

My name is Marlene Meyer. My husband and I farm in Marion and Linn counties. I am opposed to the HB 4002. Our farm has 3 full time employees and relies on seasonal help to get us through harvest. Our farm works over time during peak harvest but in the winter months we are only 40 hours a week.

Paying over time shrinks our margins that are already squeezed about as tight as it can be this year with the increased costs. We are facing inflation rates and the rising costs of fertilizer and herbicides. Some of our inputs are up 135%.

By implementing paid over time you are putting Oregon agriculture at risk for not being able to compete with other states or countries that have cheaper inputs.

Please oppose HB 4002. This is bad for Oregon family farms and seasonal labor.

Farms are price takers not price makers.

Thank you,
Marlene Meyer