

Dear legislators,

I am a family farmer in Malheur county Oregon. I am writing to say the cap and trade bill will add significant costs to my farm. We are struggling to survive the current down trend that has been going on since 2013 in agriculture. Adding \$10,000 of additional cost in fuel may break me. I use \$150,000 of electricity to pump water, of which I am unclear if cap and trade will effect. I have 700kw of solar panels already on my farm trying to reduce that cost and help the environment. Currently I produce 75% of my electricity, but am stopped there by utility regulations. I am already doing my part to reduce my carbon footprint.

I live next to Idaho, and they already have a lower farm input costs due to lower wages, and if we have higher energy costs added, I can't compete with them, and more business will move across the state line, lowering Oregon state revenue, and not helping lower emissions one bit.

Oregon's cap and trade will drive business out of Oregon to other states!! Lets solve carbon emissions by encouraging more solar to be put in voluntarily. Farmers could benefit is utilities would allow greater than 100kw solar installs on their farms. Currently Idaho power limits us to 100Kw per meter. Solar is economical and stand on its own with out subsidies. Let free enterprise run on its own legs without burdensome regulations.

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