I am a 36 year resident of Oregon and I am writing to urge you to vote no on HB2893. This bill would open the door for cities to treat high value irrigated farm land for the purpose of enlarging and expanding the urban growth boundary. While expansion is a necessary eventuality using up prime agricultural land is a very bad choice.

I have seen other states make this mistake. Once prime land is gone it is very difficult to reclaim it once the need becomes profoundly important for feeding us all.

Thank you for listening,

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