

Submitter: Diane Jacobs

On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Committee On Semiconductors

Measure: SB4

Dear Oregon State Legislature,

I have been an Oregon resident for 21 years. I live in Portland but spend time with my family and community at La Finquita del Buho, a community supported agriculture farm in Hillsboro (Helvetia). This connection to the land and where food is grown is very important to me. Vegetables, fruit, and meat is grown on their land. In 2014 we fought to keep the rural growth boundary from taking farm land. Now we are again fighting to keep farm land from being taken to build semiconductors. Why would cherished farm land be on the table for a site for semiconductor manufacturing? Once farm land is paved over and converted to manufacturing you can't get it back. There are many sites for semiconductor manufacturing INSIDE cities' UGBs throughout Oregon. These sites are cheaper and faster to develop than productive farmland OUTSIDE UGBs. Please do not blow up Oregon's land use laws for the financial windfall of a few landowners outside a UGB.

Thank you for listening.

sincerely,
diane