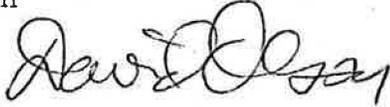


December 20, 1982

TO: Gerry Thompson

FROM: David Olson



RE: Governor's Campaign Promises, from my speech files

Attached is a fairly comprehensive list of promises or statements in the nature of promises made by the Governor over the course of the campaign season. They are alphabetized for quick reference, and some indication of chronology is provided.

This list is comprehensive, rather than quick and dirty, but it is not exhaustive. It includes only statements and/or commitments made by the Governor that appeared in the form of a prepared text or press release. Many 'promises' are very generalized.

It does not include informal statements or promises he made to the press or to an audience as part of Q & A, interviews, or in other unprepared contexts on the campaign trail. It does not, for example, include his extemporaneous statement that he would try not to raise taxes (a statement he made in response to a question at the Eugene Debate, and before the Statesman-Journal Editorial Board in October).

Within its limits, I think this list will be useful for rapid review of relatively 'formal', prepared commitments made by the Governor, both specific and general. Most are general.

Sorry for this somewhat belated reply to your previous request. I did not, in fact, have a 'Campaign Promise List' at hand when you wrote; and I have assembled this in the meantime by carefully delving in all of my files.

cc: Denny Miles

GOVERNOR'S CAMPAIGN PROMISES, May - November, 1982

(from prepared texts, news releases, etc.)

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Governor's Campaign Promises, 1982

1. AFFIRMATIVE ACTION/MINORITIES

"...economic development for jobs and affirmative action for minorities remain top priorities of my administration."
(Article, Human Services Quarterly, July, 1982)

"...the emphasis in the future is to insure a representative workforce in state government, and the right of all Oregonians to employment that reflects their talent and abilities."
(Press release, November, 1982)

2. AGRICULTURE

"...mobilizing Oregon state government to work with agriculture is one of my top priorities as Governor. We will be looking at specific future actions to:

- Keep regulations and regulators off the back of Oregon agriculture;
- Support changes in our land use laws on soil classifications, so that we can allow greater flexibility in zoning for farmers;
- Continue vigorous promotion of our international trade effort for Oregon agriculture products..... ;
- Continue our efforts to reduce the cost of workers' compensation..... ; (and)
- Reduce irrigation power rates.... (.)"

(Response to Valley Farmer Questionnaire, October 1982)

3. ARTS

"(I) support: tax checkoff for the arts....development and marketing of Oregon (handicrafts and) art...strongly support the art showings in my (Ceremonial Office)...as Governor I will continue my strong support of arts into the future..."
(Oregon Advocates for the Arts Conference, October 2, 1982)

4. COASTAL ZONE

" I do not oppose outer continental shelf leasing, as long as the State of Oregon is consulted in advance and our concerns are given proper consideration."
(Lease Revenue Hearings, Coast, September 1, 1982)

5. CRIME/LAW ENFORCEMENT/PRISONS

Crime package, announced 8/24/82:

- "1. I will propose a constitutional amendment to reinstate capital punishment.
2. I will propose a bill to repeal insanity as a defense for violent crime.
3. I will double the current level of funding for the criminal investigation unit of the Oregon State Police.
4. I will propose additional anti-crime funding through Attorney General assistance programs for local prosecutors throughout the state.
5. I will budget money to build more jail cells for criminals who must be confined because they are a menace to society.
6. I am calling on the Superintendent of Public Instruction to launch an educational program on crime in the public schools of Oregon, including special instruction on means by which youth may avoid becoming the victims of crime.
7. I am creating by executive order a Governor's Special Commission Against Violent Crime to make sure this comprehensive anti-crime effort is coordinated around the state, and continues to develop effective measures to catch, convict and lock up criminals. I have called for a report from the Special Commission within 30 days, and at 30-day intervals thereafter."

