Submitter: Candi Hedrick

On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Natural Resources

Measure: SB85

Chair Golden and members of the committee:

My name is Candi Hedrick and I am a resident of Lyons, Oregon. I am writing today to show my support for SB 85-1. As an educator, mother, and community member, I am deeply troubled by the proposed massive poultry operations looking to be sited less than two miles from my schools and the impact they will have on the viability of our rural communities.

Our school was founded by farmers, foresters, and residents of Stayton and Sublimity, Oregon. These schools are small, but mighty, and I believe our students deserve to grow in a community free from industrialization, commercialism, and large-scale operations such as those proposed by the chicken farms. The pollution, traffic, and disruption to our small communities by these farms would be irreparable and that is simply not something we should support. Preserving an already fragile environment from these types of industries should be a priority for us as we are the guardians of our children's future. There may be a place for these operations, but the scope and scale is beyond our small towns and the obvious impact should be taken into serious consideration.

Please support SB 85-1.