

I support:

- * WIC allowing organic produce (at stores, Farmers Markets and farms) to be purchased

- * the OSU Extension Service shifting funding to organic positions and to the Center for Small Farms

- *the ODA shifting positions toward organic

- * the Oregon Business Economic Development conducting a comprehensive economic analysis of the organic sector

BECAUSE

- * Plentiful organic food needs to be available to me and everyone else so we can eat quality food

- * Organic farmers need to be supported because of such farming benefits the soil, it sequesters carbon that impacts climate, it benefits human health on the farm and at the table, and it protects insects which have plummeting populations for many types including butterflies and pollinators

- * Our agricultural system including government and universities/extension have been biased toward chemical agriculture, to the detriment of the environment and small farmers, for too long through institutional biases (programmatic favoritism and subsidies/funding/programs).