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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Natural Resources

Measure: SB85

Dear Chair Golden and Members of the Senate Natural Resources Committee,

My name is Leslie, and I live in Tangent. I support a factory farm moratorium in Oregon. I am writing on behalf of the people and animals who would be negatively impacted by factory farms.

Factory farms drain and pollute Oregon's water resources. Oregon's 11 mega dairies the same amount of water every day as a small city.

In addition to catastrophic manure spills, the sheer amount of manure that factory farms produce often exceeds what crops can absorb. This causes manure runoff into waterways.

Factory farms fuel climate change by releasing harmful and dangerous greenhouse gases, like methane and nitrous oxide. Oregon's 11 mega-dairy facilities produce over 17 million kilograms of methane gas every year – the same as the emissions from 318,000 passenger vehicles

I urge you to vote for SB85 in the 2023 legislative session to protect our climate, environment, rural communities, and family farms.

Sincerely,  
Leslie F.