ex-Officio one, with the OCC, as President Trump said, to grow our *"AGRICULTURAL PURCHASES FROM OUR PATRIOT FARMERS & RANCHERS"* here in Oregon. You can also see below that the council is made up of distinguished Oregonians working for these same goals. OCC also supports bringing students from China to Oregon and I appreciate this work and opportunity to teach Chinese youth about our Founding Fathers, our Constitution, our Republic, our Freedom's and our Liberty's.

More recently however, I was part of a fact finding/trade mission to Taiwan in September. It was a short trip to which I and my Oregon legislative colleagues were focused on the Pacific Coast Intermodal Terminal at the International Port of Coos Bay. I have been working on this project for some time and we have great opportunities to bring thousands of initial jobs to the area with hundreds long term. The trip was again short, but successful. As you know, there continues to be growing tension between China and Taiwan. I for one, support of course, Taiwan's independence and voiced the same on the trip to the many Taiwanese Government Officials we spoke to.



OCC signed a Memo of Understanding with the China General Chamber of Commerce in Fujian Province regarding the development of a modern agricultural complex in Fujian.

Mission

Oregon China Council (OCC) is an all-volunteer, non-profit organization dedicated to promoting the best interests of the people of Oregon through people-to-people exchanges and positive economic relations with China. OCC's events and missions cultivate understanding, mutual respect and prosperity between Oregon and China.

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Hon. Dennis Richardson

Former Oregon Secretary of State and Pioneer of Oregon China Council

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The misinformation put out by Mr. Taylor and Ms. Rich on BOEM's offshore wind is especially troubling because I have been pushing back on the federal agency Bureau of Ocean Energy Management's ([CLICK HERE](#)) push for offshore wind off of my southern Oregon coastal District since long before 2019. BOEM had their first task force meeting on this in March of 2011 and part of the initial process was the Territorial Sea Plan. ([CLICK HERE](#)) Many of us were engaged back then on the TSP. Please understand that BOEM is a federal agency. I am a Oregon State Senator and have little to no influence over federal agencies. If I did, we would have stopped this long ago as well as be preventing wildfires by logging forests that are under federal management and our industries, residents and their communities would be thriving because of the utilization of the natural resources that built them and are meant to sustain them. Mr. Taylor knew my position of opposition before he published the misinformation and scheduled his program. He even published my email to a constituent regarding my opposition that outlined some of the work I go in to below in much greater detail. Yet, he chose to again move forward with the misinformation and then again, wouldn't let me address his allegations on his radio program.

Having been involved with this issue longer and more than my Oregon Legislative Coastal Caucus colleagues, I was appointed by them to take the lead. Mr. Taylor asserts that since I drafted and passed legislation in the '21 Session, that I fully support BOEM in putting these turbines off my district. It's ridiculous. Mr. Taylor didn't even know, until after he

wouldn't allow me to discuss his accusations on his radio program, that a piece of legislation can be amended (and often is) after it was drafted and sent to a legislative committee. Please remember that democrats in the Oregon Legislature have the majority. No piece of legislation can receive a hearing or move without their saying so. That said, the language in the legislation must be approved by them. The reality is that Oregon democrats can pass any piece of legislation they want (except raising taxes, as long as we can maintain our current numbers or you can join me in increasing our numbers as I mentioned above) without a Republican vote. Yet, my colleagues and I are able to stop a lot of bills that are harmful to our state, industries, residents and their communities. I digress.

Our Oregon Legislative Coastal Caucus knew it was critically important to engage the legislature in the federal BOEM process because if we did not, it would have been left to Governor Brown. That would have been unacceptable and disastrous for our Oregon coastal communities, our fishermen and residents. So we worked with stakeholders and drafted [HB 3375](#) to engage the state in the federal BOEM process. California allocated \$100 million dollars to deal with BOEM and their offshore wind designations. Oregon has not allocated any dollars at all and the fiscal was pulled from HB 3375 in order to pass the bill, because again without it, engagement with BOEM would have been left to Governor Brown. HB 3375 passed unanimously in the House. We did not get the language we wanted in the bill because of the above and Governor Brown, however the important part was that the bill made the state agencies engage in broad stakeholder engagement, (fishermen, businesses, industry) the public and others to investigate the "Benefits and Challenges" for Oregon if BOEM were to move forward with offshore wind. ODOE held three public meetings in March, April and May of 2022 (even though the bill only required two) and the report was delivered in September. ([CLICK HERE](#)) for the report and other information. The report in the end said there is a, "*Need for Further Study, Engagement, and Collaboration*".

