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Senator Dembrow; and Members of the Committee

My name is Jeanette Logan, my husband and I live in Morrow County, where we have been wheat growers for over 45 years.

In 2007, I traveled to Salem to testify before the legislature where I expressed concerns that the mega dairy, Three Mile Canyon Farm, would have negative impact on our health, property value, and the community.

I was pleased that the 2007 Legislature took our concerns seriously and set up the Dairy Air Quality Task Force (DAQTF), to investigate the issues that I and others raised about emissions from mega farming operations. While skeptical at first, I was pleased with the work of the DAQTF, as I felt it was a reasonable path forward addressing complex issues.

Now, here we are twelve years later. Since the DAQTF recommendations came out another Mega dairy, Lost Valley Farm, was allowed to proceed without all of the proper permits. This resulted in an absolute mess of mis-management and a blatant disregard for rules and regulations, resulting in a compromised groundwater system. Sadly, the Oregon Department of Agriculture, and the Department of Environmental Quality became almost ineffective.

Enough is enough.

We need a time out on these mega dairies until the State of Oregon can adequately regulate these operations to protect our air and water. We also should be looking at what the economic impact of these dairies on family dairy farmers who are struggling to compete, in what some has described as the worst farm crisis since the 1980's.

Eastside residents of Oregon should have the same access to clean air and water as anyone else in the state. The Legislature needs to get a handle on these mega dairies before our rural communities become over run with more mega messes.

I encourage you to pass SB 103 and call for a moratorium on new mega dairies until policy makers can do their job of making sure that the people who live in our rural communities are protected from the pollution they create.

If Governor Brown and the Legislature wants more dairies without adequate regulation or safeguard, please locate them in Salem, just upwind from the Capital.

Thank you.
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