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Troon Vineyard is an estate winery and farm in the Applegate Valley, located in Jackson County in southern Oregon. Troon Vineyard is one of thirteen Demeter Biodynamic® farms in Oregon and was the second winery in the world to become Regenerative Organic Certified®. Our achievements have brought international media attention to regenerative agriculture in Oregon.

We would like to express our full support for SB530, the Natural Climate Solutions Bill. A key element of the Regenerative Organic movement is carbon sequestration, which is a requirement for us to achieve certification.

As rural Oregonians and farmers, we are all to aware of the damage that climate change is inflicting on our agriculture and quality of life. We feel strongly that the state legislature should do all it can to promote programs in Oregon that allow the state to contribute its fair share to addressing this crisis. This means not only establishing programs that reduce emissions, as undertaken by state agencies in response to former Governor Brown's Executive Order 20-04, but also programs that promote carbon sequestration in our natural and working lands, meaning forestry that sequesters carbon for much longer, and agriculture that increased soil health by capturing carbon dioxide and storing it as soil organic matter for an extended time period.

I am confident that other wineries and farms would adopt more sustainable management techniques if financial incentives were available to support their doing it and encourage your support for this bill.

Best regards,

Craig Camp General Manager