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To: [SENR Exhibits](#)
Subject: Oppose Costly Cap-and-Trade in SB 1530
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Dear Chair Dembrow,

I urge you to oppose SB 1530 and the -27 amendments. Oregon's farm and ranch families can't afford this policy. The latest amendments penalize farmers and ranchers who live and work on the west side of the state by taxing their fuels in the first years of the program. This tax creates a competitive disadvantage among farmers across county lines. It's bad policy and will lead to economic hardship. Oregon farmers already operate on very thin margins. Cap-and-trade will make us less competitive, and new CAT tax is already doing that! If food and fiber is not produced in Oregon, it will have to be imported from other states (CA) and will result in an increase in carbon. Exactly the opposite of what is needed. Thank you for listening to my concerns and voting "no" on HB 1530 this session.

Sincerely,

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