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To: [Joint Committee On Semiconductors](#); State Of Oregon

From:

Bryan Semingson

Groveland Orchards 2, LLC

RE: Supporting The Inclusion of Lands in North Hillsboro- Site 64
Supporting the Removal of the Rural Reserve Status of Our Lands
As Per ORS 195.144

Dear Co-Chairs Sollman and Bynum, and Members of the Committee;

We are the owners of parcels of land in area 64 of the Group Mackenzie report to the land task force serving under your Joint Committee. We have become aware recently of the actions being contemplated by Senate Bill 4, which your committee is writing as we speak.

We want to be on the record that:

- We are in favor of our lands and the lands in Area 64 being included in the Urban Growth Boundary as a part of Senate Bill 4.
- We are interested in negotiating in good faith to sell our land for use in the Semiconductor industry. We believe farming and agricultural uses are no longer viable due to the urban influences that we live with every day.
- We are adjacent to the Hillsboro Urban Growth Boundary and have heard testimony that our lands can be developed immediately if we are included in the decision your committee is making. We agree with that and feel the flat and almost 100% usable land we own adjacent to the Sunset Highway is among the very best choices for this important future use.
- We will work with the State of Oregon or the City of Hillsboro in any reasonable way we are able to support this future vision.

We do want to clear the record:

- We have not been approached by the City of Hillsboro, any of the City Staff, or anyone in regard to this matter.
- We have received no notices from the State or your Committee.
- We would have been more engaged if we had been more informed. We are doing so now.
- We believe that Area 64 is the perfect site for inclusion and that within a few days, we will have additional landowners, or neighbors, signed onto this letter or a similar letter showing their support for your work and for our lands to be strongly considered.

Lastly, we support the City of Hillsboro's request for the restrictive Rural Reserve status that was placed over our lands in 2014 when the Grand Bargain was made. Please repeal ORS 195.144 for our lands, so that it can play an important part in Oregon's economic future.

Maps of our lands from your Report and a rough sketch of our lands, jointly well over 120 acres, are attached on the adjoining page.

Very truly yours:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bryan Semingson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a prominent loop at the end.

Bryan Semingson
Groveland Orchards 2, LLC

