

HB2894 will be very bad for high value irrigated farm land and ranch land that are near but outside the Metro area.

The major change this bill introduces is to allow cities to skip over undeveloped land within their current boundary if they find that it will be cheaper to sprawl out into nearby agricultural lands. We need to keep the current framework, which encourages cities to fill in the vacant spaces within their boundaries and to expand only when they run out of room. Make no mistake, this bill would undo so much of what is good about the Oregon landscape when our cities stretch along approaching highways and off into areas that can be developed more cheaply.

So please do vote NO on HB2894.

Thank you,
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