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Dear Oregon State Senate,

Subject: SB 956 - Letter of Support for Heard Farms Solids Handling Expansion

I am writing to express my strong support for funding to expand the solids handling capacity at Heard Farms, a critical partner in managing biosolids for our community. For the past 10 years, Heard Farms has provided a reliable and environmentally responsible solution for our wastewater solids, ensuring compliance with state and federal regulations while supporting sustainable land application practices. However, with their current capacity reaching its limit, investment in infrastructure expansion is essential to continue this vital service.

This funding is crucial for long-term waste management sustainability, enabling us to handle our solids efficiently for the next 20 years. Without this expansion, alternative disposal methods would not only be significantly more costly but could also increase environmental impacts and regulatory challenges. Supporting this project aligns with the state's goals for responsible waste management, resource recovery, and environmental stewardship. I respectfully urge your support for this funding initiative, which will directly benefit municipalities, wastewater treatment facilities, and the broader community by ensuring continued, cost-effective, and sustainable solids management. Please do not hesitate to reach out if additional information is needed.

Thank you for your leadership and commitment to supporting infrastructure improvements that benefit both public health and the environment.

Sincerely,

Monica Stone WWTP Supervisor City of Canby, Oregon