Hello

I am writing in support of HB 4019, to ban aerial sprays and phaseout chlorpyrifos in Oregon.

My name is Rhianna Simes, and I live in Phoenix, Oregon with my two young children, ages 2 and 4. We live right next to a pear orchard, and we often feel afraid of what they are spraying in their field. I have seen them using air blasts, which often makes the chemicals they are using drift onto my property. I feel so concerned about the impacts of this drift, that my children and I run inside when we hear their tractors going. It is very scary.

Please support HB 4019, to ban aerial sprays and phaseout chlorpyrifos in Oregon. Rural communities across the state are concerned about the environmental and human health impacts of this chemical.

Thank you for your support of this ban.

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