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House Development and Transportation Committee  
Oregon State Capitol  
900 Court Street NE  
Salem, OR 97301

#### **Re: HB 4092 – Opposition Testimony**

Dear Chair McLain and Members of the Committee:

Friends of Marion County is a 501(c)3 farmland protection organization founded in 1998. Our mission is to protect farm and forestland, parks, and open space.

Our organization and its individual members are opposed to HB 4092 and request a “NO” vote since this bill would have a major negative change to our land use system.

There are many reasons we oppose this bill. We will list a few.

1. Friends of Marion County were invited to participate in the Aurora Airport Masterplan. At that time, we expressed our concerns and opposed future development around the airport.
2. HB 4092 is another attempt of the legislature to supersite a development while ignoring the local land-use process.
3. HB 4092 threatens another loss of high-value EFU.
4. HB 4092 encourages others to take this same route of bypassing our land-use laws.

HB 4092 is ill conceived and a real threat to Oregon’s landscape. We therefore request a “NO” vote on this measure.

Thank you for your consideration.

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