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Chair Lively and Committee Members,
House Committee on Climate, Energy and Environment
900 Court St. NE Salem, Oregon 97301

Support HB 2063 Only if done by DLCD

Dear Chair Lively, Vice Chairs Gamba and Levy and Committee Members,

Jefferson County Farm Bureau is a member of the Oregon Farm Bureau Federation (OFBF). In 1947 our county farm bureau was formed.

As a county farm bureau, we will support HB 2063 only if the Department of Land Conservation and Development coordinates the task force. Please note that **HB 3681 and -1 Amendment** was heard before this committee the other day. If HB 3681-1 Amendment passes this bill is not needed. We do not support HB 3681-1 Amendment.

Please make sure HB 2063 has funding to accompany the work and resources that DLCD will be allocating to staff and complete the legislative directive.

We are not opposed to solar, and have solar in our county. Having the alternative standards and impact test is key when looking at Agrivoltaics. We believe that agrivoltaics systems need to be treated the same as windmills and cell towers and taxed for the non-farm income.

Sincerely,

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