

My name is Jacquie Duyck Jones and I am a business owner in Washington County. My Dad (Larry Duyck) and I own Duyck Family Farm LLC.

We strongly oppose the numerous taxes proposed in the -1 amendment to HB 2674 on the working lands community.

Like many, we also have been negatively impacted by COVID-19 and the devastating 2020 wildfires. The agriculture infrastructure in Oregon cannot be sustainable with additional taxes, ESPECIALLY at this time.

The -1 amendment taxes our tires, off-road equipment, and our off-road fuel. Are you aware of how much a combine tire costs? There are NO discounts if/when you buy two! I can't imagine the dollar signs of this tax are worth hurting the agriculture industries in Oregon.

We do not waste fuel. We do not run equipment if it is not needed. We need to be able to afford to take care of our equipment and to take care of our land and crops in order to feed America.

Please focus on the NEEDS of Oregonians.... issues around the COVID-19 response, wildfire recovery, and building back after the February ice storms. Please stop making it harder for small businesses and working people to survive during this time of crisis and recovery.

I urge you to vote 'NO' on the -1 amendment to HB 2674.

It is NOT a priority and NOT what is best for the working lands community and farmers like my Dad and I.