From: <u>Elise Higley</u>
To: <u>SENR Exhibits</u>

Subject: LC 19 / SB 1530 – Oregon agriculture in favor of strong climate action

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Greetings,

I'm writing on behalf of Oshala Farm in Applegate/Grants Pass Oregon. We are a 170 acre organic farm growing specialty crops. We are one of the hundreds of Oregon Farms who have signed on to support LC 19 / SB 1530. I'm writing to not only ask for your support on LC 19 / SB 1530 but to be champion for Oregon farmer's desire to be a solution to our climate crisis.

California has already set precedent with their Healthy Soils Program; a successful example of investments in climate-friendly agriculture. \$!8 million a year is going into the Healthy Soils program. As of January 2020, 332 healthy soils projects in over half the counties were funded in California. Let's do the same, if not better in Oregon!

As an organic farm using regenerative practices, we are excited to work with the state's support to be a vehicle towards solving our current climate situation.

Sincerely,

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