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Once again the land speculators and developers want to develop the Langdon "Farm" golf course and surrounding foundation farmlands into a computer chip plant. Tootie Smith just never gives up.

The French Prairie Rural Reserves should remain just that. "For more than 45 years Oregon has maintained a strong policy to protect farmland." In its own Land Use and Right to Farm policy it states:

Open land used for agriculture is a vital natural and economic asset for all the people of the state.

Expansion of urban development in rural areas is a public concern because of the conflicts between farm and urban activities.

Oregon's Statewide Planning Program should continue to slow the use of rural lands instead of giving those lands to money hungry corporations for their selfish use. The CHIP PLANT in question and its "supposed" location will drastically impact the infrastructure, traffic management, and the public roads surrounding the area. This "supposed" location has been acknowledged to be within the urban growth boundary. This area needs to be preserved!

In closing, in 2006, the French Prairie Land Agreement states: "Land use policies should not be violated to benefit one entity or special interest for their financial gain at the expense of the greater good of the region's residents and businesses."

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