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Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on SB 1555.

I own farm land in Douglas County and grow plants and vegetables for our local farmers market. I also manage productive hill and irrigated pasture without the addition of chemical fertilizers. I work hard to manage the farm working with nature to improve the soil health.

However many people who move into rural areas have concerns with normal farming practices. The blueberry farm had a protest against the noise created by freeze protect fans, family pets are allowed to chase and attack livestock, people think any spray or application is a health hazard and question the use of irrigation as a waste of water that should be flowing instream.

I discovered the Land Use Laws of Oregon soon after moving to the state. I am amazed thoughtful legislation was passed to protect our wonderful natural resources and move them into the next generation. Any time new uses in EFU are proposed the important protection afforded farm and forest land is changed and diminished.

Please do not move SB 1555 forward.

Thank you again for the opportunity to express my opposition.

Brenda Epp