New Prison bond measure:

"If the Legislature decides to submit another measure to the voters, I will support it..."
(statement, August, 1982)

Special Narcotics Unit in State Police

"I will make an effort to find resources to permit its restoration during the next biennium."
(statement, D.A.'s Assn., July 15, 1982)

Parole concept/Parole Board

"I favor the concept of parole to provide supervision while inmates make the transition back into the community...."
"Retaining the Parole Board, abolishing it, changing its structure or function, or determining the future of the parole concept itself---are matters that will not be resolved until I hear your own preferences and the alternatives you recommend..."
(Speech, D.A.'s Assn., July 15, 1982)

Community Corrections vs. new prison space

"We need both (community corrections and prison space) to maintain a balanced corrections system in Oregon...Community Corrections Program has its place..."
(Speech, D.A.'s, July 15, 1982)

Governor's Campaign Promises, 1982

5. CRIME/LAW ENFORCEMENT/PRISONS, contd.

D.A.'s Legislative Priorities in '83 session

"I support (anti-merger bill, anti-State vs Knowles bill, and bill specifically authorizing courts to impose consecutive sentences)..."

"You have my pledge to work to bolster DA salary supplements in the next session of the legislature..."

(re: HB 2030, 1981 session, which imposed severe restrictions on use of prior criminal convictions for impeachment):

"I renew my pledge to support any effort to remove this limitation in the 1983 session...I stand ready to lend my strong support to any effort to remedy this problem..."

(speech, D.A.'s July 15, 1982)

6. ECONOMY/ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

"My top priority as Governor is returning our economy to health and putting Oregonians back to work."
(issue paper statement, July, 1982)

7. ENERGY

Re: small scale energy project loan program

"I intend to recommend to the 1983 legislature that we can help these kinds of operations through hard economic times by broadening the loan program's eligibility requirements and include conservation loans as well as renewable resource project financing."

(Tualatin Chamber speech, 8/31/82)

8. ENVIRONMENT: DESCHUTES ACQUISITION

"Today's action raises a down payment on our future. Now we have one year to finish a job that will keep an Oregon treasure for generations. ... We cannot and will not let this opportunity slip through our fingers..."

(speech & press release, September 21, 1982)

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9. FISH

"...I offer you (Pacific Fisheries Management Council) my commitment to:

1. enhance our natural spawning stocks through habitat improvement and increased efforts in stream production, in part through the use of the STEP program;
2. continue vigorous support of the Northwest Power Planning Council's Columbia River Plan....;
3. make continued strong personal efforts with Congress to develop a stable funding source for the Columbia and Snake River hatcheries;
4. increase my budget for programs that improve hatchery fish survival;
5. reschedule, where appropriate, hatchery production on the Columbia River that will improve both the quality and quantity of fishing opportunities for all users; and,
6. establish a fair catch rate for aquaculture fish that clarifies the private hatchery role in Oregon's system."

(speech to PFMC, September 29, 1982)

10. FOREST PRODUCTS INDUSTRY

Governor's forest products proposals; AOI; September 18, 1982:

1. Seek federal action to estab timber supply in long term
 - a. work to resolve wilderness designation questions
 - b. seek explicit fed conformance to our forestry program's output & management targets
 - c. aggressively pursue a timber salvage program to keep small, independent loggers at work
 - d. seek a long range, fair forest land tax system
2. Stimulate demand for Oregon wood products in short term
 - a. aggressively promote Or wood products w/ lg volume buyers in natl & internatl markets
 - b. instruct head of Genl Services to purchase Oregon forest products & paper products in every possible instance
 - c. introduce legislation to establish Internatl Forest Products commodity commission
 - d. introduce legislation to establish utilization & mkting section within OR dept of forestry
 - e. Make immediate contact & followup contact with Dept of Defense, Secretary of Army, & CEOs of western railroads to encourage immediate purchase of Or wood & paper products

FOREST PRODUCTS INDUSTRY, contd.

3. Bring together resources to upgrade productivity & manufacturing capability in OR mills
 - a. work w/ Chancellor to enhance Forest Products Research Lab at OSU
 - b. work w/ Chancellor to create model programs at U of O School of Business Administration to focus on foreign markets & financial planning needs of timber industry
 - c. Push to see Or Dept Forestry take over Sawmill Improvement program of U.S Forest Service so our efforts are pooled
 - d. Ask legislature to increase state tax credits for reforestation, add an investment tax credit for sawmill improvement studies
4. establish Skilled Workers Pool to put Oregonians back to work
 - a. immediately seek a partnership program among govt, labor, and industry to upgrade skills to meet new demand...
 - b. I will put resources of Employment Div & DEcDev to work with community colleges
 - c. I will work with Adm of Employment Div on a Skill Maintenance Program with a goal of hiring as many workers as possible for intensive management projects, primarily in state forests

11. HIGHER EDUCATION

" ...I will propose in my 83-85 budget another \$1 million for hi-tech education...I expect it to be matched by \$1 million from industry..." ***

(Press Conference, 8/12/82)

*** (Note: Tektronix has since announced a \$3.5 million gift for hi-tech programs in higher education)

12. HOUSING

" We are seeking to influence the policies we cannot control directly, and we are taking action on every possible matter within our direct control...we intend to work closely with you in an atmosphere of consultation and cooperation..."