I attended every meeting, but I didn't see Mr. Taylor or Ms. Rich there.

During this same time, I led the effort for my Oregon Legislative Coastal Caucus Colleagues and created 6 listening sessions in our coastal communities from Astoria to Brookings. We worked with our fishing industry stakeholders and wanted to get the word out to the fishermen, residents and industries about President Biden's federal agency BOEM proposed projects. They were well attended and I am grateful for our fishermen and the public's time and engagement. It didn't matter if a speaker was wearing a "Trump 2024" hat or an environmentalist, their voice was the same – NO to offshore wind on our coast. Attendees said, "*we need more time to study its impacts to our fisheries, we don't know how this will impact our California current, electromagnetic fields could impact salmon and crab, and most of all, we need more public engagement.*" This was my and my Coastal Caucus colleague's goal, let the fishing industry and public know what the federal BOEM was trying to do and get their voice on the record about this issue. I of course was at every meeting, however again, I did not see Mr. Taylor or Ms. Rich there.

From the very beginning, we also pushed BOEM to use the fisherman data that is collected where they catch their fish and is submitted to NOAA. NOAA uses their spatial planning tool in other areas of sighting ocean projects, specifically in the Gulf of Mexico. For the first time ever in their process, BOEM used NOAA's spatial planning tool in considering the call areas off of the southern Oregon coast.

With these collaborative efforts and raising the voices of our fishermen, public, tribal governments and other stakeholders, BOEM then and my understanding is for the first time in their process, (they have areas off the east coast and California) held three public outreach meetings, two of which the Director of BOEM herself attended. They held them in Newport, Coos Bay and Gold Beach. I had a conflict and could not attend BOEM's Newport Meeting, but did attend in Coos Bay and Gold Beach. Coos County Commissioners Main and Sweet joined me in Coos Bay. Again, I did not see Mr. Taylor or Ms. Rich in attendance.

ODOE then held another public meeting to go over the report in Coos Bay at the Mill Casino that was also heavily attended. I want to thank Chair Meade and the Coquille Indian Tribe for hosting the meeting. I made sure the public was able to speak and ask questions. More feedback was given there as well and the theme was the same, "*we need further study, engagement with stakeholders, tribal government and the public*". I again did not see Mr. Taylor or Ms. Rich there.

We then attempted to broaden the engagement utilizing a neutral party through Oregon Consensus so that we can continue to make sure BOEM was hearing the voices of our fishermen, tribes, the public and their broad opposition to their proposal. We also knew that again, BOEM is a federal agency that was going to deploy in federal waters, and we needed to be prepared if we couldn't stop their progression. Governor Brown refused to engage and give the dollars to help facilitate the work needed through Oregon Consensus. It was going to cost around \$20,000.00 dollars. We could have brought in private resources from either industry side, but we did not want any perception that the work was "influenced" by any particular group. Finally, we were able to find a grant through DLCD and the high level work began. Oregon Consensus began working with leaders in the fishing industry, business and community leaders and other stakeholders. The time was tight because there was no way of telling when BOEM was going to move forward and we needed the data before the next legislative session was completed.

The Oregon Consensus Report was delivered in May of 2023. ([CLICK HERE](#)) From the Report, "*Oregon Senator Brock Smith and the Coastal Caucus of the Oregon Legislature asked Oregon Consensus to assess the potential benefits and challenges of a collaborative process for informing community benefit agreements related to floating offshore wind leasing. This initiative was supported by the Department of Land Conservation and Development.*"

Further from the report:

Strong, sustained leadership from a state's agencies, legislature, and governor are helpful.

A commissioner from the California Energy Commission helped organize state agency roles, and state bill AB 525 required the California Energy Commission to create a strategic plan for offshore wind energy development. These two actions provided clearer goals and roles.

