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Dear Chair Dembrow,

As a farmer in Oregon, I am deeply concerned about the impact of the costly Cap-and-Trade in SB 1530 on rural farms and ranches.

Our small family farm, established in 1865, has struggled greatly through the generations to become a successful business that supports us, our employee's, their families and the surrounding community. But the burden of projected fuel costs alone squeezes an already tight budget since Farmers are price takers, not price setters in this competitive world market for agricultural goods.

I calculated a first year increase in costs for just fuels and natural gas to be over \$13,000. This is not a burden we can afford. The future increases projected along with the CAT and other rising expenses will not allow us to survive.

The impact on all Farms and Ranches along with rural citizens is a serious threat to our lives.

Oregon farm and ranch families can not afford this policy.

Thank you for your attention to my concerns and vote "NO" in 2020.

Sincerely,

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