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Factory farms are cruel to the environment, to the people who live near them, and to animals. Factory farms destroy precious farmland by compacting soil and destroying soil structure.

Factory farm operations also pollute the land they are sited upon and also local waterways and air.

Factory farms are associated with farmworker deaths and abuses.

Factory farms are cruel to animals--they are essentially animal torture operations--and produce meat that is polluted and infested with bacteria, chemicals and parasites. This food is not healthy for people to eat.

Factory farms are carbon emission factories, adding to climate change and negatively impacting Oregon's climate goals.

Conversely, if that same land is given over to family farms--especially regenerative farms with holistically managed animals (<https://savory.global/>), a large number of animals (holistic management promotes large herds) can be raised organically, producing healthy food, and drawing down more carbon than a forest! This is true.

We need to turn the page on factory farms in Oregon and incentivize Holistic Management instead.