Maine's Governor Mills launched an offshore wind energy initiative in 2019 housed out of the Governor's Office of Energy. The collaborative effort developed an Offshore Wind Roadmap that set strategies around economic growth and resiliency, climate change, innovation, fishing and coastal communities, and environment.

The state Consistency Review for a BOEM action under the Coastal Zone Management Act is a strong nexus for Oregon to shape floating offshore wind energy development.

California conducted a consistency review for the wind energy areas before the lease auction. The consistency review made it clear to energy developers the requirements California would apply to energy development, including engagement with environmental justice and local communities, Tribes, fishing groups, and seafood processors.

States can engage with non-governmental interests differently than BOEM can.

Both California and Maine state agencies have invested a lot of their own time forming relationships with fishing groups, Tribes, and coastal communities. Maine had a more formal state-led structure for engagement with groups of stakeholders, California's state-stakeholder engagement was more informal and in 1:1 settings according to interviewees. Engagement does not always change positions, but public comments from the Maine Lobstermen's Association acknowledged the extensive outreach conducted by the State of Maine.

States and public comment influence what BOEM does.

The State of California (and California's congressional delegation) played important roles in identifying where call areas were and negotiating with the Department of Defense on those call areas.

Public comment in California adjusted the bid credit categories from 20 percent for workforce and supply chain and 2.5 percent for lease area impacts to 20 percent for workforce and supply chain, 5 percent for lease area impacts, and a new category at 5 percent for general impacts.

Multi-state cooperation is of interest.

Interviewees from California agencies are interested in coordinating with counterparts in Oregon agencies to support consistency for fishing groups, seafood processors, energy developers, and others.

Maine is participating with NH, MA, RI, CT, NY, NJ, MD, and VA to create a regional fisheries compensation fund to be funded by energy development to have resources for unforeseen impacts of Atlantic wind energy over time.

Process Insights and Recommendations

Oregon Consensus's assessment has revealed that the timing is not yet ripe for a collaborative process to delineate community benefits from offshore wind energy development. We do not recommend a collaborative process on this topic at this time. Especially for Tribes, fishing groups, and seafood processors, the community benefit conversation cannot be disconnected from their efforts to restart the process to locate call areas. These stakeholders regularly mentioned in our interviews that they have a range of broader, unanswered, and significant questions about the potential impacts of offshore wind. These outstanding questions would make it difficult to collaborate solely on addressing community benefits, and would require providing these stakeholders and others with more detailed information to address their other concerns.

Address other process gaps

Beyond community benefits, many interviewees stressed their interest in processes to better engage community and local voices in the discussion around offshore wind in general. Some of those broader process gaps, beyond talking about community benefit agreements, include the need for

- *federal and state government to consult more robustly with Tribes;*
- *basic education about offshore wind impacts and benefits, and where in the process the public's voice can influence decisions;*
- *a venue for the public to ask questions and get those questions answered—whether that requires additional research or just access to existing information;*
- *more robust analysis of possible cumulative impacts and benefits of offshore wind; and*
- *clarity about the State of Oregon's expectations and goals relative to offshore wind development*

Conclusion

The challenge of expanding Oregon's renewable energy capacity, strengthening the economic resilience of coastal communities, and sustaining an environment and fisheries for future generations is significant. That level of potential change requires effective collaborative processes in which leaders and community members can ask important questions, hold difficult conversations, and make tough decisions. Oregon Consensus is not recommending moving forward on a collaborative conversation to form community benefit agreements at this time. But we did hear consistent views on what coastal communities envision for community benefit investments, and we did hear ideas for how future collaboration could support difficult conversations and decisions that need to occur. The assessment offers a timely snapshot of the status of this issue in the state and beyond. It can be a useful tool for Oregon decision-makers, coastal communities, and Oregonians as a whole, and can lend insight into these issues for other states that, like Oregon, are in the early stages of tackling issues around offshore wind energy.

