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**From:** TheDude <hobojedi87@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, March 11, 2013 8:39 PM  
**To:** Rancier Racquel  
**Subject:** Regarding SB633

I am opposed to SB 633 which would strip local counties of the right to make important legislative decisions about seed production and saving by our local farmers.

As a farmer and an environmental scientist, I understand the need of farmers to determine the best seed strain for their region and microclimate, and additional legislative blocks will neither help farmers nor will it help the state of Oregon as a whole. Oregon is a state of diverse ecosystems ranging from coastal estuaries to desert shrubland, and the one-size-fits-all model utilized by large agribusinesses will only cause severe ecological degradation and possible famine in the long term.

Local farmers understand the lay of the land better than anyone, so let's keep it that way.

Sincerely,

- Derek Roemer