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Governor Kate Brown vows cap-and-invest fight not over Despite legislative setback, Brown says all options on the table in 2019

SALEM, Ore. -- Today, Oregon Governor Kate Brown made it crystal clear she is prepared to lead the way forward to bring a cap-and-invest system to Oregon. The program is designed to reduce climate warming greenhouse gas emissions while investing hundreds of millions of dollars in Oregon for a clean energy transition, that will create jobs, prepare communities for climate change, and clean our air. You can see the Governor's statement in [the video here](#).

"Governor Brown affirmed for Oregonians today there is unfinished business in 2019 on climate protection and she intends to use all the tools and powers available to her to finish it. As we head into a season when climate change impacts are most visceral for our state, the Governor can define her legacy by leading Oregon to do our share to combat this global crisis, while growing our economy and cleaning our air here at home," said Tera Hurst, Executive Director of Renew Oregon.

"Governor Brown moves forward with the confidence that thousands of Oregonians, our broad, diverse coalition, and the will of the voters are firmly behind her to do whatever it takes to protect our state from the ravages of climate change, to hold large polluters accountable for their emissions, and invest in communities in all corners of Oregon to make a transition to a clean energy economy."

"The legislature was required to adjourn yesterday, but their business is not done. Our elected officials rose to face many of Oregon's challenges, but not all of them, and perhaps the one with the largest and longest term impact is climate change. This is a priority. It is our moral imperative we do not delay another year. Climate change is an emergency."

"After years of work and considerable inclusion of many viewpoints, the cap-and-invest system designed this year is good for all of Oregon, with considerable accountability for polluters and significant investment to benefit communities across the state, protect them from climate impacts and ease the transition to clean energy. We are excited to move forward with this program because it has something for everyone. That's why there is broad support from Oregon families, workers, businesses, farmers and farmworkers, Tribes, low-income advocates and more."

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Renew Oregon is a clean energy advocacy coalition of businesses and workers, healthcare professionals and parents, farmers and ranchers, faith and community organizations, and individuals coming together to move our state away from polluting energy to a clean energy economy. We are working to create good-paying jobs for all Oregonians, protect air and water from pollution, and help families stay healthy.