Again, we needed BOEM to engage more with our fishing industry, communities, tribal governments and residents. Not knowing when BOEM might decide to move forward, we again needed the Legislature to engage as we could not leave the engagement to now Governor Kotek alone. So we drafted [SB 678](#) to protect the fishing industry, our communities and residents to make sure there would be a structure for community benefit agreement language in place, a mitigation fund set for displaced fishermen, investments in job training for students and other safeguards, again, so that we did not leave sole negotiating authority with BOEM on these and other important coastal issues with Governor Kotek, if we were not able to stop BOEM and they were to move forward with their leases. Ultimately the bill did not pass because we wanted to fund at least one position within DLCD to be a point of contact with BOEM, the fishing industry, communities, public and other stakeholders, rather than leaving it with Governor Kotek's Office. The democrats refused to fund the \$250,000.00 dollars.

We continued to push back and asked Governor Kotek to engage to help our residents and their communities. She crafted a letter to BOEM in August and we pressed her to request a 60 comment period rather than BOEM's normal 30 day. They agreed, and this was yet again another first. The letter said:

"Dear Director Klein,

Thank you for your letter dated July 10, 2023, and our continued conversations on the feasibility of offshore wind in Oregon.

As my administration develops greater collaboration with community, fishing, and Tribal stakeholders, we see value in developing more transparency around the proposed call areas and BOEM's draft wind energy areas. The BOEM Oregon Intergovernmental Renewable Energy

Task Force last met more than a year ago on February 25, 2022. While we understand that BOEM has met individually with community and Tribal members in the interim, the broader public has not had access to BOEM's proposed analysis of least-conflict wind energy areas, developed over the course of the last 16 months.

To better inform our state and community experts during this pause, my administration requests that BOEM share the draft wind energy areas through a series of public meetings and a Task Force update. To ensure that the public has an opportunity to provide feedback to BOEM on its analysis, we further ask that BOEM provide a 60-day comment period on the draft wind energy areas. We look forward to working closely with your team to develop meaningful opportunities for communities to continue to engage with BOEM on its work to date.

If you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact Governor Kotek's Natural Resources and Climate Advisor, Karin Power.

Remember that I was the Co-Vice Chair of the Joint Committee on Carbon Reduction and then Karin Power was the Co-Chair. I helped lead the effort to stop the democrats from passing Cap & Trade. As I said above, multiple times, in the absence of legislative involvement, the engagement with BOEM would be solely with Governor Kotek. We could not and can not allow that to happen. BOEM did return and held three more public meetings. I was unable to attend as it was during the same time as Legislative Day's in the Capitol.

Also during this work, we were engaging with our federal US Senators and House Members to enlist their support to help stop BOEM from moving forward, or at least slow down their process and have more input from stakeholders and residents. They have sent Multiple letters to the Director of BOEM on this issue.

Congressman Defazio and Senator Wyden stated in a letter dated June 22, 2022:

"We write to express our significant concerns about the siting process for floating offshore wind facilities in federal waters, especially the Calls for Information and Nominations (Calls) off the coast of Oregon, near Coos Bay and Brookings. We urge BOEM to take a thorough, systematic, fully-inclusive, and collaborative approach to ensure that economic, environmental, and safety impacts of floating offshore wind facilities in the Coos Bay and Brookings."

US Senator Merkley stated in a letter to the Director of BOEM on September 22, 2022:

"It is imperative, however, that offshore wind be done right, with the support of the coastal Oregon communities who will be impacted.

The Oregon coast is a unique and special region. The California Current off the Oregon coast comprises some of the most biologically productive waters in the world and the upwelling that occurs there is essential to the environmental health of the open ocean ecosystem. The Oregon coast has not been industrialized in the way that the rest of the country's coasts have.

When I go to coastal communities I hear many concerns about the potential impacts that offshore wind could have on our communities and our ecosystems. Many Oregonians have expressed their openness to offshore wind but they want to understand the impacts that it will have on their coastal communities and fisheries-based economies. Marine scientists, engineers, environmentalists, coastal municipalities, seafood processors, marine suppliers, commercial and recreational fisheries have all reached out to me. We cannot move forward with wind off the coast of Oregon until these important stakeholders feel confident that their needs are being considered."

There was a letter on August 8th of 2023, from US Senator Wyden and Merkley, along with US Congresswomen Hoyle and Bonamici sent a letter to the Director of BOEM that said in part:

"Thank you for instituting a pause on the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM)'s Oregon floating offshore wind leasing process to provide Governor Kotek's administration additional time to consult with stakeholder groups and coastal communities. We write to continue to urge you to make sure all voices are elevated and considered in the planning and analysis phase of the offshore wind leasing process in Oregon."

