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Chair Clem and members of the House Rural Communities Committee,

I am unable to be at the hearing today but I would like to add my voice to those opposing HB 2666. I am shocked and disappointed that the committee would even bother to give this bill a hearing. What this bill does is truly atrocious, giving carte-blanch to the aggregate industry at the expense of neighboring farmers and landowners who would loose one of their only methods of addressing the real and significant impacts that can occur when aggregate sites are developed in farm zones. It is a fact that less than 3% of the 300+ aggregate applications have been denied. We need additional protections to protect our farmland from destructive mining rather than less.

It is frightful that we are even considering doing this for the 4 large companies (3 of them foreign) that own 90% of the aggregate business in this state. These are businesses that are only interested in their short term bottom line for their stockholders and don't care about the longterm interests of oregonians or the valuable farm land they destroy that is lost to future generations of oregonians.

Thank you for your consideration

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