

No on #6

The Eugene Commission on the Rights of Women resolves that:

WHEREAS, measure #6 will prohibit the use of state funds for abortion, even in cases of rape, incest, and when the pregnant woman's health is in danger; and

WHEREAS, measure #6 unfairly singles out poor women and their families who depend on our state for health care, and it deprives them of the full range of medical choices available to all other Oregon women; and

WHEREAS, if measure #6 passes, it will result in higher costs to Oregon taxpayers, and will place an even greater burden on the already strained social service resources of Oregon; and

WHEREAS, measure #6 is the first step being taken by a vocal and increasingly violent minority to forbid abortions for all women under any circumstance. Forcing a woman to carry an unwanted pregnancy to term is unjust, costly and repressive.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That the Eugene Commission on the Rights of Women is strongly opposed to Ballot Measure #6.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Eugene Commission on the Rights of Women strongly supports the efforts of both groups and individuals working to protect the right of all Oregon women to choose safe, legal abortion by defeating this regressive ballot measure.

—P.K. Pate, President
Eugene Commission on the Rights of Women

No on #52

Ballot Measure 52 is asking Eugene voters to approve the proposed West Eugene Parkway "along the east/west route preferred by the City Council." The proposal has serious environmental impacts about which voters have not been informed. We must VOTE NO ON 52!

The "parkway" (really a highway) has been proposed to support development of the West Eugene Industrial Area. The area is used for purposes that can be "hazardous, offensive, obnoxious or unsightly" and "... processing [which] usually generates liquid or solid wastes: air pollutants, and other emissions, such as noise, vibration, heat and light..." (Eugene-Springfield Metro Plan II-E-7). With further development of this area, the generation and transportation of these pollutants can only be expected to increase. In addition, the parkway would carry some 30,000 cars a day which would add noxious emissions and litter.

The proposed parkway route lies within the Amazon Flood Plain which means that substantial runoff from heavy rains will wash and disperse more pollutants into the water. When a major flood occurs, this would pose a serious problem for human health and the environment. We should learn from the experience of home owners in Times Beach, Missouri, who had to be evacuated by the federal government

when a flood caused the widespread contamination of the area with dioxin.

Equally important, the route would go only 150 feet from the Bertelson Slough. The Department of Fish and Wildlife described this 19 acre wetland ecosystem, when the Eugene-Springfield Metro Plan was drafted, as follows: "The slough provides wetland habitat to a wide variety of resident and migratory wildlife.... Should the slough be lost, most resident wildlife would perish and the survival of migratory species would be put in jeopardy."

Wetland ecosystems are extremely vital to the ecological integrity of the hydrologic cycle, because they help to filter pollutants and recharge groundwater. The State of Oregon committed itself to protecting wetlands in Goal Five of the Land Conservation and Development Commission; however, there are no management programs for the protection of our few remaining urban wetlands in the Eugene-Springfield Metro Plan.

Evidence of the mismanagement of Bertelson Slough already exists, but does that mean it should be condoned or increased? Or does that mean that it is time for Eugene to protect its wetlands? Oregonians Protecting Our Water is a local political action committee which strongly encourages you to VOTE NO ON 52!

—Neva Hassanein

The Oregon Idea

This July, over a quarter million signatures were turned in to the Secretary of State, successfully qualifying three statewide, anti-nuclear ballot measures for the November ballot.

These measures give an historical opportunity for the citizens of Oregon to decide the future of our state. We could stop nuclear power, nuclear waste and nuclear weapons production through the initiative process, the most democratic forum now available.

Measure 14 closes the Trojan nuclear power plant until the federal government licenses a permanent radioactive waste site. Thirty-five tons of deadly high-level radioactive waste are being stored only one hundred feet from the Columbia River.

Measure 15 requires Teledyne Wah Chang to clean up 3 million cubic feet of low-level radioactive sludge in uncovered, unlined ponds only 400 feet from the Willamette River.

Measure 16 phases out the production of nuclear weapons by 1990 using tax credits.

Locally, nuclear free zone measures have also been added to the Lane County and City of Eugene ballot.

This is an Oregon idea! We would lead the nation by taking control of these dangerous technologies. You can help empower others by getting involved.

Please join us. Call 343-8548 or 343-0565.

Help us to help us all.

—Jack Kapuscinski
David Oaks
Olive Bowers

DeFazio for Congress

by Bill Snyder

Taxes, jobs, the economy. Education, freedom, justice, and the environment. What do they all have in common? Government. Government policy and action that impact all of us as workers, business people, families, and citizens.

The Federal government in particular employs many policies and programs to: regulate the economy, create jobs, manage and develop resources and energy, protect our freedom and administer justice. It is a big and expensive job. It's a job that affects all our lives every day.

Is it possible for these programs and policies of government to be more effective—and less costly? I believe so. But where do we get more effective government? I look to sound and creative leadership from our policy makers and program developers—locally and nationally. In the U.S. Congress, I believe Peter DeFazio will bring us more effective government.

I've known Peter for over 10 years. He is honest, hard working, and courageous. He gets the job done! When I first met Peter, he

was an aid to Congressman Weaver and helping me unravel some government "red tape" affecting my small business. Later, as Lane County Commissioner, Peter demonstrated leadership offering creative solutions to financial and other difficulties faced by a politically diverse Board. Today the County operates like a healthy business, spending only what it "earns." On all issues, local or national, Peter has sought to be informed, and always available to the citizens he serves.

Peter is committed to fairness and teamwork, and also willing to stand up for what is right. Remember WPPSS? As a private citizen Peter led the way to halting construction and saving Northwest citizens millions of dollars. He also stood alone in opposing an ill-conceived local income tax. He has proven himself an effective leader, a person to get the job done efficiently.

Unlike his opponent, Peter knows we can have better defense for less cost. Peter understands the energy issues of the Northwest while his opponent believes we

may possibly need those partially built nuclear plants "someday." Peter prefers the safe and proven alternatives that save us all money.

Peter has proven his support of seniors and women. His opponent does not support equal rights or the right to choose for women. Peter will continue to safeguard and advocate for the rights of seniors, women, children and all citizens.

Join me in voting for someone who will make a difference. Vote for effective government—Peter DeFazio, 4th District, U.S. Congress.



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