"In June of 2022, members of the Oregon delegation wrote to BOEM expressing concern that Tribes, coastal communities, and fishing communities had been left out of the initial planning

process. A year later, in June of 2023, the Oregon delegation reiterated many of these same concerns in a letter to BOEM sharing that these communities had not been adequately consulted."

"It is critical that BOEM develops a deep appreciation of all community interests and fully studies every opportunity to reduce conflict with all ocean users before making substantial development decisions."

"We request that you set up three public, in-person meetings in Oregon coastal communities to hear directly from them. During these meetings, we ask that you share information of how input will be evaluated and incorporated, and how participants can be kept engaged and informed throughout the entire planning process."

We stand ready to support all efforts for robust public engagement as BOEM explores the opportunity for wind development off the coast and what that would mean for Oregon's communities."

This is unprecedented! Where our US Congressional delegation is bucking the Biden Administration's 30 gigawatts by 2030 mandate!

As you can see, I personally have put in countless hours in these efforts to stop BOEM, and my Legislative Coastal Caucus colleagues and I are grateful for our fishing industry, tribal government, community leaders and residents support for raising their voices in opposition to BOEM. As you can see in the picture below, all of these efforts have not given us the ultimate result we would like, to stop BOEM altogether, but they have made a dramatic impact on the size of the proposed BOEM call areas. When BOEM first proposed their call areas, we immediately pushed back hard and they removed the one off of Port Orford. With our subsequently collective stakeholder engagement efforts, pushing BOEM to use the NOAA spatial planning tool and your voices, the initial call areas that started at 1,395,840 acres have now been reduced to 219,568 acres. (The blue areas within the outlined call areas in the photo below is now BOEM's proposal) **They are 15.7% of their original size!** It is also my understanding that two developers have already pulled out and chosen not to bid on the leases if BOEM moves forward because of the complexity of the project (nowhere in the world are there any turbines deployed as would be off of Oregon) as well as the significantly reduced areas for deployment because it would not be cost effective. All of this is because of your voice and all of the robust work outlined above!

Ironically, there was a letter sent to Governor Kotek on the 20th (that I received on the 21st) from our great fishermen, processors, suppliers and other stakeholders. In the letter, they reference our work of forcing BOEM to use the spatial planning tools and that of HB 3375 stating, *"The voices of NOAA combined with the detailed feedback from Oregon agencies and the Pacific Fishery Management Council to BOEM clearly demonstrate that much more needs to be understood about the impacts of floating offshore wind before leases are auctioned off."*

Without HB 3375, there would have been no detailed feedback from Oregon agencies to BOEM, with a the emphasis on needing more information on the impacts.

