

Our names are Martin & Molly Belshe and we are wheat producer in Sherman County.

We oppose SB 803. We do not have the renewable diesel supply and infrastructure for a fuel transition of this size and magnitude.

This bill would completely phase out petroleum diesel in 7 years, with no plan to address renewable diesel supply and competitiveness challenges.

The Oregon State Legislature has passed a steady stream of regulations and incentives to increase the use of cleaner fuels, leaving this bill unnecessary.

This would be administratively complex and could lead to supply chain issues, as well.

If we were forced to use renewable diesel, we do not have a source to cover our operational needs. The impact of the cost for what we could procure would be prohibitive as well. The result would be many of us producers in Oregon would no longer be able to produce a wheat crop, which would render our cropland and our expensive equipment no longer useful.

WE STRONGLY URGE YOU TO VOTE NO ON SB 803.