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Addressing the issues concerning what to do with excess medical marijuana has become an unnecessary point of contention. As we approach this year we are acknowledging that we have established an active and working tracking system for the medical program. This program has farmers tracking their progress through out the growing seasons; plant count; flowering/non flowering, product; usable/non useable, and seed. We have established a system that people are using, are comfortable with and is working. Now that we have established a way to get medical growers actively involved in tracking their inventory we are faced with what to do with it.

The answer to this question is simple, allow them to sell it into the current system in place. With a minor software development and a minimal fee of \$50 for the development and operating costs of this software; or of the company that does transfer, which can be a public or private entity. We can allow medical producers to transfer their excess product into the current cannabis market place easily, safely and with out disruption. This system would be a simple and easy solution to the medical surplus issues, as well as, the reporting issues. Medical producers are not non compliant farmers, they are small farmers and small farmers need to be protected and represented. These are people growing for their friends, families and communities. They have no desire to operate in a large scale system, but do want to be compliant. This is why farmers markets were created to preserve small farming to give it a market place. We need to honor and preserve this industry and culture and give it a place to express itself. The medical marijuana system represents Oregon's people, community and roots. Oregon's medical marijuana system is a pure representation of community based agriculture and healthcare. We need to have a safe, free system for our citizens, ourselves and our country. Over regulation of this system will not reduce black market sales, it will encourage it. Revolt comes from drastic change and unstable legislation, it scares people, we need gradual change and easy forms of conformity. At the end of the day

people will do what they want, why not give them a safe easy option to help support their state and one another.

Thank you for your time Courtney Zehring

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