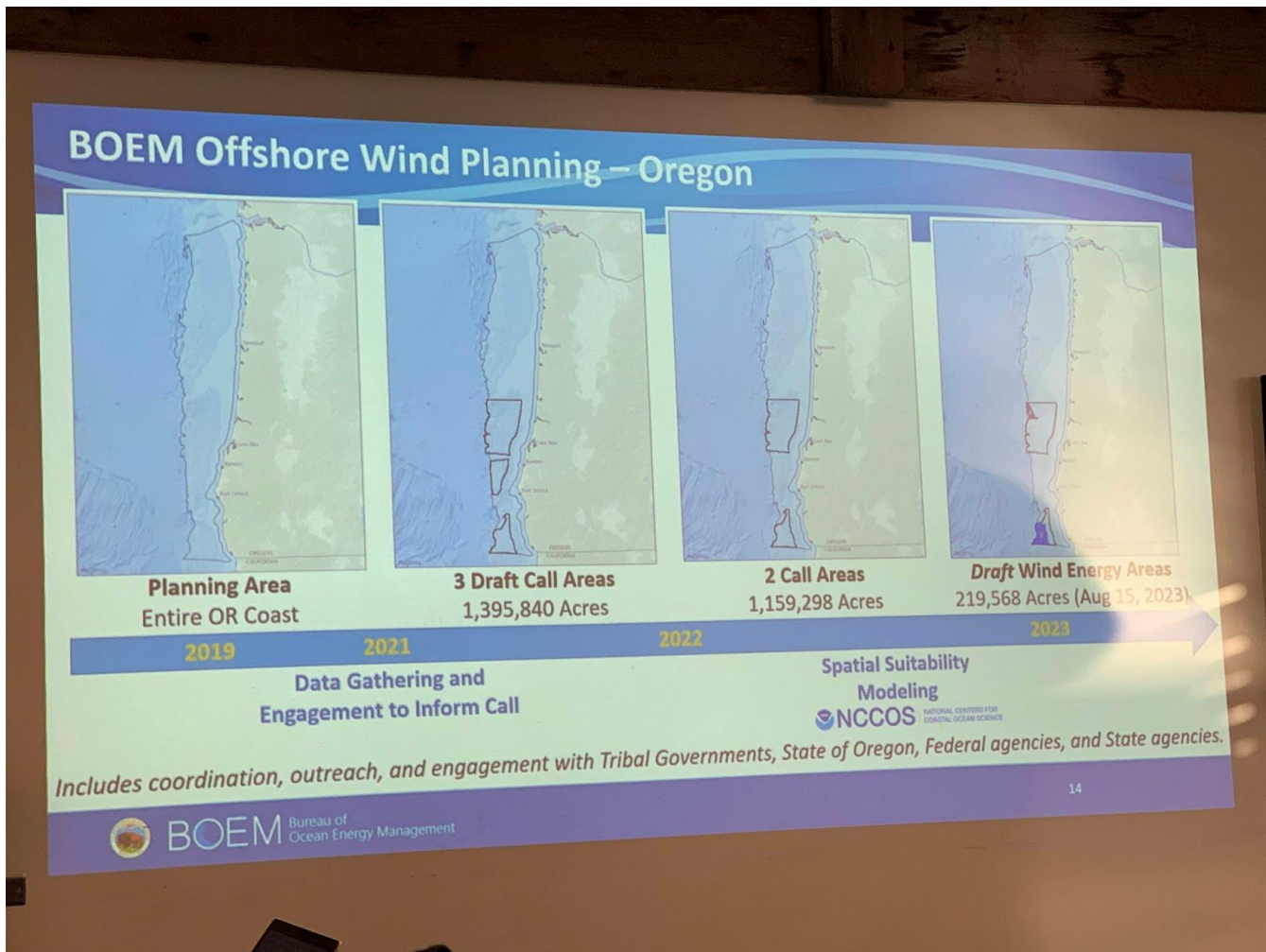
The letter continued to speak about the later work with Oregon Consensus that we worked hard to put together as I explained above, stating, *"At the same time, a diverse group of stakeholders has been convened to consider a roadmap for offshore wind energy development off Oregon. The group is made up of representation from fisheries, environmental organizations, labor, and renewable advocates. The group is in the early stages of convening but shows promise in determining a consensus approach for identifying needed information and high-level principles on how the offshore wind energy siting process should take place off Oregon."*

This collaborative work is critical and my Legislative Coastal Caucus colleagues and I have been engaging our fishermen, ocean users and stakeholders for years!

I also want to thank the County Commissioners of Curry, Coos and Douglas County in my Senate District 1 for their resolutions of opposition as well. We collectively need your continued engagement on this issue! My colleagues in the Oregon Legislative Coastal Caucus need you to stay engaged on this issue with us. Your voices on these issues matter and we will continue to elevate them to the Governor, our Federal Elected Representatives and BOEM.

“Politically” speaking, my Oregon Legislative Coastal Caucus Colleagues and I knew it would have been easier to not draft these needed bills. To have just said “No” as we all have been doing and stayed out of the political crossfire that we knew would come and left engagement with BOEM to Governor Brown and Governor Kotek. (However, we never thought that once explained, someone like Mr. Taylor would just set it aside and publish misinformation about our efforts) However, that would have not been in the best interest of the people of my District, the Oregon Coast, our fishermen, their communities and their families. I’ve been called a “Statesmen” for this work and for my work in helping stop Cap & Trade, among other work in the Legislature. I say, “Thank you, but it was a team effort and I’m grateful for that team and the residents in my district that allow me the honor and privilege to do this work with and for them”.

