

Greetings,

My name is Shane E Smith. I am a registered voter, farmer and father living in Southern Oregon and my family owns multiple properties in the Willamette Valley from Corvallis to Eugene. I am writing in support of HB 2427. I imagine you will receive many letters and testimonies on both sides of this issue, as it is extremely important for Oregon and beyond. It is my humble opinion, based upon many hours and late nights of research, that the GMO/GE situation is akin to the Midwest Dust Bowl tragedy of the 1930's. Once we allow the GMO/GE crops, backed by international corporations, to dominate the Valley there will be no turning back. The "genie" will be "out of the bottle". I am urging you to support HB 2427 and to exercise some discretion and precautionary foresight in the future of the Willamette Valley and that of our children.

Respectfully,

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