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SB 1087 is a bill allowing farm cafes on land zoned Exclusive Farm Use (EFU). Oregon cannot keep whittling away at protections for our farm lands. This brings to mind Oregon's race in sacrificing farmland to the semi-conductor industry. Please be aware during the debating process that Oregon's natural resources should not be relegated to a secondary role. I would rather have food to eat, have clean water to drink, and have forests to sequester carbon than fire up my computer, etc. or dine out in an inappropriately situated restaurant.

There are already provisions that allow the sale of food through farm stands, etc, and they are appropriately limited to ensure that the income from food sales is subordinate to income from the sale of farm crops. This proposal is just an excuse to have a restaurant on farmland without tying it to the actual production or sale of crops. Please support our farmlands and oppose this bill.