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To the House Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources

I support HB 2427 , The bill that would ban Canola from the Willamette Valley!

Here is the study from OSU that was pointed to and utilized to set up the Willamette Valley as a protected Zone in the first place that Chairman Representative Witt was asking for :

<http://ir.library.oregonstate.edu/xmlui/handle/1957/19981>

The Willamette Valley is a very special state and world resource, as you have heard today in the informational part of the hearing. We have been warned by many growers and seed organizations from around the world (who are watching this situation right now), who have let canola in and then lost their seed cradle. We have one of the last few seed cradles left in the world. The world is depending on us to preserve our seed and maintain its purity. This is not something to risk for a little rotation crop, where there are other possibilities of crop to choose from. We must not let the canola in to the valley. If this is allowed we will destroy our very valuable seed industry in a time when governments are concerned with food security and feeding the world. The decision is very clear.

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