

For the record my name is Art Poulos. I am a full time farmer in Scio Oregon.

I support SB 85.

This is not the first time I am giving public testimony on this topic.

Evergreen Ranch is being sited next to a school that has been there for 125 years. Irrelevant says the ODA. I don't have a check box for not near schools says Wym Matthews. Neither do we say the DEQ.

So you are telling me that our kids will be breathing in chicken shit at recess. Nothing we can do says the Oregon Department of Education and the Linn County Commissioners.

The operation is going to run our wells dry. Stock watering loophole and exempt well says Water Quality Division. We are working on something someday maybe to address that says the ODA.

They are on a bluff above Thomas Creek and fish are at risk from nitrate runoff. Irrelevant says DEQ. They are a dry operation says the ODA.

But J-S Ranch is on the North Santiam right. And all us locals know that it floods and moves. And when it does that dry operation won't be so dry anymore. Irrelevant says ODA and DEQ.

There is a home for disabled adults 50 feet away. Our church and community center is next door. Irrelevant, IRRELEVANT, irrelevant

We are not irrelevant. Our kids are not irrelevant. This is something you can do something about. We will hold you all responsible when our children get sick, our school closes, our water is undrinkable, and when the fish die.

With extremely large operations come extremely large risks. We expect you to support SB85 to halt permitting of new tier 2's while the ODA, DEQ and you the legislature get your house in order.