

OREGON HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

June 16, 2025

Timothy G. Sekerak Chief Clerk of the House State Capitol Building Salem, OR 97301

Dear Chief Clerk Tim Sekerak,

Vote Explanation for House Bill 3336 A- Engrossed

In order to uphold my commitment to my constituents in the Stafford Hamlet and surrounding communities, I voted no on House Bill 3336 -A.

As outlined in my vote explanation on HB 3682 -A, I am gravely concerned about transparency and accessibility when it comes to projects that pose potential environmental and safety risks, like transmission lines and power grids.

This concern is particularly acute in areas like Forest Park and in my own district with the Tonquin Project. The removal of trees in cherished green spaces, vital carbon sinks, is counterproductive to our state's climate goals. While critical, it must not come at the cost of our natural environment and the voices of those who live in it.

While I recognize the need to modernize our transmission infrastructure, I cannot support a bill that enables land condemnation in wildfire-prone areas with no public water access, and that threatens the character and safety of communities I represent.

For these reasons, I respectfully voted No.

Jules Walters

Thank you.

Representative Jules Walters

