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On Behalf Of:
Committee: Senate Committee On Finance and Revenue
Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB1586

To the Senate Committee on Finance and Revenue,

In the face of the deepening climate crisis and the unbridled growth of data centers that are threatening our water supply, food supply, and biodiversity, I urge you not to advance SB1586 which would bring 1700 acres of our best farmland into Hillsboro for industrial uses including data centers. Hillsboro has not demonstrated a need for the land – the city has over 500 undeveloped acres of industrial land in large lots. And there are no studies on how much the sprawl will cost, how we'll pay for it when another bill (HB 4084) would extend tax breaks to these businesses, or how losing this much farmland would harm our second biggest industry - agriculture. Please let this bill die.

Respectfully,
Michaela McCormick