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SB 788 would allow lands zoned for exclusive farm use to be used for weddings or events. Weddings and events are not farm uses, so common sense would determine that a business involving these activities should not be allowed in areas zoned exclusively for farming. Such activities can potentially draw large numbers of people, and for that reason and others would likely increase conflicts in the farm zone and make it more difficult for agricultural activities to be carried out on EFU lands. Farming is a very difficult business, and agriculture is a vital Oregon industry. So I oppose any bill like this which would unnecessarily create additional burdens for Oregon farmers, and I hope you do as well. Thank you.