Again, I explained a lot of this to Mr. Taylor, yet he ignored it and published the misinformation anyway.



I have been called many things in my life, but a coward by Mr. Taylor is laughable. Mr. Taylor doesn’t even understand basic issues as he closed one of his publishing’s with, “*In addition, if all that was not enough to have questions about the actions of DBS. Did you know he is a non-voting member appointed by the Senate President to the Oregon Global Warming Commission?*” Oregon statute mandates that there be a Republican Senator appointed to the Global Warming Commission. Because of my work in stopping Governor Brown and her democrats Cap & Trade, my experience in knowledge on these critical issues, the willingness to take on the extra work for Oregonians, my Senate Republican Caucus Leadership chose me to represent them on the Global Warming Commission.

My work; that I have referenced above and in the links provided below, my engagement in the Oregon Republican Party for decades, my past position as an Assistant Leader in the House Republican Caucus as well as being the former Republican House Member and now the Republican Senate Member appointed to the Oregon Republican Party State Central Committee, clearly outlines my staunch commitment to our Republican conservative values and leadership role

to the same in the state. This work and more is one of the reasons that many of you may remember that I was the ONE Legislator in Oregon that was invited to the White House by President Trump. That invitation was because of my extensive work in these and other areas for Oregon.

I am thoughtful and thorough (as you can see) in my work for the people of Douglas, Coos and Curry Counties in Senate District 1. I do my best, but I am human and make mistakes. Mr. Taylor, Ms. Rich and their supporters that are tearing down Republicans will certainly bring up some of those mistakes. Such as voting to provide feminine products in schools with [HB 3294](#). It passed the House unanimously. Why do you ask? Because we wanted to make sure that young women, who could not afford products at home, would not stay home from school, or be shamed, etc. for having their cycle. None of us would ever think that the democrats would put them in boys restrooms. None of us! As I have an extensive background in public service with local government and was a former longtime school board member, when given the opportunity to correct this wrong, in the '23 Session I drafted a [HB 2167](#) which would have, "Allows public education provider to identify which locations to make tampons and sanitary pads available to students." Unfortunately the democrat majority that controls every aspect of the process did not schedule the bill for a hearing.

Mr. Taylor said, *"DBS claims he votes with his Republican colleagues 70% of the time."* I have no idea what the man is talking about. Just another pineapple express fabrication. I vote with my Republican colleagues constantly. I stand up on the floor and fight for my residents, their communities and the businesses that support them. I am again human and have made mistakes. I am sure this none Republican and their team that want to tear down Republicans and not assist in working together to take back Oregon (for whatever reasons they have, they lost an election or appointment, don't want Republicans to win or are democrats posing as conservatives) will bring up issues from years ago that I have long forgotten as we see thousands of bills a session and kill almost all of the bad ones, without the numbers to do so. I will tell you the real test however. As I have stated above, democrats have the numbers to pass any legislation they want without a Republican vote, except currently we have the numbers to stop them from raising taxes. (This is another reason why it is SO CRITICAL to get more Republicans elected). If I may had a questionable vote, it certainly wasn't the vote to pass the bill. Meaning, the bill was already going to pass and would pass without my vote.

I do everything I can do to engage my constituents and our Republican conservative voices. During the last legislative session, I personally spent between 8-12 hours every weekend during, going over every bill in not only every Senate Committee, but every House Committee, and created a weekly list of Bills of Concern. I created these lists and format to make it as easy as possible for our residents to either sign up to testify in person or remotely, or submit written testimony. This type of outreach, engagement and work to our residents has never (to my knowledge) been done before and I attempted to send it to all of the PCPs within my District. I was grateful that ORP Secretary Perkins did send my weekly Bills of Concern lists to the 36 county party's, and that they sent them to their PCPs. Although this work took a tremendous amount of time, it was extremely helpful to all of us Republican Legislators in the House and the Senate, as we were able to reference their testimony in debating these bad policies in our respective committees and on our respective chamber floors, if the bills made it out of committee. I did saw a lot of testimony from our PCPs in our district and around Oregon and I am grateful for their time and effort to draft and submit their advocacy, as again, having their voices assisted me and my Republican colleagues in raising their voices against legislation during the session. I will continue this work and outreach in the '24 "Short" Legislative Session and as your Senator in the 2025 Legislative Session. I don't recall ever seeing any from Mr. Taylor or Ms. Rich.

