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This bill is the least the law should do to protect and assist local farmers to grow good, fresh food for the community. To penalize a farmer with a huge permit fee of \$3,000 or more in order to use the water from their own well is crazy stupid. Make Oregon Healthy Again!

The cost of a well is about \$20,000! How dare the government turn around and expect to control its use! Water use is NOT a commodity for the rich, elite, massive agriculture giants while small farmers are shut down, it should be the other way around!

Furthermore, if a farmer is growing organic produce they should be given even more water for their extra effort and superior produce. I believe exempt water use is up to 5,000 gallons a day for at home use, it certainly should be the same even if produce is commercially sold! What a ridiculous thing to try and restrict. Vote yes for farmer's water!