

Submitter: Juliete Palenshus
On Behalf Of: UC-VEG
Committee: Senate Committee On Natural Resources
Measure: SB85
Date: 3/13/23

To: Senate Natural Resources Committee

From: Juliete Palenshus

Re: Support for SB 85- the factory farm moratorium bill

Dear Chair Golden, and Members of the Senate Natural Resources Committee,

My name is Juliete and I live in Roseburg, OR.

I am writing to you today in support of a factory farm moratorium in Oregon. We must take action to halt the expansion of factory farming in our state until we have protections in place for the environment, animal welfare, family farms, and frontline communities.

[In this section, share why you care about stopping the expansion of factory farms in Oregon, or how living near factory farms has impacted your life. Include 2-4 of the talking points below from the section(s) that are most important to you. Sample talking points below.

All Oregonians have a right to clean air, water, and food.

This scale of industrial production takes more than its fair share of water resources. We envision Oregon as a place where small family farms enhance rural economic stability and provide the basis for thriving and vibrant rural communities.

Oregonians know that a healthy food system is integral to the wellbeing of our communities, our agriculture, and our state.

Oregonians want community-based agriculture that delivers safe food to all Oregonians.

These facilities come in with a lot of money and take up EFU zoned land and designated High Value Soils. They outbid local, small and midsize farmers and then don't use the land for its intended purpose. You don't need High Value Soils to build a warehouse full of 125,000 chickens, and the compaction/damage to the soil will take decades to undo.

I urge you to vote for SB 85 in the 2023 Legislative Session to protect our small and

midsized socially and ecologically responsible family farms in Oregon.

Sincerely,

Juliete Palenshus
Executive Director
UC-VEG