



Natural Resources Subcommittee of Joint Committee on Ways and Means
Oregon State Capitol
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Co-Chairs Dembrow and Pham and members of the Natural Resources Subcommittee of Ways and Means:

I am writing on behalf of Oregon Climate and Agriculture Network in support in support of the Climate Action Package (HB 3409) and the Natural Climate Solutions Bill, which is included in the Package.

As you will see in the list attached to this testimony, *over 50 farms and ranches from across the state have endorsed the Natural Climate Solutions Bill.*

Oregon's farmers and ranchers are experiencing the impacts of climate change with drought, extreme heat, floods and wildfires. At the same time, farmers have an important role to play in mitigating climate change. Agricultural practices with the potential to sequester carbon include: cover cropping, no till and reduced tillage, rotational grazing, silvopasture, riparian plantings, hedgerows, and other agroforestry practices.

Farmers who want to make changes in their practices to mitigate and be more resilient to climate change need support. The Natural Climate Solutions Bill provides funding and direction to the state to provide financial incentives and technical assistance system to support farmers and ranchers. The Bill would provide needed resources for farmers and ranchers who are ready to be part of the solution to the problem of a changing climate.

Legislative action to fully fund and pass the Climate Package will be key to leveraging historic federal investments available from the Inflation Reduction Act funding for climate-smart land management practices.

Thank you for voting in support of Climate Package including the Natural Climate Solutions Bill.

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Over 50 Farms and Ranches in Support of SB 530

2FoxFarm, Rickreall
6 Ranch, Enterprise
Agency Ranch, Chiloquin
Belle Mare Farm, Willamina
Bethel Heights Vineyard, Salem
Black Tansy Farm, Springfield
Blue Raven Farm, Amity
Bunchgrass Land & Livestock, Union
Campfire Farms, Mulino
CAMPO, Hillsboro
Carman Ranch, Wallowa
Clearview Heritage Farm, Halsey
Cooper Mountain Vineyards, Beaverton
Deck Family Farm, Junction City
Defrees Ranch, Baker City
Elderberry Wisdom Farm, Salem
Fields Farm, Bend
Fry Family Farm, Medford
Full Cellar Farm, Boring
Good Rain Farm, Portland
Grassward Dairy, Blodgett
Hardy Seeds, Ashland
Hope Well Wine, Sheridan
Horton Road Organics, Blachly
Humming Bee Nursery, Marcola
Knudsen Vineyards, Dundee
La Creole Orchards, Salem
Labishire Homestead Commons, Brooks
Living Earth Farm, Eugene
Middle Mountain Farm, Portland
MoonRidge Farms, Beavercreek
Nella Mae's Farm, Cove
Oak Pond, Noti
Oakhill Organics, Dayton
Oodelally Farm, Central Point
Oshala Farm, Grants Pass
Pandion Farm, Corvallis
PK Pastures, Sweet Home
Pompadour Lavender Farm, Ashland
Rietmann Ranch, Condon
River Bend Farm, Pleasant Hill
Sakari Farms LLC, Bend
Shaniko Wool Company, Maupin
Small is Beautiful, Eugene
Sublime Organics, Sublimity
Sweet Union Farm, Klamath Falls
Thomas Creek Farm, Molalla
Upriver Organics, Leaburg
Wade & Rufener Orchards, The Dalles
Wahl-3 Livestock, Port Orford
White Oak Farm, Williams
Winter Green Farm, Noti