

Dear Chair Dembrow,

Sustainability is one of the central goals of this bill, but it will have the opposite effect for small farms. Small, local farms have been replaced by large farms over the years, and this bill will likely wipe out the last of the small Oregon farms in existence. By supporting this bill, we are supporting only large farms, which may be forced into monocropping systems. This means a low diversity of local food, depleted soil health, and fewer organic options, as organic farms are most effective at relatively small scales.

Sincerely,

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