

From: [Thurston Inglis](#)
To: [SENR Exhibits](#)
Subject: Oppose Costly Cap-and-Trade in SB 1530
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Dear Chair Dembrow,

I am a rancher in Harney County and I write to you today to ask you to oppose SB 1530. The additional cost of fuel, propane and the trickle down effect on other costs related to transportation, i.e. hay cost could increase by \$20.00 per ton. These increased costs will amount to over a 15% increase in my operating budget, of which I will have to absorb. As a commodity base industry I have no way to pass on these increased cost. No small business can absorb that kind of increase. I am at the time in my life where I would like to retire and pass my ranch on to a young family, but with this burdensome bill, no young beginning rancher will be able to stay in the business. Oregon small family ranchers produce the safest food in the country, if you want Oregonian's to have to buy there food for large corporate farms or worst yet from foreign country's then this is a step towards that. I urge you to oppose SB 1530. Oregon's ranch families can't afford this policy.

Thank you for listening to my concerns and voting "no" in 2020.

Sincerely,

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