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Certain chemicals are vital for farmers to produce pest free crops. One of those vital chemicals is chlorpyrifos. There is no alternative for the control of certain pests. It is vital for chlorpyrifos to be legal to use in specialty crops.

With the withdrawal of chlorpyrifos from the market, public health programs will not have the tools to control the invasive species act. Other countries have strong phyto-sanitary requirements.

Please do not regulate away chemicals that are necessary for farmers. Scientists should be the ones who make decisions on the use of vital chemicals. Farmers in Oregon should be on an equal playing field with farmers in other states and countries.

Thank you,
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