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I have also discussed that my and Senator Anderson staying on the floor was a caucus decision, and the number of reasons why, including the work above, keeping the Democrats from using their time for “courtesy’s” to speak towards our denial of quorum, my standing to object when the democrats attempted to be punitive with fines to my Republican colleagues (which made them problematic to implement as it forced a vote without a quorum) etc.. As I have also explained, at the end of every Senate Floor Session, the President gavels out to a date/time certain. This means that, for example, at the end a Monday floor session, he gavels out to Tuesday at 10:00 am. This means he cannot call another floor session until then. Please again understand that Senator Anderson and my presence on the floor still denied quorum and many of the Republican Senators that were absent from the floor, were back in their offices, in committee and working within the Capitol every day. I have also explained that I did NOT provide a quorum for a vote on [HB 2002](#) or [HB 2005](#). If you click on the bills, you can scroll down to “Measure History” and see that I was marked “absent”, and therefore not on the Floor of the Senate.

HB 2002 - *Third reading. Carried by Lieber. Passed. Ayes, 17; Nays, 3--Anderson, Findley, Knopp; Absent, 9--Bonham, Boquist, Hansell, Hayden, Linthicum, Robinson, Smith DB, Thatcher, Weber; Excused, 1--Girod.*

HB 2005 - *Third reading. Carried by Manning Jr. Passed. Ayes, 17; Nays, 3--Anderson, Findley, Knopp; Absent, 9--Bonham, Boquist, Hansell, Hayden, Linthicum, Robinson, Smith DB, Thatcher, Weber; Excused, 1--Girod.*

Additionally, I drafted the -A6, -A7 and -A10 [Amendments](#) to HB 2005. You can read them in the link under “Amendments”.

It is a privilege and honor to work for my constituents of Douglas, Coos, and Curry Counties in Senate District 1, their farms, ranches, businesses, industries and families that make up our communities. The only way to protect them, other than the work my Republican colleagues and I already do, is to elect more Republicans to the Legislature and stop the one party rule of the democrats and their woke agenda.

As we have changed the Coastal Caucus from 2 Republicans and 5 democrats when I came to the legislature in '17, to now having 6 Republicans and 1 democrat, we can do the same statewide! Again, we were less than 4500 votes, over 6 legislative races last cycle, to have the Majority in the Oregon House of Representatives. I have been in the top three of my Republican caucus in raising resources since taking office. I have and will continue to use those resources to assist other Republican candidates in their races. We were able to gain seats and that made a difference, but we can do more.

Finally, I look forward to working with all of you to flip Oregon red. We have a great opportunity with the overreach of the Democrats. People of Oregon are upset with the direction the Democrats have taken this state, and they are upset across our rural and urban areas. If we can unite as Republicans across our district and Oregon, we can take back the Oregon we all love. We must do this for our children, their families, their businesses and their communities.

Please review the information below, especially the conversation with Jen Hamaker, President of ONRI. I appreciate the opportunity she gave me that Mr. Taylor did not, after publishing his misinformation.

I hope I was able to edit this and catch all of my errors.

Be safe and God Bless you, your family and your neighbor.

My Legislative Website

<https://www.oregonlegislature.gov/smithd>

My legislative News & Information

<https://www.oregonlegislature.gov/smithd/Pages/news.aspx>

My YouTube Channel

<https://www.youtube.com/davidbrocksmith>

Conversation with Oregon Natural Resources & Industries President Jen Hamaker regarding recent misinformation

<https://youtu.be/JcDZGzdyCX0>

One example of how I fight for our constituents, along with providing them with bad legislation (toward the bottom) to have their voice heard, which I solely created and has never been done before.

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Remonstrance 1/31/23 Opposition to SB 579, incarcerated felons the right to vote.

<https://youtu.be/OJ6hmPiNpzI>

Ways & Means Presentation on my amendment to stop Cap & Trade

<https://youtu.be/xglBtcNQToS>

Rent Control

<https://youtu.be/CATbwenI9jU>

Best,

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