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Dear Members of the Joint Transportation Committee:

I live in Senate President Peter Courtney's district. I am also a co-owner of a 475 acre farm in Hubbard. Run by my niece, this farm is 104 years old and Oregon's land use laws have protected it from urban sprawl in the past.

I urge this committee to **reject** this bill. This is an attack on agriculture, land use laws, and previous agreements.

First, this SB 413 allows any tollway to go through rural reserves. Rural reserves have been agreed to by Washington, Clackamas, and Multnomah counties, Metro, **and the state of Oregon**. Rural Reserves protect an agricultural treasure and economic powerhouse. We should not discard previous agreements through this tricky maneuver in the guise of a bill.

Second, this method of creating a tollway district could be used anywhere in the state! This just creates a whole new layer of government. We have a transportation planning system.

Third, this is an attempt to override our land use system. It is a system that has allowed us to keep family owned farms and to keep the beauty of Oregon. It protects us all.

Fourth, we need our agriculture and we need to keep large blocks of agricultural land protected. We honestly don't know how climate change will affect our future, but we do know that we will always have to eat to survive.

Please vote NO! on SB 413

Thank you

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