

Dear Members of the Joint Committee on Semiconductors:

My name is Jacqueline Duyck Jones.

I am a 4th generation farmer and co-owner of Duyck Family Farm LLC in Banks, Washington County. Our century family farm is located outside of the UGB but like all agribusinesses, we must travel not only to and from fields but to other necessary services to run our business.

We primarily raise Kotata blackberries, blueberries and grass seed on our farm. Did you know that Oregon leads the nation in the production of cane berries and grass seed? This is because of the cool wet winters, dry warm summers, the SOIL and of course the generations of Oregonians whom have been protecting our finite natural resources.

Commodities like our blackberries, blueberries and turf type grasses are specialty crops. Oregon is a specialty-crop state with 220+ recognized commodities. This is important to note because the specialty crops add tremendous value to the state of Oregon and Counties in which they are grown in providing not only food but economic diversity and opportunity (domestic and export value).

I understand the focus today is land use and semiconductors...

it is obvious but somehow overlooked that without the land base of high-value farmland soils, there WILL be intended consequences for any decisions from this committee on agriculture as an economic driver in Oregon.

PLEASE do not make decisions for Oregon that will thief farmland or ANY land out of the UGB until ALL is "used up" by our elected officials.

If what is left is not "ideal", it is NOT a responsible reason to literally bulldoze through the land use protections and sneakily acquire land for semiconductors NOT already in the urban growth boundary.

I am not opposed to semiconductors but absolutely opposed to legislation abusing the power to push this industry onto land that in effect weakens the agriculture economy and what Oregonians love: local commodities, occupation opportunities, thriving agribusinesses, environmental sustainability, conservation, etc.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Thank you for respecting and valuing Oregon agriculture.

Thank you for participating in the hearings with open minds to listen and learn meticulously before acting.

Thank you for referring to the 1000 Friends of Oregon's written testimony for supportive solutions to create industrial land readiness inside of the UGB.

My Dad and I would be happy to host a visit from this committee to see, touch, hear, smell and potentially taste the reality of Oregon agriculture threatened by poor land use legislation.