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My name is Jean Shirkoff and I live in Portland, Oregon.

I am writing today in strong support of a factory farm moratorium in Oregon.

Animals in factory farms suffer immensely , enduring extreme stress and intensive confinement that causes physiological and psychological trauma.

Factory farms fuel climate change by releasing harmful and dangerous greenhouse gas emmissions such as methane and nitrous oxide.

Chickens raised for meat, for example are confined in crowded barns with ammonia filled litter, which leads to ulcerated feet, feather loss, tumors, osteoporosis and bisters.

Factory farming chickens in the US alone produces greenhouse gas emmissions equivalent to keeping 9.9 million gas powered cars oon the road.

Many of Oregon's largest dairy factory farms are in rural Latinx communities, and these communities disproportionally suffer the adverse effects of these factory farms making this an environmental justice issue.

There are many better uses of our land, resources and money than making room for factory farms.