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Dear Committee Members,

I oppose SB 1513 and ask that it not receive a hearing or be voted down if it does.

This weak bill simply doesn't go far enough to address the significant negative impacts that mega-dairies have on our state. Passing it would give false security that mega-dairy oversight regulation has been solved, and that we can go back to business as usual, paving the way for even more mega-dairies in Oregon.

Mega-dairies, including the proposed Easterday Farms that regulators are currently considering, have no place in Oregon. To pass this bill would be a disservice to the long-term needs of impacted communities, our independent family farmers, and Oregon's air and water to address these problems in a truly substantive and sustainable way.

SB 1513 is a weak half-measure that won't adequately address the mega-dairy crisis. We are past the point of minor regulatory tweaks.

What we really need is a moratorium on new and expanding mega-dairies. A thoughtful analysis of the reforms needed to protect Oregon's environment, communities, and farms requires a complete time-out from the expansion of the mega-dairy industry to achieve the meaningful reforms Oregon needs.

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