

After much study and understanding for the past few years, I have reached the conclusion it is crucial we begin a process that allows all of us to truly take a grasp on the devastating consequences of expanding the dairy industry. And not only the expansion of this industry, but the effects of the industry as it is now on the health and well-being of our precious ecosystems. The truth is, our planet is experiencing a massive and ongoing demise of global ecosystems, with all the myriad of incredible lifeforms that comprise them, and this is in an incontrovertible fact, as well as a truly tragic and incredibly negative event. If we focus on our own small piece of land here in the state of Oregon, we are indeed tackling this issue from the inside out. I believe in America and what we stand for, and I am certain that Oregon can once more serve as an example for the rest of our nation. If America does the right thing, that's the right path because we can indeed be of positive and beneficial influence for the world. We must start thinking about what to do to reverse the massive damage we have caused to our lands.