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## Senate and House Republicans Celebrate Major Victory for Rural Oregon as Wildfire Hazard Map Repeal Advances

**SALEM, Ore.** – Today, the Senate Committee on Natural Resources and Wildfire voted unanimously to advance [Senate Bill 83](#), a crucial step toward repealing the controversial wildfire hazard map and the excessive regulations tied to it.

### Senate and House Republicans release the following statement:

“Today, we’re celebrating with the thousands of Oregonians who have fought for this change. Rural Oregonians raised their voices and demanded action, and as a result, we’re finally seeing real progress. Senate Bill 83 puts power back in the hands of the people, not government bureaucrats. The wildfire hazard map caused fear and uncertainty, burdening families with costly and unfair one-size-fits-all mandates. This bill repeals that mess, empowers people to protect their homes without the threat of government interference, and focuses on practical solutions for wildfire prevention. With this step forward, we’re delivering the change that rural Oregon has long deserved.”

SB 83 empowers local communities to make decisions tailored to their unique needs, enabling them to take effective steps to protect their homes. It also ensures taxpayer dollars are spent where they have the most impact—supporting local efforts like defensible space, forest thinning, and wildfire readiness programs. The measure now moves to the Senate floor for a vote.

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