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To: [HTP Exhibits](#)
Subject: HB 3231 Westside and French Prairie Tollway Bill House Transportation Policy Committee
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Dear Chairperson and Committee Members

Thankyou for allowing my testimony today. My name is Dave Vanasche 36130 NW Wren Rd Cornelius, Oregon 97113

My wife, my son and I operate Vanasche Farm LLC in Washington County. We are a Century Farm (1896). We farm 2400 acres of owned and leased highvalue farmland in Washington and Yamhill Counties, raising grass seed, clover seed, wheat and hazelnuts.

We are opposed to HB 3231. This bill destroys the credibility of the 50 year Urban- Rural Reserve and Grand Bargain process. This toll road will only bring more development to western Washington County and destroy our agricultural land base and infrastructure. It makes no sense to destroy some of the most productive farmland in the world. This land can raise 220 different crops, in a mild coastal climate, with 35 inches of rain a year. We grow high yielding crops on 80 percent of our farmland with no irrigation.

This bill will destroy our local food and fiber supply!

Sincerely

Dave Vanasche

Vanasche Family Farm