

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

I am a farmer in Josephine County, my only source of income is from farming. I am also the president of the Josephine County Farm Bureau. The cost of SB1530 in increased fuel prices alone would amount to \$5,480 dollars, on my farm. That would be an 11% tax on my net income for each of the last 2 years. This would affect other farmers in my area the same way or worse. I encourage you to not support SB 1530. Hemp farming has become the single largest commodity grown in Josephine County in many years, bringing idled land into production and helping existing farmers to make a living. One of the largest expenses is drying the crop which uses natural gas or propane. As the price of Hemp goes down and the tax goes up on gas this will not be a profitable crop to grow. Once again I urge you to not support SB 1530

Sincerely,

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