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From: Peter Gladhart [<mailto:pmglad@viclink.com>]

Sent: Sunday, April 12, 2015 9:35 PM

To: Reiley Beth

Subject: SB 748

Dear Beth,

I am writing to oppose SB 748. Please place my testimony in the written record of the hearing for this bill

This bill is an egregious attempt to gut the system of land use planning that has protected farmers and cities from sprall and mis-use of land for many years. This would give county commissioners who are indifferent or averse to the concept of land use planning and control, lisencc to approve any change presented to them without concern for the greater public good. In Yamhill County where I live, governed by private property rights zealots, we farmers must be constantly on guard against land use decisions whose legal foundations are questionable or non-existent, but which erode the protections of the land use planning system. Often it appears that these decisions are taken with the hope or expectation that they will not be noticed, or that the cost of a legal challenge will be too high for the injured parties.

With a law such as SB748 in place, our county would change overnight, destroying one of the best environments for agriculture in the state.

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