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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,

Please support SB-85.

This is an opportunity for Oregon to access the best courses of action and the ramifications of allowing more factory farms in this state. It cannot hurt to proceed in a thoughtful manner and take time to study and predict the impacts.

We can try now to make a difference for the animals that will otherwise suffer extreme stress, trauma and pain by living in crowded and filthy spaces with no relief. We can try to make a difference for human workers who will be negatively affected health-wise from respiratory ailments and possibly impacted in other ways by seeing how the animals live.

We can consider how to help protect the environment and quality of life for current and future residents due to pollution created by sewage and greenhouse gas emissions. We can try to lessen the possibility of large farms consuming incredible amounts of water to the detriment of those who depend on the same sources of water.

Thank you and please support this bill.