(Speech to Realtors, June 1982; Homebuilders, July 1982)

13. INSURANCE (& SAIF)

Continuing education: "I want those requirements continued... I will work to make sure they are not diluted or impaired during Sunset Review..."(Oregon Life Underwriters, 7/22/82)

Cost shifting: "I pledge to make certain that Medicaid will close the gap and reduce pressure on your insurance plans..."(7/22)

Mandated benefits: "I will look very closely at any future mandated benefits...we may have reached if not exceeded the limit of insurance benefits that the state should legally require of carriers..." (OLU, 7/22/82)

Unisex rates: "I will not and cannot support or approve any legislation calling for unisex rates..." (OLU, 7/22/82)

SAIF: "I will be watching SAIF scrupulously to guard against monopoly and make sure it doesn't exceed a fair share of the marketplace..." (Professional Insurance Agents, 5/23/82)

Revocation: "expiration rather than revocation (may be preferable) for insurance agents who fail to meet continuing education requirements..."

(speech, Oregon Life Underwriters, July 22, 1982)

SAIF Assessment:

"The one-time assessment of SAIF is just that: one time. If any future effort is made to impose a similar obligation on SAIF, I will fight to see it go down to defeat...if legislation is passed...I will veto such legislation..."

(Speech to Special Session, September 3, 1982)

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14. INTERNATIONAL TRADE

"Our international trade effort will continue vigorously... international trade is central to my economic strategy..."
(Speech, October 19, 1982)

15. LABOR ISSUES

"I oppose right to work laws, and will not support them any time in the future."
(Speech, AFL-CIO, June 28, 1982)

Labor Education and Research Center, University of Oregon:
"The Governor pledges his continuing support for the work of the Center."
(Speech, Gerry Thompson, August 13, 1982)

16. LAND USE PLANNING

"I support statewide land use planning in Oregon...I am aware that the process, not the program, has at times created unnecessary delays or difficulties... My goal is to improve the process..."
(Press conference, October 6, 1982)

17. PROPERTY TAXES

"The question of dealing with uncontrolled increases in property taxes must be addressed... It must be the first priority of the next regular legislative session, and I will make such a recommendation."
(Governor's Budget Message, 1st 1982 Special Session)

18. RACIAL HARASSMENT

(Re: Lane County District Court ruling on unconstitutionality)
"I will not allow this ruling to go unchallenged. We cannot afford to compromise the merits and objectives of a law designed to punish specific acts of bigotry and discrimination."
(Press release, September 16, 1982)

19. SCHOOLS (BASIC SCHOOL SUPPORT)

"I will continue to hold the line in state budgets on basic school support..."

(Speech, Oregon School Employees Association, August 15, 1982)

20. SALES TAX

"...I'm not supportive of it. My basic thinking is that we as taxpayers really ought to know what taxes we pay. That then keeps the pressure on elected officials not to spend money. With a sales tax, you really don't know how much tax you pay. That's where I'm coming from. I'll bet you that there isn't a person who keeps track of all the sales tax he pays. But you surely know on income tax and you get kind of angry about it..."

(Interview, Oregon Magazine, May, 1982)

21. SMALL BUSINESS

"...I will continue to press forward with the reforms we have made, I will continue to work with small businesses in searching for further solutions, and I will continue to honor my longstanding relationship to small business as a Governor that small business can trust."

(Issue Paper, July, 1982)

22. WOMEN/ERA

"I reaffirm (my) endorsement (of the ERA) today... I strongly support beginning the (federal) process once again to assure that (the ERA) is approved... and I strongly back repassage of the ERA when the Oregon Legislature reconvenes in January."

(Remarks, ERA Rally, June 30, 1982)